

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Council Minutes

Date: March 8, 2013

St. Agnes Room

Members in Attendance: Father John Cantwell, Pete Comerford, Al Cuellar, Hope Cuellar, Tom Kozlowski, Mirna Taylor, Lisa & Paul Patterson, Tina Rheault, Sheila Tavano, Father Jong.

Members Absent: Jeff French, Carlos Alvarado, Linda Madden, Wes Fischer, Ellen Fischer, Don Morley, Maria Quintero, Father Walter Tabios, Jim Yates, Mikol Maitland, Lupe Trujillo.

Opening

- President, Al Cuellar called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- Fr. John Cantwell lead the council in a prayer
- Minutes of the February Parish Council Meeting were approved as sent.

St. James Society minutes were read by Lisa Patterson. Minutes were approved as read.

Pastor's Comments – Fr. John Cantwell

1. We are getting bids for surveillance cameras – phone system to help with the security on our property. One bid has been given and we are awaiting the second.
2. Andy and Tomas went to St. James in Georgetown on March 5th to work on monthly cleaning work.
3. I have asked the Knights of Columbus to follow up on the sealing of the St. Patrick statue in the parking lot.
4. Bishop Soto has extended the Liturgical restrictions during the flu season.
5. Andy has finished painting the curbing in the parking lot by Cantwell Hall.

6. We are still in the process of hiring a maintenance man for our parish.
7. The Holy Week/Easter mailing will be sent out this next week.
8. Fr. Michael Moore is giving a Lenten Mission starting with this weekend's Masses and continuing through Wednesday evening.
9. Several priests will be assisting at St. Patrick Church for the Communal Penance Service on March 27th.
10. Stands made by Bill Mott have been set in place in Our Lady's Chapel.
11. The Pastor's Dinner is June 1st and Pete Chavez and Dick Pacilio are cooks. Al and Hope Cuellar will provide the meat.

In Denise Davidsons absence, Sheila Tavano said the doughnuts and coffee schedules are going well.

Gloria Merjil stated that the Vocation Booklets have been received and will be placed at all entrances in church. Al & Hope Cuellar paid for the printing of the booklets.

In the absence of Don Morley and Mikol Maitland there was no new information regarding heating or air systems.

Father Cantwell said the heat detectors in the Faith Formation offices and the Gurnell Hall kitchen are not being heard. The sensors need updating. One bid has been received to pay for this project.

Updates on the Ladies Society were given by Sheila Tavano. Our spring plant sale has been cancelled for now because of price scheduling with Home Depot. She asked that we still support our local Home Depot because the problem was because of Home Depot management. She also said the Ladies have paid for the wooden shelves that are on either side of the tabernacle . The Society is waiting for the final bids on the surveillance and sound system in Gurnell Hall before donating for these projects.

Lisa Patterson said the building of the grotto at St. James is going well. AT&T on Main St. asked to have the tree pressing on the fence be removed.

Hispanic Community did not have any update due to the absence of Maria Quintero. They are planning the outdoor live Good Friday Stations of the Cross along with the Caucasian community. Sheila remarked more attendance should be felt for this wonderful experience of Christ's Passion.

Finance Report

March 8, 2013: Total income for July 1, 2012 to March 7, 2013: \$607,241.57.
Other income: \$51,627.87. Total income: \$658,869.44. Expenses: \$573,813.98.
Other expenses: \$36,810.11. Total Expenses: \$610,624.09. Net Income:
\$48,245.35.

The Food Bowl is a great improvement by having it a part of the regular collections.

There is no response from the Diocese yet regarding the Annual Appeal. More reports will be received soon.

Closing:

- The next Parish Council meeting will be on April 19, 2013 at 7PM in the St. Agnes Room.
- Fr. Cantwell led the council in a closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted
Sheila Tavano, Secretary