

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 5, 2013  
7:00PM

Present: Al Koshney, Todd Zimprich, Msgr. Daniel Pilon, Karen Gapp, Greg Krieger, and Tara Balstrad  
Also present were Philip Zubrod and Camenson Wolf from Catholic United Financial

Msgr. Pilon opened the meeting with a prayer.

The floor was then given to the Catholic United Financial representatives to explain to us what they are about. They are an organization that offers many services to Catholic churches and their parishioners. They have programs to help financially with things that are normally done at the church such as chores. They can offer help with fundraisers and have grants for things that may be under funded. They are good for parish involvement an community as well. They also offer services directly to parish families such as insurance and estate planning. They would like to come in and address the parish as a whole and speak with any families that may be interested in their services privately as well. The council thinks this would be a good idea.

Minutes of the March 6th meeting were reviewed and approved.

It was discussed as to how much we currently had in the checking account after the building loan will be paid off. We should be sitting okay for getting all bills paid and caught up with things. Some expense accounts showed amounts that did not seem correct. There was a few things put in the church expense account that should have been somewhere else. Tara is to contact Andrea at the Diocese to have this changed around. Finances were approved by Todd and seconded by Al.

The "Welcome before Mass" was discussed. It was brought up as to weather or not to keep doing it. Msgr. was contacted by a parishioner who said there was someone who tried to speak up about a birthday but was not heard and got over looked. The council decided that most people liked the welcome and it will just be brought up that people need to speak up or raise their hand so that nobody is missed or feels left out do to communication issues.

Time and Talent sheets are to be done again in September or October. It was decided to have the parish fill these out starting the Sunday after Labor Day and will continue for a couple weeks so we can be sure that everyone receives one to fill out.

Calendar for the year-Reconciliation will be Monday of Holy Week this year. Sounds like it would be best to keep the communal reconciliation to the 3rd Sunday same as last year.

Building and Grounds- The sign was taken out of the box for everyone to see. It was approved by all. Msgr. Pilon and David are to bring it to the flower shop for final approval. It was ordered in the larger size before she said she would like is smaller. It was brought up as to weather we should spray extra insulation in parts of the ceiling as it was lacking when the church was built. The furnace has been working well other than in the parlor and the office where it occasionally needs to be reset. This section still needs to have a new regulator put in. We would like to do a celebration for the burning of the mortgage. Maybe a pot luck. This will be discussed more in September since there is less going on then.

A gas line was damaged last year during a snow removal and needs to be replaced. Msgr. will see if Cenex will replace it for us.

The dandelions are needing to be sprayed. Tara is to call Corey Kritzberger to see if he is available to do this. It was discussed as to weather to do something with the landscape or not. The rocks are not the most attractive and some would like to have them removed. We are waiting on this till we are more financially stable.

It was discussed that we should see if anyone would be interested in keeping an eye on the church and what needs to be done on the inside and out. Or a sheet could be put up for people to write down things they see that need to be worked on or repaired.

There will be a ecumenical service for Summerfest. On that Sunday Mass will be cancelled at Our Lady of Peace and St. Agnes will have the early Mass.

Then next meeting will be on August 7th at 7:00pm.

Msgr. said a prayer to close.