

ST. MATTHEW MEN'S CLUB

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Minutes - St. Matthew Men's Club October 3, 2024

Our October meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President Greg Simonson. There were approximately 25 members in attendance. Vice President Steve Lealou opened with a prayer welcoming our Lord's presence and asking for wisdom.

Greg opened the meeting with a brief welcome and thanked all for attending.

The September 5 meeting minutes were approved. Treasurer Bob Olson reported a balance on hand of \$18,038.80 in the Men's Club account. He noted that we have not yet received the bill from Hilly Haven for the golf outing. There is \$3,333.83 in the Dick VanLangendon reserve account. The Treasurer's summary was approved.

Communications: None

Old Business:

- a. Business Cards: New business cards are printed and ready to be spread far and wide. The dates were removed so they could be used from year to year. It was noted that the Men's Club website has been updated and now includes minutes from past meetings. Please see Greg if you would like some cards to hand out.
- b. Pig Roast Recap: The Pig Roast was a very good event despite not being profitable. Some suggestions included having the event as one of our regular meetings; open it up to all Parish members; change the date as there's a lot of other activities happening the first week of September. Overall, it was a nice event for members and their families. We will revisit later decide what we could do to make if financially feasible and recruit new members. Thanks to all that made it happen and those that attended.
- c. Christmas Social: It was decided by the members to keep December 5th as the meeting/social date even though the Packers play that evening. We'll have a short, very short, meeting then enjoy snacks and beverages while watching the game. Details will be decided at the November meeting.
- d. Breakfast w/Santa Sunday, December 8th: Greg received confirmation from the Parish to host the event after both Masses on December 8th. No doughnuts will be served after either Mass to accommodate. Last year was a push financially. This year we'll make more of a promotional effort to build on attendance. We'll try to get announcements in the bulletin earlier and check on having a note sent home with Grace students. Greg noted he will be looking for volunteers. More information on that will be coming.
- e. November Meeting/speaker: Greg noted that the speaker he had hoped would be available is not. Bob Olson mentioned he is working on a speaker.
- f. Post Game Feed Ideas: Consensus was we don't need to rush into anything; however, we do need to be proactive about raising funds to keep financing projects. A subcommittee made up of Rob Atwood, Norb Hockers, Dennis Kostic and Tom Schumacher agreed come up with some ideas and possibly present those at the November meeting.
- g. Item added to agenda – We All Rise: The Men's Club agreed to serve a meal for this group on November 14th. Need enough to serve 49 folks. A motion was made about something then another motion was made to donate up to \$400 for the meal. Motion was seconded and approved. Norb Hockers and Greg Simonson agreed to head up this project.

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New Business:

- a. Easter Event: This item was tabled to a future meeting.
- b. Volunteer Opportunities: Refer to "g" above.

Open Floor/Announcements:

Rob Atwood had an update on the Dick Van memorial Fund: The original plan was to pay due for kids to take Hunter Safety classes. They found out there's way too much red tape with the DNR to make that happen on a timely basis. Rob had a discussion with Mary, Dick's wife, about using the funds to help cover the costs of a Men's Club transportable grill. She thought that would be a very nice gesture. Rob asked for a motion to approve using the funds for the grill. Motion was made, seconded and approved.

Rob Atwood then pointed out that the Officers are not properly following Robert's Rules of Order while presiding over the meetings and that the agenda needs to be revised to properly conform to the rules. Secretary Hutchison asked what's wrong with the current agenda form. Rob noted it needs action items and other verbiage, so we don't run into issues like the one that just happened with the "We All Rise" discussion. He said he would send an example of a real agenda.

Having no further business to tend to, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:07pm.

After adjournment Greg treated the gang to some fantastic shrimp and other snacks.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Hutchison
Secretary

Upcoming Events:

Next Meeting: November 7th , 7pm Parish Gathering Space

December 5th: Christmas Social/Packers watch party

December 8th: Breakfast with Santa after both Masses