

Sts. Leo and Martin Parish Councils Meeting

Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2020

Opening

The regular meeting of the Sts. Leo and Martin Parish Councils Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm on January 9, 2020 in St. Leo's Rectory by Father Sparling with a prayer.

Present

Fr. Adam Sparling, Megan Carman, Laura Hays, Chad Hartwick, Janel Callahan, Darren Donovan, Bob Hoffman, Joe Moeller and Nicole Ragon

Sustainability Proposal

Janel reported she had spoken via phone to the Kohles's about the Council's concerns and ideas. Janel advised that St. Leo's is already changing all bulbs to LED. Sue Kohles addressed that a basin can be used for sanitizing hand washed dishes and the dishwasher can handle dishes from smaller dinners. The Council concluded it was good for the Kohles's to continue to discuss with the Altar Society members to work out their concerns. Council decided to start small by placing recycling bins next to trashcans in the main hall as well as bins in CCD classrooms. It was also advised that whatever is decided will need to be done on a voluntary basis by parishioners. The Kohles's, or a member of their team, will be responsible for taking away recycling on a weekly basis so as it is not stored in the garage. Sue will purchase all recycling bins needed.

St. Leo's High Altar

To be true to our commitment to the Miller family we need to find a solution to getting the High Altar installed so the donor can view this donation. Darren will be calling Mark Bennier to see if he can provide engineering help for the false wall. Money has been pledged for the restoration. An announcement in the bulletin will be asking for a Lead Volunteer for the project.

Divine Mercy Hall Rental Fee

Greg Harrison asked the St. Leo's Parish Council to review the hall rental agreement in particular the section regarding the fee section which asks for the suggested donation of \$75 for Hall rental for 4 hours usage and \$150 for more than 4 hours usage. He requests that the hall to be free for registered parishioners. Council discussed at length and it was decided that the fee schedule will remain in place for personal usage. The council appreciated Mr. Harrison's request for review. A bulletin announcement will be placed to remind all registered parishioners at St. Leo's and St. Martin's that they can rent Divine Mercy Hall.

Church Building Study estimates

As was suggested by Jason Suelter and the Diocesan Building Commission and explained at the Structural presentation to the parish in October a further structural study needed to be completed for more information. Fr. Sparling presented the estimate Vector Structural Design provided. McGill Restoration will be doing 5 4x4 squares (3 at ground level and 2 in the bell tower). The cost is estimated to be \$7900 and the Council approved going ahead. Fr. Sparling will let Jason @ VSD know to proceed.

AED (Automated External Defibrillator) for St. Leo's

Laura proposed getting the cost of an AED for St. Leo's. She will gather information and report back.

St. Martin's Altar Survey

Fr. Sparling reviewed the votes from the Altar Survey which asked the parishioners if they wanted to leave the Altar as is, or move the Altar back in front of the High Altar. The vote was 60% remain, 40% go back so the Altar will stay as is. Joe Moller and Christopher Connelly are looking into wireless microphones to solve any sound issues.

St. Martin's Furnace

Bob is still getting quotes for the replacement of the furnace.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm by Father Sparling with a prayer.

Minutes submitted by: Megan Carman