

# MINUTES OF THE ST. PIUS X PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

January 5, 2021

The regular meeting of the St. Pius X Parish Council was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2021, at 7:00pm in the parish house. Council members present: Fr. Kopel, Mike Wiley, Laurie Miller, Sarah Severson, Colleen Lamb. Also present: Jim Thibodeau, Stacie Weinheimer and Lisa Guthmiller. Absent: Joe Stahl, Tawana Grueb.

The meeting was opened by a prayer led by Father Kopel. The minutes from the November 3 meeting were reviewed and with no corrections or additions passed by the council motioned by Mike and seconded by Laurie. The agenda's motion to approve was made by Colleen and Seconded by Sarah with no objections. The Financial reports were also reviewed by the council and a short discussion on income and expenses and CFSA numbers was held. Following the discussion, the finance reports were approved by the council from motions by Laurie and seconded by Colleen.

Old Business: The status of Jim's retirement/maintenance position was discussed. There have been no applications received for this position to date. Options on what to do were presented and discussed and the council members agreed that Mike Wiley will oversee snow removal and that Jim will continue to do the general maintenance and cleaning for the church.

## Committee Reports:

Respect Life: Stacie reported that some of the items collected for Advent Baby Shower will be going to help a local family (Rosse) and remaining items sent to Planning Life in Sioux Falls. The Rosse family will also be receiving a check for 500.00 from the parish to help with recovery expenses after their house fire.

Social Concerns: There was no news to report. The council discussed the success of the raffle drawing and thanked those who organized the fundraiser.

Maintenance: Jim Thibodeau reported that all was working well. Stacie asked that a light bulb be replaced giving safety concerns for evening CCD students.

Religious Education: Stacie Weinheimer reported that everyone is excited and happy that classes will resume on January 6<sup>th</sup> and that they had a great first semester. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher is staying on to teach this term, the xmas parties went great and the gifts for the kids and teachers were appreciated by all. Because of the continuing covid concerns they will continue with the year in the same protocols and procedures. Safe environment training is being wrapped up. She brought to the council that Jim has not completed training and a discussion was held on past happenings and diocese rules. The new TV and the current WIFI situation were discussed. Mike has volunteered to help Stacie complete the project in the church basement.

In closing comments, Father discussed his retirement. He stated that in December he sent a formal letter of resignation to the Bishop for July 1, 2021 and that he has no say or control of any of the happenings as far as a replacement. He did state that given the current situation of the church and the "30-mile rule" that he does not see closure on the table.

The next meeting date was set at March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and a call to adjourn was made by Father and Colleen.

With no further business to discuss Father led the council in a closing prayer.