

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
(Unofficial Minutes)
March 7, 2019

The March Parish Council Meeting was called to order by president, Jenny Schmidt at 8:04 pm, and the council began in prayer. The minutes from the previous meeting were read by Trisha Sohm, approved by Jan Rabe with corrections and seconded by Mary Schartz.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Property: 4 members met. Kitchen renovations were discussed. The committee fixed some of the doors at church but the committee still needs to fix the doors on the north side. The wind catches the door and breaks the hinges. After Spring Break Mr. Rynerson's class will start working on the pew holders.

Church & Community Affairs: 4 members met. We finalized the plans for the Easter Bake Sale on April 20th. The Easter Bake Sale will be from 8:00-11:00. We are also updating the Funeral Grocery List. We have been running short on plates and cups.

Faith Formation: 6 members met. On March 17th, they are not having Faith Formation but will have Adoration. They will meet on April 14th to finish the video series. The committee talked about having Father Mariano Veliz for the 3 day mission. He was recommended by Tony Frasco. He normally receives \$1500.00 for a 3 day mission but this is negotiable.

Finance: 5 members met. The committee discussed the Parish's financial status compared to previous years. The committee will meet with Father and other parishes to discuss the finance agreement.

General Checking:	\$ 157,391.35
Cemetery Fund:	\$ 34,664.24
Memorial Account:	\$ 40,168.32
Savings/Diocese:	\$ 182,808.80
Total:	\$ 415,032.71

Liturgy: The committee did not meet.

Youth Committee: Totus Tuus has been scheduled and the committee is looking for host families. On April 20th the committee will be having an Easter Egg Hunt and the Easter Bunny will be there for pictures. The Lent books were handed out to the kids on Ash Wednesday.

Old Business: Thank you to everyone who cleaned out the storage room. We do have things for annual city wide garage sale. We would like the religion teachers to look through the crafts and see if they could use them in their religion class.

New Business: We had a request to look at Father's furniture to see if it needs to be updated. Mary Schartz made a motion to approve that Jan Rabe and Morgan Konrade look at Father's furniture and see what needs to be updated. Sue Hampton seconded the motion. Approved 10-0. The property committee is having Guthries come to measure for carpet in the Parish center and Father's house.

Some of the religion teachers were planning on taking their religion class to the movie "Unplanned" but the movie is listed rated R. The student/ adult ratio will determine if they will be able to go to the movie. March 28th is the early release date. The State Council bought tickets and we may get free tickets. We may put a signup sheet in the back of church, to see if anyone else is interested in going to the movie.

Kitchen renovations were discussed. The property committee has the kitchen renovation budgeted out on the flooring, cabinets, counter tops, etc. The renovation is estimated to cost \$30,000. It was suggested we use the funds from the memorial fund because when people give to the memorial they would like it to go to something to show for their money, instead of sitting in the memorial account. Jan Rabe made a motion to approve a projected budget of 30,000 to be taken from the Memorial Account for Kitchen renovations for the first phase. Kali Ackerman seconded the motion. The committee will send a letter to the Bishop for approval and then they can announce the plans at masses. The committee will post the renovation ideas on the St. John's Facebook page and the St John website. They will also post the plans in the back of church and will there will also be an insert to put in the bulletin.

Father's Report: Thank you church and community affairs for helping with the funerals. Penance Services are scheduled for Spearville. Holy Thursday at 7:00. Adoration will be from 9:00 pm until midnight. Good Friday will be held at 3:00 pm. Holy Saturday will be at 8:00 pm. Easter Sunday will be at 8:00 am.

The Stations of the Cross will be at 7:00 pm on Fridays. We will have different groups saying the stations each week..

March 8th – Faith Formation will lead the Stations of the Cross

March 15th- D of I will lead the Stations of the Cross

March 22nd – Knights of Columbus

March 29th – High School Religion Classes

April 5th- Parish Council

April 12th- Father John

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:35pm by Mary Schartz and seconded by Jan Rabe. Father closed the council in prayer. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 4th.

Respectfully submitted,

Council Secretary

Trisha Sohm

(Minutes are unofficial until read and corrected at the next meeting.)