

**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH (GSCP)
FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING
Templeton Center, Templeton, IA
January 15, 2025
6:00 pm**

PRESENT: Fr. Roder, Becky Vonnahme, Joe Behrens, Russ Riesenberger, Erin Sundrup, Julie Eich and Cindy Lawler

ABSENT: Joel Dentlinger, Janet Muhlbauer, Ann Schmitz and Kassie Wernimont

1. Prayer was led by Fr. Roder.
2. Joe called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting were** sent out to everyone on January 9, 2025, via email.

Russ made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2024 meeting.

Fr. Roder seconded the motion.

All approved.

4. Financial Reports

- a. Cindy added that \$7311.84 would be sent to Kuemper within the week to go toward St. Augustine's balance. This money is from the St. Augustine raffle proceeds, the silent auction and money received in collections that was specified to be used for the St. Augustine debt. This will put the St. Augustine debt balance at \$48,243.
- b. Becky questioned whether more money could be withdrawn from the St. Bernard Endowment fund with Ameriprise as she feels more interest should be available since no money was taken out in 2023. Father Roder and Cindy will get more details to the board about this account.

Erin made a motion to accept the Financial Reports.

Becky seconded the motion.

All approved.

5. Old Business

a. Breda School RFP

- i. Becky explained that she did have someone who was interested in the building, but that she had talked to him today and he said the project would be too costly.
- ii. Becky said she would prepare a new blurb for the bulletin.

b. Halbur Church Door Replacement

- i. Bids for new doors and tile at St. Augustine were shared. After reviewing the bids Father Roder asked the committee to check into what it would cost to have one of the doors have a panic bar, they're awaiting a bid.
- ii. People have pledged money to help with the cost of the new doors and tile.

Becky made a motion to approve moving forward with the new doors and tile repairs and as long as the cost remains within the discussed budget/pledges.

Erin seconded the motion.

All approved.

c. Development Director

- i. The position has been posted in the St. John Paul II bulletin.
- ii. Julie will add it to the Good Shepherd bulletin

d. Mt. Carmel building updates, fundraising and project progress

- i. The tuckpointing project has been completed

e. Sacred Heart Building Project Update

- i. Joe reported that the doors have been delivered, they just need to be painted and installed.
- ii. Carroll Glass will be working on the east door.
- iii. Father Roder will reach out to Dustin Heino at Catholic Mutual to check on the insurance claim check.

f. St. John's 150th Celebration Update

- i. Julie and Fr. Roder updated the council on celebration planning.
- ii. The committee is sending out a letter to recruit more volunteers within the next week.

g. St. Augustine and St. John's Rectories

- i. Nothing new to discuss.

h. Securities Cameras/Locking Churches

- i. Joe explained that Sacred Heart has asked Feld Security to give them a quote on cameras for the church.

6. New Business

a. Tuckpointing at Holy Angels

- i. Russ shared the bid amounts with the council.
- ii. After much discussion it was decided to go with the bid of \$125,000 from C&D Masonry in Rippey, IA. This bid included painting, but not the roof for the tower.

Joe motioned to approve going forward with having C&D Masonry do the tuckpointing at Holy Angels pending the approval of a resolution

Becky seconded the motion.

All approved.

b. Carroll County Emergency Management

- i. GSCP received a letter and Memorandum of Understanding from the CCEM asking that parish properties be available for use as shelters during a disaster.
- ii. There were many questions and much discussion regarding the letter.
 - 1. Not all GSCP locations were included in the letter
 - 2. Would the churches be used or just the schools/halls/gyms?
 - 3. How long would the facilities be needed, etc.
- iii. Cindy will contact Jeff Cullen from CCEM to get more information.

c. Dobson Pipe Organ builders did some maintenance on the organ at OLMC. They noted that the generator would need new brushes. Cindy will ask Ann if OLMC has a preferred electrician who could do the work.

- d. Cindy Lawler gave her letter of resignation to the council explaining her desire to retire this summer.
- e. Council members asked that the job opening be posted in the GSCP bulletin.
- f. Joe asked what rules/policies the cemeteries have in place as Sacred Heart received a request from someone to not have a marker placed on a grave and they wanted to know how to handle the request.

7. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. No other updates beyond St. John's celebration

8. NEXT MEETING

- a. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in Mt. Carmel.

Becky made a motion to adjourn at 7:27 p.m.

Fr. Roder seconded the motion.

All approved.

Respectfully submitted.

Cindy Lawler

| TASK TO BE COMPLETE | WHO WILL COMPLETE | DATE TO COMPLETE |
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| Send check to Kuemper for St. Augustine debt | Cindy | ASAP |
| Gather Ameriprise info on the St. Bernard "Endowment" | Cindy and Father | ASAP |
| Prepare a blurb for the bulletin regarding the RFP for the St. Bernard School building | Becky | ASAP |
| Add the Development Director position details to the GSCP bulletin | Julie | ASAP |
| Talk to Dustin Heino about the Sacred Heart insurance claim—when it will be issued. | Fr. Roder | ASAP |
| Contact Jeff Cullen at CCEM to get more information regarding the memorandum he sent out in January | Cindy | ASAP |
| Ask Ann if OLMC has a preferred electrician and if so would she contact them about getting new brushes installed on the generator for the organ | Cindy and Ann | ASAP |
| Add the bookkeeper job opening to the GSCP bulletin | Julie | ASAP |