

Corpus Christi Council Meeting Minutes
Semi Joint Meeting with Finance
May 9, 2018
6:30pm Parish Office Bldg./Multi-Purpose Room

Council Members Present: Brenda Bow, Bob Campbell, Chris Cossin, Autumn Dabrowski, Jennifer Klenk, Chip Matuszewski (late, with notice), Sharon Pagryzinski, Debby Schingeck, Pete Steyer (late), and Nick Wagner

Council Members Absent: Bailey Houle (youth rep.), Rita Fortin (with notice), Tim Slezak (with notice)

Ex Officio Members Present: Fr. Bob Kelm, Karen Polega, and Jan Spaulding

Ex Officio Members Absent: Mary Dierich, and Sr. Joann Plumpe

Also Present: Darlene Labean (Corpus Christi Athletic Association)

1. Call to Order by Chair Chris Cossin at 6:33

2. **Meditation:** Nick Wagner

3. Finance:

a. Presentation of Budget: Reviewed handouts of the budget provided by Finance. The budget is not subject to audit and does not need to balance. Churches generally do not have to follow generally accepted accounting principles. Once the books are closed, it was suggested to put a comparison of projected and actual budget in the bulletin. CSA is budgeted for a shortfall. It was asked if we should address CSA and the parish now or wait until the Diocese is settled down regarding the current legal issues.

b. Questions on budget: Several clarifications were made on the handouts regarding tithing and new breakdown/consolidation of line items.

c. Motion to approve budget: Approved by consensus.

d. Funeral Luncheons: In a handout given to the family it is stated that it is \$2.50 a head. It has become unclear and awkward for the funeral captains because no one knows if it is meant to be a donation or a charge. The office used to be in charge of collecting the fees and it is unclear how captains were given this duty. The wording will be changed in the handouts to suggest a donation can be given instead of asking a charge. If the family asks for a suggestion, a number will be given. Once a final number is reached, the office will be in charge of collecting the money.

e. Weddings: Currently there is a charge of \$150 to use the church for a wedding for all people using it. It was brought up to have a difference in charge for various people. It could be broken down as:

active, contributing parishioners pay \$150.

active, noncontributing parishioners, pay a higher amount (TBD)

non-members pay the highest amount (TBD)

The office will be calling other local parishes to find out what they charge to help us set our guidelines.

4. **Approval of Minutes** from April 11, 2018: Approved, no changes

5. **Pastor's Report:**

a. First Communion Mass: There were 9 children and about 150 people in attendance.

b. Sale of St. Hedwig: The 4th announcement will be in the bulletin this upcoming weekend. The Diocese is in charge of the sale. A call will be made in the coming weeks regarding the process. There are interested parties. The Bishop has the final say in the sale.

c. Sale of Fr. Emmett's House: There is not an extensive approval process for this house because it is not a church. It is to be sold as a residential home. Approval is still needed from the Diocese.

d. Update on Choir Railing: A final estimate has been given and approved. It is expected to be completed by May 31. Handrails on either side of the Altar will be installed at a later date. It was suggested that the carpet on the second step be changed to a different color for better perception of the steps.

e. 5 Year Plan: The Diocese needs a 5 year plan on where the Parish is heading. It is due in July.

6. Information items:

a. June Potluck: The ladies in the office -Karen, Mary Ann, and Jan- will assist with preparations. Invitations were given to all council and commission members. New members are also invited. The Boy Scouts are giving a presentation to all us at 7 pm.

7. Selection of New Members: Chris Cossin, Sharon Pagryzinski, Autumn Dabrowski, and Nick Wagner selected the new members out of the basket. See Attachment A for the complete list.

8. Discussion Items:

a. Amazing Parish: Stewardship has begun to take control of this process. They had a guest speaker from the Diocese to hear thoughts on what could be done. It was also suggested they talk to other local parishes. Chip Matuszewski heard a group of people called Companions of the Cross speak at a different parish. They help answer the awkward questions we face about our faith and beliefs.

b. Projector/Screen: A quoted price is about \$1,500 for a screen, sound system, and projector. A possible fundraiser at a local restaurant was also suggested. The owner is willing to hold something for us.

9. Commission Reports: Stewardship

10. Athletic Report: The picnic is June 8 and 9th. There will be no taco dinner on Friday as there was in the past. There will be a beer tasting by North Peak Brewery. Friday night is 80s night. There is a corn hole tournament on Saturday. The Christian Service commission is asking for tool donations for the missions and the Athletic Association will have a box for donations. They also will do a wheel barrow of cheer to raise funds for the projector. August 26 is the Corpus Christi golf outing at Bay County Golf Course. 44 families were given tuition assistance. It was a total of \$17,000 given. The robotics team did well. They received most of their \$5,000 entrance fee from donations from different parishes and the Coco Loco fundraiser.

11. Action Items:

a. Brenda Bow: Looking into how we can get Justified Quartet to our parish.

b. Chris Cossin: He will give information about the projector to Darlene.

c. Karen will get information about weddings and funeral luncheons.

12. Stewardship Prayer: All

13. Meeting adjourned at 8:54

Respectfully submitted,
Autumn Dabrowski, Secretary

Attachment A Bolded Red Names have been Selected to Serve

Faith Formation

Cathy McFarland – Yes 3 years

Janie Ouillette –Yes 3 years

Jerry Zirwes- Yes

Laura Lang - Yes

Stephanie Gerds – Yes 3 years

Jeff Arthurton - Yes

Sue Dieter- No

Frana Sommer - No

Stephanie Pietryga - No

Nancy Cossin - Alternate

Michael Wright - Alt. Alternate

Stewardship

Martha Rex 686-0786 - No

Liana Bachand 316-1361 - Yes

Rozanne Giunta 686-7747 -No

Josh Maurer326-3629 -No Answer

Worship/Liturgy

Wendy Augustyniak 892-2458 - Yes

Debbie Schingeck 460-7750 – Yes 3 years

Mary Sharp 893-7328 - Yes 3 years

Judy Schmidt 686-2426 – Yes Alternate

Sarah Zimmerman 684-4751 –Yes 3 years

Christian Service

Deb Schingeck 460-7750 -Yes

Beth Andreski

Lynda Witbrodt 684-2091 – Yes 3 years

Judy Wisniewski 671-9346 –Yes 3 years

Ilene VanOchten 671-1058 -No

Ruth Luptowski 225-0617 - No Answer 3 years

Parish Council

Mark Sebald 684-8556 – Yes Alternate

Bill Kolka 928-0452 - No Answer 3 years

Autumn Dabrowski 225-9654 - already serving

Roy Benjamin 684-9658 – Yes 3 years

Jennifer Klenk 274-0443 – Yes 3 years

Emily Houle 394-4220 – Yes 3 years

Tim Slezak by No Name - invalid nomination