



Finance Council Meeting Minutes November 12, 2024

Members Present: Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Fr. Dan Ruprecht, Mike Bowman, Mike Helwig, Bev Paul, Todd Wentworth, and Rich Wielenberg

Absent: Craig Highet

Also Present: Molly Oeltjen, Terri Anderson, Ginger Hetland, and Jerry Hiltner

Call to Order: Fr. Matthew opened the meeting with prayer @ 5:30 pm in the church basement.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes: The agenda approved. Correction to the minutes of the September 10, 2024, meeting: the CD matures on December 12th, not in October. Minutes approved with correction.

Review Action Items and Communications

1. Light Fixtures, Fan – (see facilities section below)
2. Refurbish gold vessels
3. Fill in cracks on steps, grotto: fill in the cracks in the spring
4. Railings by steps, other cement

Standing Business

1. Financial Reports
 - a. The Statement of Activities reviewed and approved as presented.
 - b. Account balances reviewed and approved as presented. Mike Bowman is going to reach out to FNB Osakis to verify the interest rate on the CD for the John Massmann Memorial Scholarship. It was agreed to keep out \$60k when the CD matures in December and reinvest the remainder into another 6 month CD.
2. Facilities/Project Wish List
 - a. Church Renovation Update
 - a) The molding on the bottom step by the tabernacle needs to be finished. Replacement of the sink in the sacristy, lights in the stairway, the bathroom, the green room, and the outside lighting of the church.
 - b) Sketches for the altar, ambo, presider chair, side chairs, and servers' bench were also presented to the board at an estimated cost of \$37,500. We are not able to proceed at this time with the diocesan-wide moratorium on such building "remodel-like" projects. Good information to have and build on for planning for the future.
 - c) Painting of the church basement, new ceiling tile, and flooring tile discussed and ok for the go ahead as this would fall under general maintenance and not the "remodel-like" projects.
 - d) Garage walls and floor in need of repair. Storage space needed.
 - e) The sound system needs to be looked at.
 - b. Light Fixtures

- a) Molly, Terri, and Ginger brought pictures and information of new lights they chose for the church space. Each hanging light estimated cost is \$4,000. With 6 lights bringing the total estimated cost to \$24,000. Rebates might be offered by REA for lighting.
- c. Bell Tower
 - a) Tin will be added to the outside of the bell tower to match the front tuckpointing of the church. Timbers will be removed on the inside of the tower to make the floor level. Estimated cost of \$7,000.
- 3. John Massmann Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee
 - a. A CD was opened at the FNB of Osakis with \$350,000 from the Massmann Scholarship Fund. The CD would be for 11 months with an interest rate of 4.85, maturing in August, 2025.
- 4. Parish Festival
 - a. Tabled until next meeting.

Old/New Business

- 1. CD Maturity
 - a. The CD at Glenwood State Bank matures On December 12th. Money will be taken out to pay bills for the tuckpointing, bell tower repair, and the outside light fixtures and the inside side stairway and bathroom light fixtures, renew the CD with the remaining money.
- 2. Sharing and Caring
 - a. Donations will be made as followed: Osakis Fire Department \$100, the Niehaus family fire \$1000, Todd County Foster Closet \$500, Osakis HS After Prom Party \$100
- 3. Policy and guidelines for facility use (tabled for future meeting due to short of time)
- 4. Open discussion
 - a. Jerry Hiltner was present to discuss using the school kitchen, possibly using it once a month for his events, mainly to prepare his food. The Todd County license requires him to use a commercial kitchen. Todd Wentworth will contact Catholic Mutual inquiring about how to handle insurance coverage for this use of the kitchen.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 5:30 pm

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sharon Marthaler