## **Minutes for Parish Council Meeting**

## February 16, 2016

<u>Members Present</u>: Fr. Tony Fortman, Jerry Hanneman, Eric Kaufman, Dale Warnecke, Jan Schroeder, Jane Kaufman, Chris Hoehn, Lisa Meyer, Zach Morman, Amber Ellerbrock, Scott Welch (Finance Committee)

1. The opening prayer was offered by Fr. Tony Fortman.

2. The January meeting minutes were read by the secretary. Motion for approval was made by Brian Schroeder and seconded by Lisa Meyer. The minutes were approved.

3. Capital Campaign update: Pledged - \$689,518 and Paid - \$490,191.

4. We learned that the Finance Council went through the church fiber glassing and painting quote and was able to reduce the work by another \$25,000. The diocese has been contacted for approval to begin work in January 2017, and we are waiting to hear from them. The council members felt that it would be good to have a person who is knowledgeable and familiar with the council's efforts and the work to be done in the church. Eric Kaufman agreed to be the liaison between the Parish Council, Finance Council, and Conrad Schmitt Studios until the work has been completed.

5. The business manager position has been filled. Ashley Duling will begin these duties on 2-29-16.

6. Names of potential candidates for the upcoming Parish Council election were discussed.

7. Some of the original church pews (1888) are still being stored locally. Depending on their condition, it may be possible to use some of them in the Parish Center atrium (Adoration Chapel area). A motion was made to use them in this room, depending on any costs to repair them, by Brian Schroeder and seconded by Dale Warnecke. The motion was approved.

8. Pictures of the canopy used in the Parish Center gym for the Marriage Encounter dinner/dance were shown to the council members. We agreed that it showcased the gym nicely for future receptions and other events.

9. We asked about the Alabama mission trip. Work for the men is still being lined up there. Dale Warnecke made a motion for the parish to pay up to \$2000 for their fuel expenses, and Jan Schroeder seconded that motion. It was approved.

10. A suggestion was given to re-blacktop parts of the parish center parking lot, mainly where the old playground equipment was located and by the cafeteria air condition unit. Also mentioned, was that it may be beneficial to have lines put in for parking and to designate 'no parking' areas. It has been noticed that at times vehicles get parked in, and people drive over the curb in order to get out.

11. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 14 at 8:00 p.m.

12. Closing prayer was done by Fr. Tony.

Respectfully submitted,