

# St. Vincent Parish Council Meeting Minutes 1/22/17

Father opened the meeting with a prayer. **Council members in attendance:** Father Joe Forcelle, Cindy Ludens- Trustee 5year term- ending 2020, Dorothy Dean- 3 year term- ending 2018, Carl Eastman- Trustee 5 year term- ending 2020, Ron Renner- 3 year term- ending 2018 and Lisa Kelley- 3 year term- ending 2018.

- I. For board member terms it has been agreed that beginning 2018 we will reappoint a new council member each year instead of all at once.
- II. **Finances & Administration:**
  - A. Financial report was handed out to each board member.
  - B. Discussion held on expenses during Fathers absence that the Bishop has paid for Fathers lodging, lawyer fees...etc. and he is asking that SV & SL parish pay for any expenses for substitutes in his absence.
  - C. Private Mass stipend for 2017 has been increased to \$15 from a previous \$10. This will be run in the bulletin for a while so people become aware of the change.
  - D. We still need to have \$15,000 transferred from SV checking account into the expansion fund as motioned at the July 17, 2016 meeting.
- III. **Repairs & Upgrades:**
  - A. Recently completed work is as follows: plumbing upgrades including toilets, new kitchen sink and hardware as well as new installation of the mop sink in the maintenance closet. The only toilet not replaced is in the rectory as that was replaced around a year ago. Light and bulb replacements have also been done as well as patch work to the concrete on the front walk.
  - B. Outside work that still needs to be completed once the weather allows are roof caulking, either painting or replacement of eaves and hornet and swallow nest removal. Father is waiting on a bid from Scott Bouska as to the amount of the rest of the repairs. He will also ask him to give a bid for what it would cost to replace the eaves instead of paint as it may be more cost effective and less maintenance in the long run if they were just replaced with aluminum. He is also going to get a bid for cement work in the front as it was agreed that the patch work is more of a temporary fix and will need more repairing before it becomes a hazard.
  - C. Snow removal has been done by Yule's no issues.
  - D. The dumpster in the back has rusted through so Williams Sanitation will be bringing a new/used dumpster to replace it for the cost of \$300.00.
- IV. **Cemetery:**
  - A. We are in need of a chairperson for the cemetery and will be putting word out in the bulletin for a Sexton to see if we get any interest. There are a few people willing to be involved with any help but no interest in taking the position. This individual would be responsible for working with the funeral homes, plot measurements for vaults as well as the cemetery map.
  - B. Mary Hurd will continue to assist with the records and cemetery map as she has put in significant time to get it current. If we are unable to find an interested party we may need to consider asking the Goglin Funeral Home for assistance and we would have to pay for their services.
- V. **Religious Education:**
  - A. Emersyn Tucker is the only SV member to receive their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion this year so the family is still deciding on when they would like to have this done. They are considering April 30, 2017 8:30am at SL with the Tyndall group or May 7, 2017 10:30 at SV however this is also the date for Baccalaureate in Tyndall so they are still deciding what will work best for them.
  - B. SV has no graduating seniors this year.
  - C. Steubenville – Denver, CO dates will be June 22-25 and our youth will be going together with Parishes from Vermillion, Tabor and Lake Andes.
  - D. Totus Tuus dates for 2017 are June 25-30.
- VI. **Other:**
  - A. Joseph Scholten will be Ordained on Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Cathedral in Sioux Falls discussion was held on seeing if there is interest in carpooling up for this event and possible Mass at St. Leo's afterwards.
- VII. The next meeting will be August 6, 2017 after Mass.

Lisa Kelley, Secretary