

Ss. Joseph and Cabrini Parish Council Minutes

August 4, 2021

The August meeting was called to order by President Greg Ledger at 7:00pm at St. Joseph's Hall. Members present were: Greg Ledger, Paul Fritz, Jeff Ledger, Larry Robison, Carol Robison, Kay Pohren, Marian Milender, and Arlene Fritz. Also present were Fr. Lathrop and Mike Adrian.

An opening prayer was led by Marian Milender.

Arlene Fritz read the minutes of the July meeting. Marian Milender corrected Christian Service/Social Action #5: "Marian Milender reports a homebound/nursing home list will be made up and Father will call them and will then visit if requested." Larry Robison moved to approve the corrected minutes. Marian Milender seconded. Approved.

Committee Reports

Christian Service/Social Action

Marian Milender relayed report for Nancy Anderson. Nancy thanks Carol Robison for her assistance with compiling a "shut-ins" list. Nancy called several people on the list and found that many are receiving Communion.

Family Life

Arlene Fritz reports new phone numbers for Linda Zelinski. A get-well card was signed and sent to Leonard Drish.

Liturgy

Marian Milender reports the upcoming Holy Hour will be held Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 6:30pm at St. Joseph in East Pleasant Plain and will be led by Fr. Lathrop.

Marian reports the choir is very glad to be singing once again. The congregation appreciates their time and talents given for Masses.

Maintenance

The dehumidifier in the kitchen at St. Joseph is no longer working. Marian Milender will get a new one.

Paul Fritz reports on the damaged hickory tree at St. Joseph. Discussion followed.

- 1) Save the tree if possible
- 2) Consult an arborist or Ray Lehn, Iowa DNR District Forester
- 3) Neighboring tree also needs trimmed
- 4) Jeff Ledger will remove broken limb
- 5) Greg Ledger willing to pay for trimming of hickory tree if it can be saved.

Finance

Mike Adrian reviewed the Profit and Loss Budget Performance report for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year End. Income was a little lower than projected but expenses were also lower than projected. Ended the fiscal year with just less than \$3000 more income than expenses.

Mike also presented the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget. Potential sale of the Richland Rectory is not included in the budget. Marian Milender moved to approve the new budget. Larry Robison seconded. Motion approved.

Altar and Rosary

Marian Milender reported for Rosemary Pacha.

- 1) A/R voted not to hold the annual Bazaar this year.
- 2) Rosemary Pacha has offered to still hold the "Apple Booth" fundraiser.
 - a. She will take orders for Carmel Apples, Apple Pie Bars, Apple Cookies, Apple Snack Mix.
 - b. Orders must be placed by September 3.
 - c. Orders will be available for pickup at St. Joseph September 12, after Mass.
- 3) A Harvest Meal for the Parish will be held the second Sunday in November pending COVID pandemic status. Turkey and Ham will be furnished with Pot Luck Dinner.

Old Business

- 1) COVID update from Bishop Zinkula
 - a. Pope Francis says vaccination is not simply a matter of personal health; it is part of our responsibility as Catholics for the common good.
 - b. Vaccination is morally acceptable
 - c. Changes are coming
 - d. Includes site to look at COVID transmission rate by county

Rectory/New Office

Carol Robison moved to relocate the Parish Office from the Richland Rectory to a new office to be constructed in the basement at St. Joseph in East Pleasant Plain. Kay Pohren seconded. Motion carried.

Larry Robison moved to sell the house/rectory in Richland. Kay Pohren seconded. Motion carried.

Two bids were received to build the office at St. Joseph.

- 1) Dan Lamansky from Brighton submitted a complete bid including phone line, power lines, insulated wall, paint, carpet tiles, lighting and securing doors. \$5815.
- 2) Manly Construction from Sigourney submitted a partial bid for the insulated wall, floor tile, and securing doors. Does not include paint, electrical, or lighting. \$5360.
- 3) Paul Fritz moved to accept the Lamansky bid. Marian Milender seconded. Motion carried.

- 4) Fr. Lathrop needs Lamansky Insurance Certificate to submit with Corporate Resolution to Diocese. Paul Fritz will request it from Lamansky.

New Business

- 1) Diocesan survey concerning possible Capital Campaign.
 - a. Includes healthcare for priests
 - b. Retirement
 - c. Funding seminarians
 - d. Town hall meetings in every deanery.
 - e. Please complete the survey honestly and timely.
- 2) Bishop Zinkula is continuing the Rediscover Sunday Survey for a few extra weeks.
- 3) Since there will no Bazaar for income this year, we will again send a letter to parishioners requesting additional support.
- 4) Parish Council Elections are coming up. Need to be approaching potential candidates.

Fr. Lathrop led a closing prayer.

Larry Robison moved to adjourn. Seconded by Paul Fritz. Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.

Next meeting will be at Mother Cabrini Hall on September 8, 2021 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlene Fritz/Paul Fritz