

**St. Michael's Catholic Church**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**February 9, 2021 7:15 PM**

**Pastoral Guidance:** Fr. Christensen (Pastor), Fr. Fallgren (absent), Beth Strain (Parish Administrator—Cathedral)

**Pastoral Council:** Mike Peterson (Chair, PC term ends 6/20), Tanya Cooper (Secretary, PC term ends 6/21; Formation), Jeff Yeargan (PC term ends 6/22; Stewardship), Tom Neis (absent) (Vice Chair, PC term ends 6/21), Matt Pomarleau (6/22).

**P.C. Committee Members:** Fran Hengel (Finance Council)

Building Committee: Terry Sewell (absent), Leo Van Sambeek, Larry Schulte (absent)

**Finance Council:** Matt Snyder (Chair, absent), Dale Gadbois (absent), Fran Hengel (Secretary), Levi Van Sambeek (Vice chair, absent) Lance Catron (absent)

**Guests:** None

Opening Prayer—Fr. Christensen

Call to order: 7:15 PM

I. Approval of Minutes

A.) Jeff makes a motion to approve the Parish Council meeting minutes from November 10, 2021. Matt seconds. Motion carried. Parish Council meeting minutes from November 10, 2021 have been approved.

II. Finance Council Report

A.) Fran Hengel: In January--Savings is almost 100K. Collections good, plate collection is down. Renter is paying on time, three years left, no balloon payment.

a. Next meeting is in April, working on budget at that time.

B.) Beth: the insurance adjuster determined there was no damage to the roof from hail.

III. Stewardship Committee Report

A.) Jeff Yeargan:

1.) Nothing new to report.

IV. Faith Formation Committee

A.) Tanya Cooper: Nothing new to report.

V. Building Committee Report

A.) Leo—church classrooms needs more use than just the classroom--

1.) Four standalone classrooms with 9-foot ceilings. No hallways, adds a classroom. Hallway not necessary? Main entry would face east. Might not need to run a water line. Two classrooms could be atriums for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

a.) Wick would do standard engineering of the building. Restricted running north and south by the lot line--running east and west could be the same size as existing building. 8-10' breezeway, a culvert would go under the breezeway to create drainage.

b.) Wide open space could be beneficial without hallway (multi-purpose)

c.) "rural look" functional out building, economical price.

d.) Present proposal to diocese this month—concept, ballpark figures, reasons why we need it—Finance Council Rep, February 25 presbyteral Mike can represent for Pastoral Council.

## VI. New Business

A.) Sanctuary garden—tabled.

B.) Black Hills celebration with Will Graham: September 24-26. Catholic churches are involved with this event., could be first event at the Monument Arena. Some people will be unaffiliated—welcome the newborn or reawakened—we need a way to take care of the new, reawakened people.

C.) Website: <https://blackhills.billygraham.org>

D.) Gathering February 16, First Assembly on Highway 16 6:30-8:30PM—Will Graham will be there. Church engagement night.

E.) Fr. Christensen is encouraging all parishioners to attend the first session of Christian Life and Witness course (CLWC). These are sessions being hosted at Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, April 11 4PM to 6PM and at Cathedral on Wednesday April 14 at 9:30-11:30AM. These courses will teach us how we invite others into that relationship with Jesus Christ, how do we help those who walk through those doors. See website above for more details.

## VII. Old Business

A.) Parish vision/Mission statement to be discussed after Mass on Sunday Feb 14, at the table reflection/discussion, values of community, what kind of community do we want to become. Create skeleton of the statement. Bring back to pastoral council. Ending at 12:30PM.

VIII. Pastor's Comments: Feast of St. Joseph on March 19, could have Mass, and then stations of the Cross?

IX. Meeting adjourned at 8:02PM.

X. Next Parish Council Meeting: March 9, 2021 at 6:00PM.

XI. Closing Prayer