

MINUTES OF THE ST. PIUS X PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

March 9, 2021

The regular meeting of the St. Pius X Parish Council was held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 7:00pm in the parish house. Council members present: Fr. Kopel, Mike Wiley, Laurie Miller, Sarah Severson, Colleen Lamb and Joe Stahl. Staff present: Lisa Guthmiller. Absent: Tawana Grueb.

The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Father Kopel. The minutes and agenda from the January 5 meeting were reviewed and with no corrections or additions they were passed by the council with a motion by Colleen and second from Mike. The Financial reports were also reviewed by the council and a short discussion on income and expenses, attendance and contributions were held. Following the discussion, the finance reports were approved by the council from a motion by Mike and a second by Laurie.

Old Business:

The status of Jim's retirement/maintenance position was discussed. Jim decided to opt out of the cleaning of the church which Lisa agreed to take over. Options on what to do were presented and discussed and Father will be contacting a member to see if they are willing to take over the maintenance duties. Mike will continue the outdoor duties of snow removal and mowing. The council approved a retirement gift for Jim.

New Business:

Father talked about the upcoming First Communion Mass and stated that Gettysburg will be having a meal afterwards and he thought that Onida should plan one also. Plans will be made based on the numbers in attendance from the families which Father will have after the First Penance meeting at the end of the month. Courthouse plaque: Laurie stated that a parishioner had approached her about the parish and Holy Rosary donating money towards the plaque courthouse renovation project. Several members and Father voiced their opposition to doing this and the proposal was rejected by the council.

Committee Reports:

Respect Life: Mike Wiley read a report of activities from Stacie. Summary: World day of Prayer at the Methodist Church went very well per Nola. St. Pius X will host in 2022. Appreciation Sunday went very well again this year. The group will be doing their Baby Bottle Fundraiser again this year. Whether to do baskets or bottles will be decided at a later date. Their next meeting will be in September to plan welcome Sunday.

Social Concerns: The subject of the Sunday Lunches was brought up and several new ideas were presented by Colleen and other members. This will be discussed further at a later date.

Maintenance: No report. Everything is working fine.

Religious Education: Mike Wiley read a report provided to him by Stacie. Summary: All is going well with the Religious Education classes. Great attendance and all the teachers are doing great this year. Stations of the Cross are being held during Lent and lead by the classes. The last day of classes this year is April 28th.

Stacie would like to plan a Vacation Bible School this summer with approval of the council. She would also like to ask that Janel Wiley be hired as a "fill-in" for her when she is unavailable on Wednesdays. Mike stated that Janel would like to volunteer for this and does not expect compensation.

With no further business the next meeting date was set at May 4th, 2021 and a call to adjourn was made by Colleen and Joe.