St. Joseph's Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes October 20, 2022

Geoff Delp called the meeting to order, Father Matthew led the members in an opening prayer.

Members Present: Alyssa Brown, Geoff Delp, RoseMary Moulzolf, Ione Sauer, Bob and Mary Lou Stuckmayer

Parish Secretary: Jan Helmin

Members Absent: Colleen and Steve Kasella

Minutes from July 19, 2022, were reviewed and approved. Parish Reports were reviewed and approved. Agenda was reviewed, under New Business Father added Painting of the Blessed Virgin Mary statue, Mary Lou added Cemetery Updates. Amended Agenda was approved.

Gene Keske and Dennis Scholl joined the meeting to discuss Ruby's Pantry. Ramey Hall has installed new flooring and is no longer available for Rudy's Pantry to rent. Gene explained the history of how Ruby's Pantry began and how many people they serve. He also described the process of bringing in the pallets of food items into the hall. Because of the volume the Bar area would not be big enough. The entire Hall area would be necessary. The Council would like to accommodate the program but felt the damage to the hall floor would be too costly.

I. Old Business:

a. Fall Collection

Contributions are down from previous years.

b. Fall Fund Raisers

Council member discussed the December 4th Quilt & Ham Bingo. Ione said the Christian Mothers decided to keep the cost at \$10 per card. Also considering doing a 50/50 for the last Black Out game. The Christian Mothers use the money from the Quilt & Ham Bingo to pay for expenses and buy more material. They also will donate funds to St. Joseph, depending on funds available.

c. Cash Raffle & Quilt Bingo scheduled for March 5th.

Council decided to have the first Fish Fry February 24th and 2nd Fish Fry March 17th. Geoff asked for more ideas for having another fundraiser. Because of other events scheduled in the community no dates were available. Geoff stated it's not all about money and said he would like to have a fellowship dinner after a Saturday evening mass.

A fellowship dinner is scheduled for January 14th after the 4 o'clock mass.

II. New Business:

a. Painting of the Blessed Virgin Mary statue.
 Father asked Candra Larson to paint the statue. Bob made a motion to approve, Alyssa 2nd the motion. The statue will be painted sometime after Christmas.

- b. The Kasella family donated a statue for the cemetery. It was decided to place the statue by the cross. Bob & Mary Lou will call Mark Hegna to clear the evergreens. Weather permitting, they will do as much as possible now and wait until next Spring to complete.
- c. Parish Hall, Rent Charges and Manager
 Jan Helmin had questions about cashing the deposits received when the hall is rented.
 The Council discussed options but no decision was made.

Jan said there is a wedding scheduled in June, 2023. Jan left the meeting and the Council continued discussing different options. RoseMary said the council members were receiving complaints in regards to the upcoming scheduled weddings and not receiving calls back from the Hall Manager, Amy Kelash. Mary Lou checked the hall supplies and called Amy. Amy stated she didn't know she had to order the supplies so Mary Lou and Bob picked up supplies. RoseMary heard Deb Bialke was decorating for the Kapsner's wedding. RoseMary and Mary Lou discussed the lack of Amy's response and the need to make sure the Kapsner family received the the best possible outcome for the wedding. Due to Geoff's Mom being on hospice and not wanting to disturb Geoff, RoseMary called Deb Bialke and ask if she would consider mentoring Amy and help manage the Kapsner wedding. Deb agreed and the Kapsner family was very happy with the hall, and how smoothly everything went.

Amy Kelash resigned as Hall Manager. Geoff said we could not take booking without a manager and we would have to cancel the scheduled June wedding. RoseMary suggested calling Deb Bialke to see if she would consider managing the hall on a per event basis. Understanding that if Jan receives a call to book a wedding, and if Deb is available for that date to manage the event, we could schedule the booking. Geoff said the council meetings can't be all about the hall and RoseMary should form a hall committee and bring any suggestions to the next council meeting. Father stated he did not need to be included in all the council emails.

- III. Next Meeting, Tuesday, January 12th at 6:30.
- IV. Meeting was adjourned and Father led the closing pray.

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