

**MINUTES**  
**St. Patrick's Church Finance Meeting**  
**Thursday, September 15th, 2022, 6 p.m.**  
**St. Patrick's Rectory**

**Members present:** Jim Moritz, Bonnie Lange, Twila Dettman, Dave Sanger, Tammy Thompson, Fr. Martin, Dave from St. Bridget's

**Members absent:** Mary Sass

Agenda	Minutes/ Discussion	Action Items/Follow-up
Today's meeting was planned to include a rectory walk thru to identify items in need of repair (urgent/immediate), 6 months, 1 year, 5 years, 10 years, etc.	<p>Father Martin started the meeting with a prayer.</p> <p>Dave from St. Bridget was present. St. Mary's finance member was invited but unable to attend tonight's meeting.</p>	
<b>Review Financials</b>	<p>Financial reports were reviewed and no objections were brought forward.</p> <p>It is noted that the parish liabilities and assets have increased \$561,000. This was after a new valuation of reassessed property by the Diocese for insurance coverage. The Church valuation is 3 million and rectory valuation is \$886,000.</p>	
<b>Father has 1 item to discuss</b>	<p>Father recognizes the work that Connie Leete does and all of the responsibilities that she handles. He reports that she is extremely valuable and would like to give her a raise. He proposes an increase in her salary to \$20.00 per hour. This is a decision that needs to be voted on by the Cluster council, but wanted to bring it forward to each finance council for discussion. No objections were made and the committee acknowledges that this pay increase would bring the position inline with other area wages.</p>	<p>There is no opposition to Connie receiving a raise. Father will bring this to the Cluster Council for a vote.</p>

<b>buildings and grounds tour</b>	<p>The committee is returning to regular walkthroughs of the rectory and Church. Tonight's focus is on the rectory. A separate list has been created with the items identified as needing immediate repair, repair in the next six months, one year, etc.</p> <p>It is the desire of the St. Partick finance committee to have finance committee members present at the rectory walkthroughs as expenses of the rectory are allocated to all three parish budgets.</p> <p>The walkthrough revealed an issue with the way the replacement deck was constructed on the South side of the house. There were no supports built under the deck floor at the time of replacement and the deck has warped and slants at an unsafe angle. The deck has pulled away from the door threshold and has caused an uneven drop in height that could cause a hazard entering in and out of the patio door. The trex boards have also warped and are now visibly wavy. The committee feels this will need to be addressed by the Aschbacher company who arranged the work.</p> <p>The committee identified heaved sidewalk and cement pulling away from the house that will need to be remedied. A discussion was held regarding tearing up the side walk on the east side of the house and not replacing the cement. A decision has not been made on this, but it has been identified that replacement of the heaved cement will be expensive and not worthwhile if the drainage issue that caused the cement to heave is not fixed.</p> <p>There were a few bushes and trees in the landscaping around the house that are overgrown and will need to be removed due to overcrowding. One tree on the South side of the house is causing the sidewalk to heave.</p>	<p>Father will make Ron aware of items identified for immediate repair and able to be handled by him.</p> <p>Jim will contact Aschbacher and have the owner come out and look at the deck issue. The committee feels the work is unsatisfactory and needs to be remedied. Dave Sanger and Jim agreed that they could meet with Aschbacher. The other committee members decided they did not need to be present for the meeting.</p>
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Minutes respectfully submitted by Tammy Thompson - Finance Committee member

Dated: 9-15-2022

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