

11-20-18

St Thomas More Parish Council Minutes

Attendance: Kathy Hornschemeier, Jim Conrady, Vic Ivers, Larry Bush, Tom Buchheit Fr. Wagner, Dick Berish Absent John Duncan

We started with a prayer by Fr. Bill at 7 PM

Minutes were corrected and approved from previous meeting 1st Jim Conrady, 2nd Kathy Hornschemeier approved

Fr. Bill:

Fr Bill updated us on Becky Ready and health. Fr discussed the upcoming Christmas season and the proposed Winterfest fund raising. It was proposed Winterfest funds be used to clean the interior of the church brick. The new music being implemented at the noon mass is more contemporary and is being received well. We are looking to do some repairs to the organ. All agreed to try this event.

Dick Berish:

We were updated on the October and YTD financial data. We are doing well and close to the projections. We are watching carefully to make sure we meet the targets. The offertory offering is running below the targets. We are ahead on income due to latchkey and preschool income. The repairs to More Martyr hall furnace are complete. This will be monitored to new savings for the repair. The repairs to the furnace will cost about \$6500. For the high efficiency replacement. The information on Winterfest in January is moving along well. January 19th is the date. The liquor license has been completed.

New Business

ALICE training with UT police will be Monday at 3:30. We are looking into the fire alarm system as well. The training for the teachers and staff did not make the bulletin. We will check with Tony with UT police about what would be needed and problems with liability or keeping up to date. Fr. Will check with principal Candy about the drill for active shooter.

We have checked for cleaning the inside brick of the church. Estimate for cost will be \$37,500.

Benches around the gym were done by donations of plastic from the school children. They are made from recycled materials provided by the school children and families.

We have been updated on the 2019-20 Budget assumptions. We have adjusted the items to reflect the possible demographics of the parish. We have seen some decline in the overall donations weekly over several years due to loss of some large donors. This will be reflected in the way we are going to start the budget this next year. Assumptions for the school are remaining close to those we have used the last several years. Most items will be using the same as previous years.

We are updated on the COPE program for electric usage. We have gone from 85000 to 65000 in usage with the energy program. We pay about 5 cents pe kwh. This has helped overall budget and cost effectiveness.

There is a possibility that we might need another custodian. We will carefully review all needs of the parish for this position.

We have OSHA cost and an invoice for a repair to meet new standards of safety.

Vote for adjournment: 1st Vic Ivers 2nd Jim Conrady, all approved

Fr concluded the meeting at 7:40PM with a prayer.

Approved and submitted by Kathy Hornschemeier