

Parish Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday, January 14, 2019

The meeting was opened with a prayer.

**Roll call:** Present: Fr. Statz , Brenda Kraemer, Ken Lutgen, Elmer Frank, Sue Stommes, Mary Caskey, Kelly Bautch, Judi Schreiner, Tom Frank, Don Dufner. Excused: Dave Stang, Anita Neu.

**Routine Matters:** There was one addition to the agenda; the addition of a Church Lock Box. Sue made a motion, seconded by Ken to accept the addition. Motion carried. Sue made a motion to accept the minutes from last meeting seconded by Kelly.

**New business**

**Election:** Don was reelected president, Sue was elected Vice President and Judi elected secretary. The council would like to thank outgoing members Roger Utecht and Sandy Stang for their time and service. The Council would also like to welcome new members Tom Frank and Judi Schreiner.

**Review:** The Constitution was reviewed and after some discussion some changes were made. Mary made a motion to change Article 5 to read after 2 consecutive unexcused absences, instead of 3, the member will be replaced. It was seconded by Ken. Motion carried. A motion was made by Elmer, seconded by Ken, to accept all the other changes and to approve the entire document as amended.

**Parish Dinner:** The date for the Parish Dinner was set for April 7. More details later.

**Parishioner Involvement:** Mary and Tom will look into ways to get more people involved for the ministry jobs of the parish. They will report at the next meeting .

**Lock Box:** Ken was approached by Brian Walz, the Captain of the Watkins Fire Department, to consider installing a lock box so that in case of an emergency the proper authorities can get in. Motion made by Tom, seconded by Sue to proceed . Motion carried.

**Reports**

**Financial Report :** November Income \$13,895.14. November expenses: \$8,225.93=\$5,669.21.  
December income \$20,760.08 December expenses \$9,407.65=11,352.43.

**Maintenance Committee:** There was no report from the maintenance Committee.

**Cemetery Committee:** There was no report from the Cemetery Committee.

**Christian Women:** The next parish breakfast will be on Feb.19. Group 4 will serve.

**Men's Society:** There was no report from the Men's Society.

**Religious Education:** There will be a spaghetti dinner on February 13<sup>th</sup> for invited members of the parish. First Communion will be March 31<sup>st</sup>. Confirmation will be April 24<sup>th</sup> with Cold Spring. Bishop Kettler will preside this year.

**Pastor's Comments:** We will look into getting calendars for our parish for 2020 since Wenner's Funeral Home did not provide them for 2019. There are still discussions being held with the Cold Spring Deanery and the St. Cloud Diocese on the Catholic Area Communities. There has been no set decisions made yet, everything is still being discussed.

**Future Agenda Items:**

- \* Parish Dinner
- \* Church Alarm System

A Motion was made by Elmer to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Tom. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting Date:** has been set for Monday, March 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Parish House.

Respectfully submitted Judi Schreiner, secretary.