

**St. Nicholas Parish Council Meeting
November 2, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Vicki Landwehr. Prayer was said by Father Tom.

Members: Father Tom Olson, Robert Kraemer, Marion Frank, Vicki Landwehr, Mike Kuechle , Dave Stang, Paul Ludwig and Anita Neu Mary Caskey. Absent: John Schutz & Angie Spitzley.

Routine Matters: A motion was made by Mike Kuechle and seconded by Anita Neu to approve September 14th minutes. Motion passed. The meeting agenda was approved on a motion by Dave Stang and seconded Paul Ludwig.

Old Business:

No old business to report.

New Business:

New Parish Council Members: Nominations for council members will be during the weekend of November 28th & 29th and the drawing will be on December 5th & 6th. Vicki Landwehr and John Schutz's terms will be up, but both are eligible to be elected for another term. For parishioners who are unable to attend Mass at St. Nicholas on the weekend of November 28th & 29th are encourage to email their nominations to stnicholas@meltel.net. The email nominations must be in no later than November 29th.

Reports:

Financial Report: The report was given by Father Tom.

September, 2015	Total Income	\$7,767.44	Total Expenses:	\$4,738.61	Net Income:	\$3,028.83
October, 2015	Total Income	\$6,044.75	Total Expenses:	\$11,230.39	Net Income:	-\$5,185.64

The financial reports were approved by Robert Kraemer and seconded by Mary Caskey.

Christian Women and Men's Society:

The next meeting will held on Sunday, December 6th.

Pastor's Comments: Father Tom had the position for a Liturgy Director advertised through the St. Cloud Diocese but so far no response.

Questions and Concerns:

Cemetery Cross and Statues: A concern was brought up regarding the crumbling of the cement under the granite blocks which holds the cross & statues in the cemetery. A cemetery committee meeting will be held to start a process on how to fix the problem.

A council member conducted a survey of some young people on what they think about "church." It was discussed what those young people liked and disliked about church and why. A discussion about what can be done about it followed.

Future Agenda Items:

- A. Cemetery Committee
- B. Parish Dinner
- C. Council Officers Elected

Next Meeting Date: January 18, 2016 at 7:30.

Motion was made Dave Stang and seconded by Mike Kuechle to adjourn the meeting. The meeting closed with a prayer by Father Tom.

Respectfully submitted by Marion Frank