

ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH – PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

January 10, 2022

ATTENDEES;

Kathy Greene, Chairperson

Elaine Brehm, Secretary

Joanne Boyko

Jennifer Langley

Rudy Gomez

Father Michael Imperial

Lou Hinds

Father Mike opened the meeting with a prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 8, 2021: Jennifer Langley made a motion to approve the minutes. Joanne Boyko seconded the motion.

SYNOD: Father Mike and Lou Hinds:

The diocese has requested a Synod (a meeting of lay people representing all people of the church to determine mission goals). Father Lito had asked for mission goals for ten years. Now the church wants to query all the groups within the church, ie., ethnic groups, the elderly, LGBTQ, and special interest groups as to whether their needs are being met, do they feel welcomed, etc. Christine Waldemeier will take notes for Lou's group. Meetings will be recorded. The first meetings will begin in January and the recommendations will be submitted to the Diocese by March. Several groups have already determined their leaders and goals. The remainder of the committees will be established in January, the information collected will be collated in February and submitted by March.

Now that the large task of building the new church and paying off the mortgage has been completed, Father Mike wants the needs of all the groups that compose the congregation to be identified and then implemented. The LGBTQ community is welcomed into the church but marriage between same sex couples is not offered.

Lou and Fr. Mike will meet tomorrow to discuss the logistics of implementing the Synod.

HISPANIC REPORT: Rudy Gomez

Rudy reported the Hispanic Ministries are developing ideas for new projects now that the mortgage has been paid off. They have already committed to building a ramp for parishioner ,

Jennie Lopez, who has become paralyzed due to an illness. They also want to support her family and other needy families with monetary support.

The Hispanic Ministries will remove the Christmas lights this coming Saturday. They are also planning spiritual events and hope to encourage more parishioners to return to in-person attendance at mass as Covid infections subside.

OTHER CONCERNS/ ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE:

Joanne Boyko questioned whether the Ladies Auxiliary's planned card party for February can be held. After deliberation, Father Mike suggested it would be safer to postpone it to a later date due to the high numbers of Covid at present.

Elaine brought up the discussion of the purchase of additional land from Genevieve Walker and her sister since they have sold their business which adjoins the parcel of land the church wishes to purchase for additional parking. Jennifer Langley made a motion for the Council to request funds from the Finance Council to allow a surveyor to develop plans for purchasing several acres from the Walkers. Joanne Boyko seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. Jennifer will develop a form which can be used to make requests to the Finance Council for this and other projects in the future.

Lou Hinds reported the gutters on the church were cleaned by Kevin Daley and Mario Lucas. Gutter guards are needed to prevent clogging and water from seeping under the church. Also Lou and Kevin Daley noted the window sills around the church's stained glass windows need to be sanded, primed, and painted. Jennifer Langley made a motion this job should be done. Kathy Greene seconded the motion with the whole group voting unanimously. Also the hand rails on the front of the Rectory need to be replaced.

Rudy Gomez and Mario Lucas finished replacing the screening on the rear porch of the Rectory and now a new screen door has to be installed. Father Mike would like to have an outdoor work-out area on the porch.

The hand railing on the Religious Ed building needs to be replaced. Jennifer asked if that building could have the locks replaced. Kathy Greene noted there is a locksmith on the Shore. Rudy and Lou will replace the railing.

Several parishioners cleaned the roof of the carport last summer but said the roof is rusting and needs painting otherwise it will rot.

Father Mike closed the meeting with a prayer.

Next Meeting: February 7, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

Kathy Greene, Chair 2/7/2022