

St. Nicholas

Catholic Church of Belle River

Finance Council Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2024

Members Present: Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Fr. Dan Ruprecht, Shawn Becker, Gary Haavig, Veronica Haavig, Todd Wentworth, Nate Hillmer, Dwayne Waldorf

Members Absent: Tim Baas and Judy Collins

Also Present: Deacon Nathaniel Daubner, Mike and Ellyn Ponicki

Call to Order: Fr. Matthew opened the meeting with prayer at 7:15 pm in the church rectory.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes: Add to the agenda: Cenex. The agenda approved with the changes. Minutes approved.

Action Items/To-do List (Done or Not Done – any explanations should be brief)

- 1) Dennis H.: updated quote from Odyssey containing smoother lapped panels, inclusion of lift, and painting of cross in gold color
- 2) Dennis H. will reach out to town board to see if they will help with cost of handicap door
- 3) Nate: talk with Dennis about obtaining a spare panel board for the elevator
- 4) Nate: contact elevator company about availability of panels
- 5) Sharon: send an email to all the parishioners asking for help mowing and put it in the bulletin
- 6) Todd: stop at Cenex about propane.
- 7) Sharon: Check on Cenex dividend
- 8) Gary: book to keep track of maintenance of lawnmowers
- 9) Gary: Bremer Construction for wall in church
- 10) Dwayne: Drainage near facilities
- 11) Gary: Contractor for the leakage repair of the wall in entrance
- 12) Nate: Brandt Contracting bid for power washing the church slate roof

Standing Business

1. Financial Reports
 - a. The fiscal year financial report shows the Sunday offering with an 11% increase. The statement of activities approved as presented.
 - b. The account balances reviewed and approved as presented.
 - c. Diocesan Annual Report: reviewed and approved as presented.
2. Facilities Update
 - a. CAPEX- Steeple repair: Dennis Hillmer working on this
 - b. Divine Mercy image: the print has been chosen, now working on choosing the frame
 - a. The wall the portrait will hang shows water issues of leaking. Contact a contractor to look at and advise.
 - c. Drainage of facilities: tile laid to drain to the ditch, french drain to eliminate standing water
 - d. Add to Project List: rectory storm windows

Old/New Business

1. Newsletter
 - a. Tabled until next meeting.
2. Reboot
 - a. A generous gift was donated to St. Nicholas. Possibly use to pay the student tickets for Reboot. It was suggested to pay part of the ticket to remain the same as the other parishes. Subsidize parent tickets for those who cannot go.
3. Men on Fire Conference
 - a. After Reboot

Next Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 7:15 pm

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sharon Marthaler