

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Finance Council Meeting Minutes

May 26, 2021

Members Present: Fr. Ryan Harpole, Dcn. Larry Conrad, Bayne Million, John Winstead, and Chris Vowels

Members Absent: Kathryn Kemp and Steve Thornton

Call to Order

Bayne Million, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:54 p.m. with Fr. Ryan Harpole offering the opening prayer.

Review and Approval of Minutes

The first item on the agenda was the review of the minutes from the April 13, 2021 meeting. With no further discussion, John made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Bayne. The Council unanimously approved the minutes.

Review of April Financial Statements

The Council next reviewed the April 2021 financial reports. Regular collections of \$46,578 were up 57.8% from April 2020, with total Parish income up 95.2%. Part of the increase was due to \$10,800 of interest income received from the Diocese. Total expenses in April were 5.9% more than the prior year, resulting in net income of \$19,769 compared to a deficit of \$12,405 last year. While some funds were transferred over from the rental property account to cover RENEW bills, no money has been borrowed from the Diocese to-date.

Following a motion from Chris and a second from John, the Council approved the April financial reports.

RENEW Update

Bayne and Fr. Ryan updated the Finance Council on several aspects of the RENEW Project.

- Restoration Update – Work is still progressing as planned. The tile was purchased for \$22,000, and concrete work at the front of the church will begin soon. The electrical wiring has been run, now just waiting on lighting installation.
- Historic Tax Credits - Hancock Bank agreed to purchase the historic tax credits at 87.5% of the \$223,000. Bayne and Chris will work on the 2021 application process this summer.
- Altar Dedication – The tentative dates for the dedication of the altar by Bishop Medley are either August 21 or September 4 at 10:00 am. The dedication will be live streamed, and the Parish will host celebrations after each Mass that weekend.

Other Business

- The tenants of the rental properties are set to vacate the premises on May 31, 2021
- Fr. Basilio's last Mass and farewell will be the first weekend in June

- A Corpus Christi procession will take place in two weeks
- Reverse raffle on March 19, 2022.
- An over 50 potluck is planned for June 22, 2021
- A reverse raffle fundraiser is set for March 19, 2022

Next Meeting Date

The Finance Council will hold its next meeting on Monday, July 26, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the rectory.

Adjourn

With there being no further discussion, Fr. Ryan adjourned the meeting with a closing prayer at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Chris Vowels
Secretary

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