

# St Boniface Parish Council Minutes

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

7 p.m.

**Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm with the following members present,**

Kelly Murphy, Pres, Tracy Ludwig, VP – via Zoom, Peggy Dvorak  
Jeff Dvorak , Brian Murphy, Jan Kunz, DOM, Fr. Starman, Pastor,

## **Absent Members:**

Kim Estes, Secretary Cheri Dvorak, Christian Mothers Rep.

**Motion was made by Jeff Dvorak, seconded by Tracy Ludwig to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.**

## **Ongoing Discussion**

### Potential New Members

- Brian Murphy has accepted an appointment with the Parish Council and will fill 1 of the 3 vacancies. The council will use the Parish Registrations to identify additional potential members and send those to Fr. Starman.
- Jan Kunz noted that of those parishioners who returned their registration form, none indicated interest in serving on Parish Council.
- Council members will ask for interest when they complete calls to their list of parishioners that have not returned the registration
- Tracy Ludwig will develop 2 different scripts for the council's approval to use when calling parishioners so that we are all giving the same message
  - Script for following up with Parishioners who did not complete the Parish Registration Form
  - Script for asking those that indicated they were helping with something listed
- Suggestion was made to have Parish Council members assist parishioners in completing the registration form after mass during rolls and coffee

### Live Lent Together-

- Jan is the point person for both St. Joseph's and St. Boniface. She has 4 confirmed small group leaders from each parish. There will be a training January 31<sup>st</sup> in O'Neill for the small group leaders.

### Insurance Inspection – update on progress on specified areas.

- Fr. Starman got a notice last week requesting a response to the Insurance Inspection findings. Fr reminded that the council that these are recommendations only, not requirements.
- Parish Council will meet February 20<sup>th</sup> at 1pm to go through the Insurance Inspection and take care of the items that they can.

- Fr. Starman will respond in the meantime with current actions the council is taking.

#### Rent Increase for use of preschool

- SPS School Board did not accept rent of \$1500/mos. Kelly countered the offer with \$1000/mos., Gary Olberding was going to take this back to the School Board, Kelly reached out to Gary prior to the meeting today to see if the school board discussed the rate and has not heard back.
- Conversation held on drafting a notice of rent increase along with a corresponding contract. Brian Murphy and Tracy Ludwig will correspond to draft the notice. Fr. Starman will contact Pat Flood to work on the contract.

#### Auction – Remodel of SBS: What do we want need? Where to start?

- Auditorium booked for March
- Fr. Starman suggested putting the auction off for another year so that we can be better prepared. The council agreed to postpone a Parish Auction until February 2023.
- Tracy Ludwig will include this in the script mentioned above.

#### **New Business**

##### Sound System update-

- Catholic Mutual finally approved our claim \$45,328.00 less \$2,500.00 deductible (\$43,203.00).
- Fr. Starman signed contract with Midwest Sound for \$45, 328.00
- Need to put 50% down before they will start ordering parts.
- Current Sound system will be gutted.

Organ – Fr Starman has made a connection finally, they will should be coming out in the next few weeks to see if the organ can be repaired.

##### Elevator –

- Circuit Breaker tripped, fixed now – Thanks to Roland Osborne and Lee Friedel
- Repair etc. was donated by

Clock – Kelly has worked on multiple times without being able to resolve. Next course of action will need to be contacting J.J. Smith at Smith's Bell and Clock Service, Inc. .

Christmas Mass Times – Attendance the 10 p.m. Christmas eve Mass was poorly attended. (50-75 people) it may be removed from the schedule going forward. The 6 p.m. was a full house.

Weekend Mass Times – discussion on decreasing mass to one per parish per weekend. The Sunday's after Christmas and New Year's showed us that we have more than ample room to accommodate parishioners at one Mass per church.

### Pastoral Planning

The archdiocese will be beginning another round of Pastoral Planning in February. The hope was our 2018-2019 planning would see us through 10 years, but unfortunately, we're going to be down at least 30 priests from the number we have today by 2032.

### Archbishops Visit –

- Will be here March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> for a Parish Visit.
- Jan will work on planning a potluck at St. Boniface after the 6p.m. mass.
- Jan will also visit with the Christian Mothers about getting the church cleaned prior to the visit.

### Chairs –

- 30 more chairs donated by the Ray Krysl Family, for the church basement
- Jan will post signage requesting that the tables and chairs are not removed from the church basement.

### Tables -

- 10 of the 14 old tables have been sold. Which leaves four remaining to be sold.

Adjourn – Motion made by Peggy Dvorak seconded by Jeff Dvorak to adjourn at 8:18 pm

Closing prayer

Next meeting: March 15, 2022 @ 7 p.m.