

MINUTES

St. Veronica Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 12, 2018 @ 6:30 P.M.

Nativity of the Lord Parish

Attendees:

X Pastor, Fr. Carmelo Giuffre

X Chairperson – Eric Schmidt

E Christian Formation - Donna Kleczka

E Trustee Treasurer, Ken Widenski

X Trustee Secretary- Mary Thiry

E Human Concerns, Jackie Blackburn

X Lillian Ciske

E Vice Chairperson – Jenny Francis

E Stewardship, Judith Schenk

X Co-Secretary, Co Finance-Liaison-Cindy Sobczak

X Co-Secretary- Phil Schmidt

X Prayer & Worship, Brian Gates

X Co-Finance Liaison – Roger Davis

X Present E Excused A Absent

1. Opening Prayer: Fr. Carmelo
2. Pastor's report
 - Included in joint meeting minutes
3. Approval of minutes
 - Motion to approve: Eric; Second: Brian
4. Approval of Agenda:
 - Added follow up on Fish Fry
 - Motion to approve: Cindy; Second: Eric
5. Old business:
 - Follow up on fish fry: Meeting with Fr. Carmelo has been pushed back.
 - Still going to be a challenge to find someone to take over for Figueroa family once they step down.
 - Large number of volunteers required and time necessary is an obstacle.
6. New Business:
 - New guideline for structure of council meetings: Agenda structure has been updated and streamlined
 - Representative reports: Time limit of 5 minutes per item on agenda (to start) would be added.
 - Can always add more time as needed per item.
 - Trustee update: Mary will be giving periodic updates in regard to her position as trustee.
 - Issue: Sign in front of church: "Fr. Mark Payne Parish Office" is causing confusion – some people come to the office looking for him. Parish council would like to change this to avoid the confusion.
 - Furthermore – this was found to be in violation of an archdiocesan policy (since 2003) – No parishes should name anything after a living priest.
 - Council motions that we should be complying with Archdiocesan policy:

- Motion: Brian; Second Lilian
 - Amendment to the motion: Funds for new appropriate parish office sign. If warranted, look at other appropriate other ways to honor Fr. Mark while following archdiocesan policy: Motion: Roger; Second: Eric
 - Unanimous vote in favor of motions by all present
 - Taste of the Town: Will happen January 26, 5:30 – 9
 - Lots of vendors lined up; tickets sold beginning in December.
 - Will be asking for volunteers
 - Letters will be going out to bring in raffle prizes
 - Fr. Carmelo: Update – Charles is considering retiring from Nativity and staying on at St. Veronica as the bookkeeper.
 - Fr. Carmelo is considering doing catechesis before mass during Lent, as a follow-up to feedback from the liturgical ministers' retreat. Objective would be to explore why we do what we do at mass.
7. Representative reports:
- The only committee to meet this month was Christian Formation.
 - Other committees will meet again this month.
8. Short-term (1-year) goals:
- Will focus more on volunteerism at next meeting, with additional time permitting.
9. Long Term (3-year) Goals:
10. Closing Prayer
- Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Phil Schmidt