

St Rita's Parish Council Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2019
7 PM

Welcome: Parish Council Member in attendance were Fr. Peter DiTomasso, Fr. Christopher Onyeneke, Nathan Bonner, Michael Whiteley, Gary Spegal, Tom Beck, Mike Luttrell, Kevin Bilder, John VanDerCruyssen, Faye Ganoë and Joe Kenney (Finance Committee), Diane Cruttenden (Women's Society) and Marty Schorn (Building Grounds).

Welcome new members, Kevin Bilder (Parish Council) and Joe Kenney (Finance Committee).

Opening Prayer: The meeting was held at St. Rita's house and began with an opening prayer by Fr. Peter DiTomasso

Approval of Minutes: The last meeting was held February 12, 2019 at 7 PM and the meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Committee Reports

Finance

The Cash Summary Analysis for the period ending 3-31-19. Next year's budget is being developed and needs to be submitted to the Diocese on 4-30-19. YTD we have a budget deficit of \$10,686. Next year the Diocese will deduct any shortages from our savings account. We have had successful fundraisers, but weekly donations need to increase to meet the budget. Faye and Joe are researching giving patterns to determine what increases we need to request. Father Peter, The Parish Council and Finance Committee will prepare a communication to be delivered to the Parishioners.

Family Ministry - Father Peter. Transport providers – Always welcome and occasionally needed. Contact Jim Lowrie for more information.

Women's Society – Diane Cruttenden. A Tea will be held on July 14 as part of the 100 Year Anniversary Celebration. e at 2:00 PM. Elaborate decorations are planned as well as a raffle of a commemorative plate. Women from area churches will be invited. There will be no charge. The Society will also be assisting with the dinner, including flowers.

Building and Grounds – Mart Schorn

Snow Removal - There is a need for a new contractor for next season. John and Marty had contacts and were going to reach out to them.

Parking Lot – Parking lot quotes were obtained. One pending, due on 4/25)

Ganoë Paving Inc: \$62,820 (Two phases)

AAA Paving and Excavating: \$90,035 plus \$750 for line painting

- New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co.: \$109,711.25
- It was decided that we would budget \$100,000 for the project. We need to discuss ways to pay for the project, most likely we will need to borrow from the Diocese. Collections will need to be added to help pay the loan.

Old Business/Follow-up

Parish Directory – The photographer had a misunderstanding with the printer. The price was double the quote provided. We still need proofs as soon as a new printer was found. Fr Peter will follow up.

Fundraising Committee – John VanDerCruyssen

- Two fish fries and a crab cake dinner were held during lent. \$1,660 was raised! Another crab cake dinner and a chicken barbeque are planned as the next events . Dates TBD.
- An apparel sale will take place. Parishioners will be able to order jackets, sweatshirts, polos and tees with the St Rita's 100 Anniversary emblem embroidered. Order forms will be in the vestibule.
- Commemorative 100 Anniversary plates will be raffled off at the tea and the dinner.

Security Upgrades – Gary Spegal created a diagram and presented an evacuation plan for the church. A decision is pending as to how and when it will be presenter to the parishioners.

New Business - St Rita's 100th Anniversary:

- Mass at 6:30, followed by dinner at the Lakeside at starting at 7:45-8:00.
- 175 invitations sent out with RSVPs to go to Father Peter.
- Mountain Gate will cater the dinner and the menu includes carved beef, fish, scalloped potatoes, roll, vegetable and salad. Cake will be purchased and paid for by the Women's Society.
- Arrangements are being made for set up, table cloths and various auctions/raffles to assist with the expense.

Closing Prayer - By Father Chris.