

St. Cletus Parish Council Meeting Minutes

July 23, 2018

In Attendance: Fr. Jim Benz, Jim Streit, Annie Dowdy, Deacon Mark McCarthy, Zeonia Christy, Jerry Stolin, Bill Weisrock, Ann Roussel, Steve Mamanella, Kim Hanneman

Excused: Jan Joeckel, Bev Frein, Beth Del Rosario, Ali Wells, Fr. Mark Whitman

Overview:

- Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm
- We introduced ourselves and addressed: “How do you come to the meeting?”
- Evening prayer (Zeonia Christy)
- Minutes from June 25, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved

Formation:

- Discussed pages 20-29 of Living as Missionary Disciples
 - Tabled discussion until survey information has been reviewed
 - Homework: pages 30-34 (finish book)

Guests:

- Pam Brown (Peace and Justice Committee)
 - Discussed 3 year plan on social teaching within the parish (recycling, getting rid of Styrofoam, better signage, educational materials)
 - Need more recycle bins at school and parish center
 - Discussed Republic Recycling – potential fieldtrip for students to learn about recycling
- Fr. Jim Benz (Adult Faith Formation)
 - Fr. Benz talked about Adult Faith Formation (what it is and what it does) 13 members, 5 yrs old
 - Discussed the book: Great Catholic Parishes which talks about the importance of parish surveys
 - Fr. Benz thinks CARA is the most helpful survey

Old and New Business:

- Steve’s fantastic MCU letter:
 - Jim Streit re-read Dr. Sneed’s letter. It seems to contradict her previous mention of ‘The Spot’
 - Discussed counseling services offered to schools. There should be greater awareness of the services offered by The Spot
 - Sr. Gail is involved with MCU. Ann will talk with her regarding our concerns
 - Ann will invite Sr. Gail to one of our Parish Council meetings
- Discussion of parish surveys
 - Gallup: personally developed, more expensive
 - CARA: 785 questions to choose from – helps to stylize the survey
 - Survey would be done during the homily (in the pews), and could later include school, PSR, online, mailings, word of mouth, etc.
 - Discussed pricing and timeline
 - Fr. Benz wants to move forward with CARA. Steve suggested following up with comments from several parishioners first. After we see the 785 questions, get input from School Board, PMD, PC and Adult Faith Formation

Pastor’s Time:

- Sound System: 3 bids, approx. \$50,000 for upgrades to church
- Roof on school is completed
- Parking lot resurface: postponed until October break or spring 2019
- HVAC: 36 yrs old, not zoned within parish center, need upgrades and brought up to code

Conclusion:

- Assignment: read pages 30-34 of Living as Missionary Disciples
- Zeonia Christy led our closing prayer
- Next meeting: August 27, 2018 @ 7:00