

ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

St. James Parish Council Meeting April 25, 2019

(Minutes to be approved at July 2019 meeting)

COUNCIL MEMBERS

		Year Elected (term)	Roll Call
Fr. LeRoy Schik	Pastor		Present
Dennis Fagerstrom	Trustee		Present
Denny Floersch	Trustee		Present
Amanda Stramer	Secretary	2017	Present
Paul Hess	Vice-Chairman	2017	Present
Adam Meek		2018	Present
Maureen Vogel		2018	Present
Frank McKenzie	Chairman	2016	Present
Jackie Klinnert		2016	Present
Diane Gerst	Liturgy		Present
Kattie Meek	CCW		Present
Kattie Meek	Faith Formation		Present
Becky Roberts	Giving Hope		Present
Becky Roberts	Maintenance		Present

*Minutes were taken by Amanda Stramer

Visitors: Mary Jane Hay, Tim Baland, John

Fr. LeRoy opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes from January 24, 2019 corrected and approved

FR. LEROY'S MAILBOX

- Bishop meeting on January 30 about the reorganization
- Reorganization meeting on April 6 had to representatives from each church to create a plan by December 2019. Scott and Tom were in attendance
- Confirmation on April 7 in Battle Lake

OLD BUSINESS

1. New Water Softener (Denny)
 - a. Installed and Running

2. Wall Repair (Denny)
 - a. EB just needs to know what to do and he will make repairs
 - b. Dennis motions to put cedar paneling inside and more landscaping dirt outside. Paul seconds, MC

3. Playground Equipment (Paul)

- a. Bid two companies out of St Cloud and Fargo. Fargo was much more responsive and helpful. They quoted a similar set up at \$8,216.
 - b. Structure is not worth making repairs because it is too rotted and mossy
 - c. Denny motions to approve bid and ask parishioners for donations by a second collection and/or envelopes in the pews. Adam seconds, MC
 - d. Denny will make envelopes and put in the bulletin
 - e. Paul will talk to Bill about the playground
4. Handicap signs for parking lot (Dennis)
- a. Will be installed soon
5. Patio tables (Denny)
- a. Company to put a leg in the middle that can be removed.
 - b. Suggestion to put a sign or sticker that it is not a seat

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Committee (Dennis)
- a. Contract Review
 - i. Lawn care extended for one year
 - ii. Snow expires in July, open for bids
 - iii. Cleaning expires in July, open for bids
 - b. No red flags in the finances
 - c. Collections are down
2. CCW (Kattie)
- a. Had a good meeting
 - b. Mary Jane will be our President starting in July, Amanda as Vice president
 - c. Approved to order a new coffee maker and decanters
 - d. Purchased flowers for Mother's day, proceeds go to MCCL
 - e. We hope to have a speaker at our July meeting
 - f. Arlene will continue to send cards to the ill and hospitalized
3. Maintenance (Becky)
- a. The light switch issue will be fixed
 - b. Received two bids for a bi-annual furnace servicing (All Seasons at \$735 and Right Way Heating at \$550). Frank makes a motion to approve Right Way Heating, Paul seconds, MC
 - c. Received bids for carpet squares for the basement (Sealands at \$11,664 and Carpet Garage at \$9,765). Will revisit at our July meeting.
 - d. Septic is on schedule for maintenance
4. Giving Hope & Parish Liaison (Becky)
- a. Have had three requests since January, all accepted
 - b. More sheets have been printed and put by the mailboxes
5. Liturgy (Diane)

- a. Concentration on Holy Week
 - b. There was some coal that melted the carpet in the sacristy, wondering if there is additional carpet for replacement?
 - c. Will be in contact with Aaron on our training for funerals.
 - d. Kattie suggested going down to one lector, due to limited volunteers. Okayed to schedule one if needed.
6. Faith Formation (Kattie)
- a. On our last week
 - b. On May 5 we will have three making their first communion
 - c. Also have three confirmation students who will be gifted bibles and three graduates that will be gifted gas cards.
 - d. Working this summer on creating a "Tool Box" for each student. Each year they will receive new items that will build it to include bibles, prayer cards, rosary, holy water, and more. We hope to present the tool boxes in September and have them blessed before the snow-birds leave.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Awning/roof on patio
 - a. Paul and Dennis will submit a bid to the finance council for a Perola for the lower patio.
 - b. Possible special meeting.
- 2. Recycling Bins
 - a. County Hwy 1 will be under construction and we have been contacted to ask if they could place them on the Northwest portion of the West Parking lot. Temporary use is okayed.
- 3. Flower Beds
 - a. Julie Bless as requested to replace flower beds with minimum maintenance bushes and plants.
 - b. An announcement will be made and put in the bulletin for anyone interested in taking over the maintenance.
 - c. Bids will be taken for bushes/plants.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Adam will contact a home inspector to test for black mold in women's bathroom downstairs.
- 2. Request for volunteers for Summer Festival Committee will be put in the bulletin

Mary Jane presented a list of possible retreats with CMK for the year.

Fr. LeRoy closed the meeting with a prayer.

Next meeting July 25, 2019 @ 7:00 PM