

Mary Mother of the Church

Parish Council Meeting

May 23rd, 2013

Attendees:

Chair.....	Beth Stevison	Vice Chair.....	Steve Krieger
Secretary.....	John Butcher	Admin & Finance.....	Matt Newbold
Athletic.....	Mark Muehl	Christian Service.....	Bruce/Susan Buerkle
Christian Formation.....	Eileen Carney	Health Ministry.....	Ann Noonan
Evangelization.....	Peggy Dolter	Youth.....	Alyssa Clausen*
Liturgy.....	Mary Jo Hartmann	Social.....	Mike Schmitz
Pastor.....	Msgr Jim Telthorst	Deacon.....	Dick Coffman*
Sr. Assoc. Pastor.....	Fr Jim Brynes*	Dir. Rel. Ed.....	Ed Lewandowski

Newly elected council members: Sue Schulte, Dick Drury, Ryan Clancy, Gary and Wendy Franklin.

*Absent

Beth began the meeting with a prayer at 7:05pm

Matt distributed a 23 page budget proposal and shared that input was provided by Deacon Dick, Claude Leezy, Randy Howe and other members of the Ad Fin. Committee. The budget is balanced and has some reserves. Each commission representative was allowed about 5 min. to study their commissions' entries. Mark questioned the entries for the athletic commission and observed a net negative income which did not represent what had been submitted. It appears the net income for all commissions have a negative number. Matt explained that the budget was prepared with "Shared Accounting" software provided by our archdiocese. It was suggested that a representative from the archdiocese finance dept. be invited to a PC meeting to answer questions. All agreed that this would be beneficial.

Father T. shared news that Father Jim Byrnes was being reassigned as pastor at Cure of Ars Church and that his salary and benefit costs would therefore not hit our budget. Father Jim's reassignment as well as the reassignment of 61 others would take place on or before June 18th. Father Jack Dempsey is a retired priest and he will be living at Mary Mother and assist with some of the duties. Pulpit talks regarding stewardship will take place the 1st weekend in June. Father T suggested that we may alternate the focus of stewardship between financial support and time and talent support year to year.

Matt indicated that the envelope collection is down slightly but that Faith Direct collections were up slightly. Matt explained that "restricted revenue" is money that is directed by the donor. It is uncertain why some of the budget entries are above the line and some are below – this is another question to be asked of the archdiocese finance representative.

Ann asked why the Health Commission lost grant money from the restricted fund previously established. She mentioned that it has been difficult to get an answer over the past several months as the problem was realized late last year. According to Ann, the response she finally received was that the missing money is gone, that the remaining small balance should be folded into the Health Ministry budget and there would

be no more restricted income account for the Health Ministry as a result of “Shared Accounting”. Ann still has concern over this, as does the PC Chair, and is still concerned that there is no specified procedure in place to getting these types of questions answered quickly. She would like the Parish Council to address this in the future.

There was discussion regarding the parish having a “general fund” vs commission based funds. The history of the parish is founded on a premise of “general fund” accounting. Grants or gifts for services performed on behalf of MM should go to the general fund not to the individual commission.

It was motioned to approve the general budget as reflected on pages 1 - 6 that indicates income of \$933,934.00 and expenses of \$860,326.51, leaving a net ordinary income of \$73,607.49 with \$41,307.49 in net income (restricted). This was approved.

There will be no June parish council meeting. The parish council retreat will be Friday Aug. 16th starting at 7pm and Sat. Aug. 17th starting at 8am. A “get acquainted” gathering of the parish council members will take place at Beth Stevison’s house after the Sat. session. Families are welcome.

Minutes for the April PC meeting: 3 minor corrections were made to the April parish council minutes and these will be forwarded by Dick Drury to John Brutcher.

Commission reports:

Liturgy – no report

Youth – Ryan distributed minutes and a schedule of upcoming activities. Ryan’s e-mail address was corrected.

Social – no report

Athletic – Soccer camp with Gus Dattilo and Steve Mauer this summer. Man of Year is Gus Dattilo

Christian Formation: Eileen sent the minutes of the most recent meeting earlier today.

Evangelization: Peggy suggested that council members wear name tags when at church

Health – driving volunteers have come forth to help Marion Hart. Meeting minutes were distributed.

Ad Fin – budget as already presented and discussed

Christian Service - Sue B. indicated that we are still tithing to Habitat for Humanity

Dir. Rel Ed - Ed provided a handout. PSR registrations are going out this week. July 22-26 is Bible school for children. Expect approx. 100 children.

Chair: Steve reported:

- July 14th is the deadline for the August Update.
- Each committee chair has a mail box in the copier room – check it frequently
- Jackie Wilson will speak at the July PC meeting reg. Update articles and deadlines
- Parish Council identification name tags will be placed in each new PC persons mailbox

Pastors comments: Father T reported:

- The deadline to submit a name for Catholic Women's Recognition Award has already expired.
- Fr. T asked when the pictures of the new PC members would be posted. Beth will do this shortly.

Meeting ended with a prayer about 8:50pm. Next PC meeting is Thur. July 25th