

**Parish Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, January 21, 2021**

Fr. Statz opened with a prayer.

**Routine Matters:** Roll Call was taken. Those present: Judi Schreiner, Tom Frank, Mary Caskey, Denise Gathje, Ken Lutgen, Dave Stang, Jerry Boeckman, Josie Stang, DFF Barb Loughrey and Parish Secretary Brenda Kraemer. Excused were Anita Neu and Paul Ludwig.

A motion was made by Ken Lutgen, seconded by Denise Gathje, to accept the minutes from the last meeting on November 12, 2020. Motion carried. A motion was made by Jerry Boeckman, seconded by Tom Frank, to accept the agenda. Motion Carried.

**Old Business:** The new LED lights are all installed. There are 2 extra lights on hand. Ken Lutgen talked to Cold Spring Carpet. We are now on the schedule for the new flooring in the basement. The current flooring will be taken out by members of the parish to save on labor costs. The council decided to ask for donations from the parishioners. A letter, with a return envelope, will be included with the yearly donation statement.

**New Business:** The council welcomed Josie Stang as a new member. The council held an election of officers. Those elected were President Denise Gathje, Vice president Tom Frank, and Secretary Judi Schreiner. The idea of a bulletin board to be installed in the entry way of the church was discussed. The reason for the board would be to post things that are important and may have not made the bulletin. Jerry Boeckman made a motion, seconded by Tom Frank, to go ahead with that. Motion carried. Ken Lutgen will check with Cold Spring Carpet as to what can be done to make the last step on the altar safer. It was thought maybe some sort of warning strip could be installed. Denise Gathje made a motion, seconded by Josie Stang, to allow Ken to approve what the salesperson suggests. Brenda Kraemer was informed by the State Bank of Cold Spring that the paperwork at the bank needed updating. Brenda had the priest (Fr. Statz), secretary (Brenda Kraemer) and 2 trustees (Ken Lutgen and Mary Caskey) sign it. Brenda will return it to the Bank.

**Reports:**

Financial Report: November Income \$16,179.63 Expenses: \$7,396.85 = \$8762.78. December Income \$26,419.01 Expenses: \$22,714.85 = \$3,704.16. Motion was made by Jerry Boeckmann and seconded by Tom Frank to accept the financial reports. Motion carried.

ACC: Dave Stang reported that ACC is working toward a single council to tend to the spiritual needs of the cluster and each parish will have a council to oversee the other needs of each parish.

Parish Secretary: The new computer is working very well. The donation statements will be mailed the last week in January. It was noted that the financial information in the Parish Directory that was available at the back of Church is incorrect. Both columns were for 2018-2019. It will be updated in the next one.

Cemetery: Nothing new to report.

Christian Women: No new reports

Men's Society: They will have Stations of the Cross again during lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday. Stations will be every Wednesday of Lent at 7:00 pm.

Religious Education: Barb reported that the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders received First Reconciliation at St. Augusta on Jan 16 and the rest of the children will make theirs here on Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. Confirmation will be here in April. Barb is working on getting the Religious Ed. classes going ASAP.

**Future Agenda Items:** 1. The roll of ACC committee 2. Review the constitution and bylaws of the Council. 3. Set a permanent date for future council meetings.

**Next Meeting Date:** March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm in the Church basement.

A motion was made by Denise Gathje and seconded by Dave Stang to adjourn. Motion carried.

Submitted by Judi Schreiner, Secretary