

St. Philip/St. Teresa Parish Council Minutes August 17, 2017– St. Philip Parish Hall

Present: Rod DeMartini (chair), Joe Conway, Peg Duffy, Hal McGuirk,, Dolores Novello, Fr. Fergal McGuinness (ex. off.), Kelly McCool (ex. off.), Lou McCann, Marilyn Collins,
Absent: Mary Griffith, Jim Komarek, Edna Irving

Fr. Fergal led the Council in prayer.

The minutes of the July 5, 2017 meeting were approved as submitted with the correction of the cost of crane St. Philips roof repair will be more that \$350. The \$350 is only for moving the crane .

Business

1. Rural Food : Rodney informed the council of a new client survey to be distributed in January or February. Hal McGuirk will fill in as the big cheese for September food distribution.
2. Liturgy Planning: No report. Reported that Mary is supporting lecturers and ministries going forward.
3. Maintenance Report Kelly: Steeple at St Teresa's is moving along. Internal of steeple cleaned of debris and years of dirt. Cross securing rod removed and being sourced. St. Teresa bathroom is to be serviced by HoneyBucket weekly. Hot water on-demand heater in rectory is in the planning stages. **A roof leak in the sacristy at St Philips was repaired.** Painting and painter of interior of rectory was thanked by Fr Fergal. Cost of crane will be shared by St. Teresa and St Philips for upcoming steeple repairs scheduled for the week of September 25.
4. Suggestion of having a finance council member on the parish council. Also a suggestion of having a general meeting of the parishioners.
5. Fr. Fergal reports the budget is in place. The priest gets 40% of salary from the diocese and 60% from the parish. The endowment fund is in the works by the finance committee. Our budget is in balance.
6. Joe Conway reports the Volunteer Survey is being compiled on a spreadsheet and those responding will be called regarding volunteer opportunities. Suggested to make the Volunteer appreciation reception an annual event coinciding with the Feast of the Assumption.
7. Lou McCann reported on the trifolds for Outreach/Volunteer/Ministries and software issues. Give to Fran for software resolution and printing.

8. Reported that the Parish Directory comprises some 140 names and it is believed the total **parish is about 250**. It was proposed to put a note on the website stating that if **anyone listed in the Parish Directory wants a copy of the Parish Directory they are to contact the office**. The more detailed directory is only kept at the office and is for internal use only. There are info cards at the rear of St. Philips church but not at St. Teresa's.
9. Rodney and Lou McCann bid adieu to the council and both were greatly thanked for their years of service to the parish council. Rodney and Lou will be missed.
10. St. Teresa's Ladies Guild Pancake Breakfast is September 3 and Parish Picnic is September 10 and put on by the Parish Council. Diane Merget is chair of the Pancake Breakfast and Edna Irving is chair of the Parish Picnic. Ravioli Luncheon is October 7th.
11. St. Philips Center Island project on back burner. Also signage/wording needs to be addressed for parking lot issues namely unauthorized cars parked during church/hall events and limiting liability while still being a good neighbor to the community.
12. New parish council member search continues. Fr. Fergal has been closing St. Philips in the evening. Reconciliation will be by appointment and to call the office. Sheila Almquist is authorized to have a talk and slideshow on her water project in Africa.

Closing prayer by Fr. Fergal.

NEXT MEETING:
THURSDAY, October 12
10:00 to 11:30pm
St. Philip Parish Hall