

**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH
FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING
July 23, 2025, at 6:00pm
Templeton Center, Templeton, IA**

Present: Fr. Roder, Joe Behrens, Russ Riesenberg, Erin Sundrup, Becky Vonnahme, Janet Muhlbauer, Joel Dentlinger and Julie Eich

Absent: Kassie Wernimont, Ann Schmitz, Cindy Lawler

- 1. Joe Behrens called the meeting to order at 6:00pm**
- 2. Minutes of the previous meeting** were sent out via email to all council members

Erin made a motion to approve the minutes

Fr. Roder seconded the motion

All approved

4. Financial Reports

Janet questioned the balance in Account 51413 for Gas/Electric Halbur. Fr. Roder said that a possible pre-pay for propane could be the reason for the higher amount.

Kuemper Assessment: We will pay \$25,000/month. At this time we will not worry about the past debt due. If we happen to get ahead, we will give some to Kuemper.

Becky made a motion to accept the financial reports

Janet seconded the motion

All approved

5. Old Business

a. St. Bernard Church Roof

- i. The church has two roof leaks. Brincks Exteriors gave an estimate of \$5,000-\$10,000
- ii. Schaefer's previously shingled the church and were contacted. They estimated \$800-\$2,000 and will plan to fix in the next two weeks

b. St. Bernard School RFP

- i. Becky shared that the potential buyer was no longer interested. Becky will ask to be put on the agenda for the Breda City Council to discuss

c. St. Bernard "Endowment"

- i. Father Roder & Becky have not talked to anyone about the endowment. Father Roder will contact Pick to have a check cut for the earnings quarterly anything above the base amount.
 - ii. Becky suggested asking an attorney to make By-Law changes.
- c. New Doors and flooring at St. Augustine Church**
 - i. Janet updated the council that the doors have been installed. Rotert's will be replacing the sheetrock above the door. Cost of project will be between \$350-\$850. If the old doors don't sell by July 31, they will go to Quandt's for salvage.
- d. St. John 150th Celebration**
 - i. Julie reported that the planning committee will be meeting again on Thursday, July 31. Discussion was held on finding help for the Food Stand. Other items were discussed with the Council with many good suggestions.
- e. Security Cameras at Sacred Heart**
 - i. All the supplies are now here and ready to be installed. Joe has contacted the choir guys to help with this installation.
- f. Organ Repair-Sacred Heart**
 - i. Repairs have been completed on the organ.
- g. Holy Angels Tuckpointing**
 - i. Tuckpointing project has been completed. They will return in the fall to fix a hole.
 - ii. The clock has been taken down and repaired.
- h. Cindy's retirement**
 - i. Fr. Roder has interviewed a couple of more applicants. Hoping to hear back very soon.
- i. Relocation of Parish Office**
 - i. It was decided to pursue the option further before winter.
- j. Bishop's Circle meeting** was held on June 26 in Mt. Carmel. It went well and the Bishop made a good impression.

6. New Business

- a. It was decided by the Council to begin meeting every other month unless something important needs to be discussed and cannot be done through email.
- b. Two of the AC units at St. John are not working. Estimates are being sought from Schuette Electric
- c. Halbur Enterprise is asking to purchase land by the far north end of the Halbur Cemetery to square off their land purchase from the City of Halbur for their warehouse. Fr. Roder made a motion to approve this sale; Janet seconded it
- d. Julie asked if a new laptop could be purchased for the Arcadia office. Her current laptop is 8 years old. It was decided that she would go ahead and purchase from Computer Repair Service in Carroll.

7. Upcoming Events

- a. Fr. Roder will be on retreat in Schuyler, NE from July 28-31.
- b. St. Bernard will have a Family Fun Night on Sunday, August 3
- c. St. John's 150th Raffle
- d. St. Augustine will have a raffle this Fall again. Father will say a Mass on Sunday, Nov. 9

8. Next meeting

- a. Wednesday, September 3, 2025 in Mt. Carmel at 6pm

Fr. Roder closed the meeting with a prayer.

Becky made a motion to adjourn

Russ seconded the motion

All approved

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted, Julie Eich, Administrative Assistant