

Parish Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 5, 2018

The meeting was opened with prayer said by council members.

Roll Call: Present: Fr. Statz, Brenda Kraemer, Ken Lutgen, Elmer Frank, Sue Stommes, Mary Caskey, and Sandy Stang. Excused: Don Dufner, Dave Stang, Anita Neu, Roger Utecht, and Kelly Bautch.

Routine Matters: A correction was made to the September 18, 2018 minutes. The parish assisted a family in need with their tuition to St. Boniface School for up to \$1000.00. Additions were made to the agenda: Parish Council Elections, Proposed Budget for 2019, Review of our Bylaws. Sue Stommes approved the minutes and Elmer Frank 2nd it with the correction and additions.

Old business: Brenda got a name from the diocese for EMI Audio in MPLS to look at our sound system in the church. The Diocese will also send some additional businesses that they have worked with. If we are not able to find a solution to correct the quality of the sound from the speakers we will check with EMI Audio on it. They are also going to be doing the sound system for the new church in Melrose.

New business: A rose colored vestment has been purchased for the parish. It was purchased at a reasonable price and looks very nice. Parish council elections will take place in December. There will be pencils and paper in the pews the 1st weekend in December. You can write down your nominations on it. New members will be chosen in mid-December. Roger Utecht's and Sandy Stang's terms are up the end of this year. The budget for next year will be reviewed in early 2019. The council will also take a look at the bylaws and constitution as well.

Reports: Financial Report:

September Income= \$9,438.90 September Expenses= \$13,919.51 Net Income= -\$4,480.61

October Income= \$11,623.71 October Expenses= \$12,970.08 Net Income= -\$1,346.37

Sue Stommes made a motion to approve the report and Mary Caskey 2nd it.

Cemetery Committee: The project is complete. Please remove any flowers from grave sites soon.

Maintenance Committee: Ken Lutgen is getting a bid to paint the louvers on the towers in front of the church.

Christian Women: A breakfast was served the last Sunday in October. It was served family style and was well attended. People liked the new format for the breakfast. Thank you to all who worked at this breakfast.

Religious Ed: On December 19th there will be a re-enactment of the Nativity at Jeff and Jeannie Theis. Everyone is welcome to come to this event. Mass on Christmas Eve will be in St. Nicholas at 7:30pm. Mass on Christmas Day will be in St. Nicholas at 10.00am.

Pastor's comments: There was a combined meeting recently for St. Anne's parish council and St. Nicholas's parish council in regards to the combining of parishes in the future. Suggestions were written up and will be discussed at the next Deanery Meeting on our concerns. More info to come on this issue as we hear more.

Future agenda items: Review of bylaws and constitution of the council
Review of budget for 2019

Next meeting: January 14, 2019

Elmer made a motion to adjourn & Sue Stommes 2nd it.

Respectfully submitted; Sandy Stang, Secretary