

Minutes of Pastoral Council Meeting
September 14, 2016

Attendees:

Fr. Roger
Joanne Boyko
Lou Hinds (chairman)
Kathy Greene (co-chair)
Rudy Gomez – (Chairman of Hispanic Ministries)
Ben Gutierrez
Jack Pierson
Christine Waldenmaier

Peter Regan - reporting on church renovations
Charlie Schmidt - reporting on the parking lot lighting

Opening Prayer: All joined in the opening prayer lead by Lou Hinds.

All the members of the council introduced themselves to Rudy Gomez the newest member of the Council.

Approval of the minutes – After reading over the minutes, the group approved the July 20th minutes as written. Jack Pierson moved to approve the minutes and Kathy Greene seconded the motion.

Parking Lot lighting – Charlie Schmidt

Jim Chapman has received the lighting fixtures, but is waiting for the poles to be shipped. The work should be completed by October 12th. He will lay out the path for the conduit and dig the bases for the poles this week so he will be ready for when the poles arrive. Lou Hinds commented that we must all be careful not to hit the three foot concrete base if parking here at night. Ben suggested that we put cones around the bases until the light poles are installed. The cost for the lighting will be \$25,900.00

Church Renovations – Peter Regan

We have the blueprints and contractors are still looking at them and preparing bids. We have two contractors right now and we are looking for a third. Once we get the bids in we will take them to the Diocesan Building and Renovation Committee (BARC) for approval of the project. The contractor we met with today has experience doing renovations for churches and is excited about the job. Right now we have about \$500,000 and have used some of that for the parking lot, lights and blueprints already. We expect \$100,000 more over 4 years from the Living Our Mission. The newly renovated Church will look similar to our current Church however will seat 100 more people and have a larger narthex (foyer). The entrance to the church will be in the front of the church, although the handicapped entrance will still be where the current entrance lies.

Route 13 Land Sale – The land was sold to the original buyer who finally came through and bought the land for \$135,000. We received \$125,000 net after costs. Parishioner Tom Murray was instrumental in pursuing this buyer and the council thanked him for his persistence.

Yard Sale – Kathy Greene

The Yard sale is scheduled for October 8th, rain date October 15th from 8-12:00 am. Four tables have been rented already. Donations will be accepted the week before for sales to benefit St. Peters. Lighthouse Ministries will accept anything that is not sold after the sale. Lou Hinds asked JoAnne Boyko to check if the church Hall would be free for people to bring donations for the sale.

Learning Center – JoAnne Boyko

The Diocese wanted to make St. Peters a Center for Communication and we submitted an application for a \$10,000 grant. Joanne found out that the cost of 4 tables and 10 chairs each would cost \$6000.00 alone. We have been granted \$3000.00. So instead of the tables and chairs, it was suggested that we replace our current chairs with new chairs and use our current tables. Peter Regan said that the chairs would be beneficial for our Church renovations also.

Joanne spoke with Eric Sund, in charge of IT for the diocese, and he said they have all the audiovisual equipment we might need. We will still need the faster networking cable installed by Verizon subcontractors which may cost up to \$400.00/month. Lou Hinds pointed out that the monthly service bill may be cost-shared by the Diocese. Peter Regan reiterated that we would have to have quite a few meetings or seminars to justify that monthly fee. Fr. Roger said that he would clarify what the Diocese wants to do for this project before it is presented to the Finance council.

Parish Hall Roof – Lou Hinds

This project is supposed to start tomorrow – 9/15. They will only strip off and re-roof as they can. We selected Jeff Lord and Brian Alfree as the two contractors. Jeff Lord does the soffits and fascia, Brian Alfree does the roofing. Tim Tilghman will do the gutters for an extra fee. Lou Hinds estimated that the job will cost \$35,000.00 and that the roof should last 50 years.

New AC compressor – Joanne Boyko reported that we have purchased a new compressor for \$2,800.00.

Hispanic Ministries – New ministry leaders have been elected and installation will take place on September 25th. Ben is looking forward to meeting with the new leaders after the installation and planning more activities for fundraising in the future. Ben plans to schedule a Fall Clean-up of the Parish Grounds after the new leaders are in place.

Peter Regan thanked the Hispanic Ministries for the \$20,000 that they have already donated for Church Renovation. Ben will be bringing another \$1,200.00 that they raised at the last family gathering dinner that they held.

Other Items of Importance-

Father congratulated Rudy Gomez as the new General Coordinator for the Hispanic Ministries. He thanked Ben Gutierrez for his hard work and his heart for the community. Fr. Roger said however that Ben should not rest, but that God has given him a special gift that he needs to continue to use for St. Peters. Fr. Roger thanked Peter Regan for helping with the Church Renovations. He also thanked Joanne Boyko for her work on the Learning Center improvements.

Fr. Roger asked if we could move the shed for the Hispanic Ministry to another location. After some discussion it was decided that we would check with Ernest Mejia to see if he had a lift and how we might move the shed.

Fr. Roger said the closing prayer. The next Pastoral Council Meeting will be October 12th at 7 pm.