

**St. Nicholas Parish Council Meeting**  
**Monday, July 25th, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Paul Ludwig. Prayer was said by Fr. James Statz and the council members.

**Members present:** Fr. James Statz, Paul Ludwig, Mike Kuechle, Don Dufner, Angie Spitzley, Sue Stommes, Sandy Stang, Anita Neu & Mary Caskey. **Absent:** Roger Utecht.

**Routine Matters:** Sue Stommes made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2017 meeting and Don Dufner seconded it. Mike made a motion to approve the agenda for this meeting and Anita seconded it.

**Old Business:** The tuck pointing on the parish house will be done when the work is done on the church. The soot will be removed from the bricks as well as the fixing of the North and South steps of the church.

**New Business:** LP gas is expected to be about \$.25/gallon higher this year. We use approximately 7000-8000 gallons per year. Last year we spent \$9965.00 on gas. Mike is getting bids for this heating season.

A discussion was held about our parish picnic. Paul will talk to the Parish Life Committee to see if they would like to plan this.

There will be Mass at the Old St. Nicholas Chapel on 8/20/17 at 8am. Please bring a lawn chair. If it rains the Mass will be in St. Nicholas Church. Refreshments will be served after.

The bishop would like to install Fr. James Statz here at St. Nicholas. A date is yet to be determined.

A discussion was held about moving our AED (defibrillator) to another location. It was decided that we should keep it in the North Bell Tower for easy access for the choir, church, or basement. A sign will be ordered to indicate where it is.

**Reports**

**Financial Report:** May, 2017 Total income = \$8,870.62. Total expenses = \$5,038.45. Net income = \$3,832.17  
June, 2017 Total income = \$7,378.85. Total Expenses = \$ 5,530.92. Net Income = \$1,847.93  
Don Dufner approved the financial report and Sue Stommes seconded it.

**Maintenance Committee:** No report

**Christian Women:** No report

**Men's Society:** nothing to report

**Cemetery Committee:** met on 7/10/17. They are looking at rebuilding the area by the cross and statues in the middle of the cemetery. Exposed aggregate will be installed and granite slabs. The hope is to get this done by next year. In September of this year there will be some repairs done to the Old St. Nick Chapel.

**Pastor's Comments:** Fr. James Statz had the council members introduce themselves to him. He is glad to be here.

**Questions/Concerns:** nothing was brought up

**Future agenda items:** automatic debit for church donations, snow removal, gas contract.

**Next meeting date:** Tuesday, September 14, 2017 at 7:30pm in the Parish House.

Motion was made by Sue to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Anita. The meeting was closed with a prayer by Fr. James Statz and Council Members.

Submitted by Sandy Stang, Secretary