

**St. Francis de Sales Parish  
Pastoral Parish Council (PPC) meeting  
August 15, 2023**

**Present**

Fr. Mike Nartker, Bro. Paul Hoffman, John Bruening, John Mitchell, Scott Gueterman, Mary Kishman, Holly Schwein, Phil Louis, Jim Vogt, Susan Vogt and John Bange.

**Not Present**

Lee Burroughs

**Welcome and Opening Prayer**

Bro. Paul led Council with an opening prayer.

**Renewal Committee Update**

Jim Vogt updated Parish Council on the activities and accomplishments of the Renewal Committee. A report was emailed prior to the meeting.

Jim requested input from parish council on the future of the committee and suggested some of the activities could transfer to the Marianist Spirit Committee. The Renewal Committee would like to focus on social events and proposed renaming itself the Social Event Committee.

Feedback was positive and Jim proposed the idea of a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month event with food and a presentation topic. It was agreed to start with a Potluck event in the school cafeteria on Oct 29<sup>th</sup>.

Discussed supporting the Social Event Committee with parish communications utilizing email, the bulletin, the parish website and announcements.

**Audio Video Update**

Open discussion on the ongoing challenges with the new sound system.

Phil Louis has been working with ICB Audio to make adjustments.

John Bange gave feedback that participants at the Ukraine Prayer Service could not hear the guest speaker and visitors have commented that it is difficult to hear.

Phil Louis suggested additional training on the system as adjustments are being made when weddings and other events are held in the church.

**Financial Report**

John Mitchell brought a motion for council to approve the following resolution:

St. Francis de Sales Parish is committed to providing on-going financial support of various Social Justice Community Programs, to that end we will:

- Budget \$100,000 annually to fund the Bokenkotter Social Justice Grants Program.
- Make an initial investment of \$100,000 from Parish Reserves in the Archdiocese Catholic Values Long-Term Fund to help provide on-going funding for this important commitment.

Parish Council approved the resolution.

## **2023 Projects**

John Bruening brought a motion for council to approve 3 capital improvement projects.

- \$12,747.00 to SCHON Industrial and Wooley Electric Supply for lighting and electrical work in the church tower, attics and undercroft.
- \$18,380.00 to Flannery Painting for painting and staining the church exterior doors and all 5 vestibules.
- \$74,408.60 to Old World Plastering and American Scaffolding for plaster repair and scaffolding in the church interior.

Parish Council voted to approve the 3 projects.

## **Projects Awaiting Proposals**

John Bruening reported 3 capital improvement projects that he is getting proposals for.

- Tower louver replacements
- Tile floors in Vestibules
- Rectory Roof

## **Open Discussion**

Open discussion on Social Events at the parish.

**Meeting Adjourned.**

**Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 7PM.**