

**St. Nicholas Parish Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, March 9, 2020**

Fr Statz opened the meeting with a prayer.

**Routine matters:** Roll call was taken. Present: Denise Gathje, Kelly Bautch, Tom Frank, Elmer Frank, Judi Schreiner, Anita Neu, Jerry Boeckmann, Ken Lutgen, Dave Stang, Fr. Statz, and Parish Secretary Brenda Kraemer. Mary Caskey was excused. A motion was made by Ken Lutgen and seconded by Denise Gathje to accept the minutes from the January 13, 2020 meeting. Motion carried. Anita Neu seconded by Tom Frank to approve the agenda for this meeting.

**Old business:** The annual parish dinner will be held on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church. All parishioners are invited. The bylaws were reviewed and a motion was made by Dave Stang seconded by Ken Lutgen to approve the changes necessary. A revised copy will be available soon on the website.

**New Business:** Ken Lutgen presented the bids for the replacement of the dining room floor. After some discussion, it was decided to table that issue. There were some issues with the bathroom and the kitchen stove and oven during the last funeral. After some discussion, the stove issue was mostly user error. It was decided to have some training on how to light the stove and oven and other items in the kitchen. There was some discussion about the lights in the sanctuary. The lighting seems to dim and new fixtures were discussed. No decision was made.

**Reports:**

**Financial report:** January: Income \$7,593.97 Expenses \$9,895.28= -\$2301.31. February income \$6964.00 expenses \$16,991.23 = -\$10,027.23. Ken Lutgen made a motion, seconded by Denise Gathje to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

**ACC:** Dave Stang gave a report on the February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Check the Parish Website for all the details. Our new name will be revealed on Thursday, April 16 at St Augusta. The next meeting of the ACC is March 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Cemetery:** The finishing touches on the pavers will be done by Memorial Day. The 15 year plan is to plant trees on the North and West property lines. No trees will be removed unless necessary. This is the year for the trees to be trimmed; it will be done later in the summer.

**Maintenance committee:** The septic system will be pumped this spring. The North entrance to the basement will be fixed up after we are sure the water problem is solved.

**Christian Women** did not have a report.

**Men's Society:** The men will lead the Way of the Cross again during Lent.

**Religious Ed:** The Sweetheart dinner went well. First Communion is on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Confirmation will be on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> in St Augusta with our ACC. Brenda is working on grants for materials.

No comments from Fr. Statz.

**Next meeting** is scheduled for Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Parish House.

**Future Agenda items:** new flooring for basement and a review of the Parish dinner.

A motion was made by Elmer Frank seconded by Tom Frank to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Submitted by Judi Schreiner, secretary .