

Parish Council Minutes April 26, 2010

In Attendance: Dave Schaefer, Anne Birrer, Doug Barger, Barb Razzano, Diane Wilson, Ruth Blom, Nick Zingarelli, Rob Schutter, Tim Snyder, Fr. Mike, and Rick Dieringer.

Absent: Joe Randolph, Deacon Dan Murphy

Guest: Fr. Del Staigers

Opening Prayer led by Doug Barger

Minutes from March 22, 2010 were read and approved.

Welcome Fr. Del – Parish Council welcomed Fr. Del. Fr. Del was very excited about his new appointment and is eager to meet the parishioners at St. Veronica. He will be starting his position as Pastor beginning July 1, 2010. “The parish exist to grow in holiness”

Building Addition Status – The process continues to move forward but we cannot break ground until permits are in hand. The start date for the new building addition has been delayed due to obtaining these permits. The next Union Township trustees meeting will be held in early May. We should have permits by mid-May.

Zoning - Currently the campus of St. Veronica is covered in 7 parcels. It was suggested by the zoning committee to consolidate 3 of these zoned B1 parcels into one on an overlay consolidation. Currently one of the parcel lines run through the middle of the Church. The Archdiocese currently owns this property and would have to agree on the overlay consolidation. Parish Council unanimously approved the motion to strongly recommend to the Archdiocese to consolidate the 3 parcels in question. This will have no effect in obtaining permits for the current project.

Festival Update Status – Rick continues to meet with the festival committee and plans are underway and running on schedule. A bulletin announcement listed current needs was posted. The marketing group is working on promotion of the festival.

Old Business

- **Elections** – Elections will take place the weekend of May 15/16 in the Parish Center after all masses. There will be 4 positions open on Parish Council (3- three year, 1 – one year) and 1 elected position on the School Board. Two appointed positions will also be open on the School Board. To date we have 5 individuals running for Parish Council and 2 running for the School Board. The deadline for turning in Nominations is May 3. Absentee ballots need to be returned to the Parish Office by Thursday, May 13. Nick Zingarelli is moving out of the parish and will no longer be running in this upcoming election. Dave Schaeffer will coordinate running the elections and will need assistance after all masses.
- **Signage** – Rob checked into getting electronic signage. The cost will vary depending on if there is conduit run to the current sign. Rob will follow up with Dan Kramer.
- **Kaldy House** – the house in question is now occupied and clean up has started.

New Business

- **Electronic Bells** – The Seniors group would like to have electronic bells installed outside of church. After consulting with Fr. Mike and Deacon Dan Murphy they have asked parishioners to pledge towards the cost of the bells. No bells will be purchased until the funding is secured. The current bid is for \$8800 dollars from the Verdin Co. Paul Ross is the St. Veronica Seniors contact person. The current policy states that we need to obtain 3 bids for anything over

\$2500. Due to the specialization of this project, a motion to accept only one bid was unanimously approved. Doug Barger will be contacting Union Township zoning to see if we need any permits for the outdoor speakers.

- **Business Manager Search** – A search committee has been formed to hire a new Business Manager. Members include Dan Straub (finance), Rob Schutter (Parish Council), Gina Code (Principal), Deacon Dan Murphy, and Peggy Johns (School Board). This group will do initial interviews. When down to three candidates, Fr. Del will join the process. Deacon Dan will be resigning his current position mid August.

- **Retirement Gathering for Fr. Mike** – The date has been set for Sunday, May 23. Fr. Mike will be the celebrant at the 11:30 mass and a reception will follow in the Parish Hall. The planning committee has met and plans are underway. Lex Chitwood (Lead Music Coordinator) will head up music for this mass.

- **Youth Ministry** – Rick Dieringer will talk with Molly Hartge about expanding the Youth Ministry program.

Next meeting is May 24, 2010. Doug Barger will lead us in prayer.
Meeting adjourned 9:20 pm.