



**St. Luke's Parish Council  
Thursday September 12, 2019  
7:10 PM Conference Room**

Attendees: Mary Johnson (via phone), Shani Wahl, Tonya Althaus, Jennifer Joensen, Judy Jones, Gary Olson, Jason Richards, Brian Werner, Dana Bastian Father Ken, Deacon Fred, and Deacon Don

Not Present: Deacon Matt

Guests: Teresa Busch

Opening Prayer was given by Father Ken and all members were present. Mary Johnson collected contact information and will send it out to all council members

1. Teresa Busch provided an overview of Oxtoberfest which is October 12, 2019 from 2-8pm. There will be a link <https://www.saintluketheevangelist.org/oxtoberfest> for people to sign up for activities and to help. All information can be found at this website. Please pass the word.
2. Oxtoberfest funds were discussed and it was decided that ideas should be submitted to Father Ken. Once accounting for the day is complete, we can see what we can assist with within the parish. This year's monies will go to assist the parish needs. Father committed to keeping record of expenses and funds so we can have an accurate accounting this year for our parish.
3. Judi Jones volunteered for the Council's Secretary position. This will be a yearly rotation. Thanks Judy!
4. Discussion on the Parish Council Definition resulted in a few minor changes. Mary will make these changes and send out to the members. A motion was made by Tonya Althaus to accept the definition as amended and was seconded by Shani Wahl. All voting members voted in agreement.
5. Brian Werner discussed the Digital Directory for the Parish. It is ready to roll out. Brian will meet with Vicki Gilloley to understand the Life Touch contract and to gain her assistance with the roll out. He will report at the next meeting.
6. Dana Bastian was asked to work directly with Vicki Gilloley to provide feedback from the meetings. This should foster a closer tie with parish activities.
7. Church, kitchen and gym rental was discussed. Tonya Althaus reviewed existing documents to the Diocese document. It was decided when we move forward, we will move to the Diocese forms with little changes as needed to fit our parish. An inspection was done in the kitchen on 9/12/19. We will need certification for kitchen use going forward. We also need to expand our parish grounds restrictions to include no vaping, no drugs, to the current no smoking. The council tabled moving forward with any changes to documents at this time. It was also agreed to that the rental now and until it is re-opened will include rent only to athletic events. We will keep it only for SLTE members for weddings and baptisms. Other requests need to be run by Father for approval. Father will also speak to the Facilities team for assistance during events. We currently do not have the staffing required for other events or outside requests. Father will report back.
8. Donuts Sunday's will remain the 1<sup>st</sup> week-end of the month. Other groups interested are not ready to lead an effort to expand to additional Sundays. The council will review if the topic rises again.



9. Mary read the Social Concern's meeting notes to the council. On Sept 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a presentation "Emotional/Mental Health and Wellness at St Luke's. On October 8<sup>th</sup> a Meals from the Heartland event will be held. Future events include Catholic Worker House monthly lunches, a winter apparel drive and hope to continue a sister relationship with Sacred Heart church in Pine Ridge, South Dakota.
10. Father Ken spoke of 2-3 women's groups starting in the parish. As always space is an issue for all groups. He also announced he was starting a 2X/year blessing of expectant mothers. The first will be the weekend of November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Father then gave an update on the sale of land around SLTE. This is all still pending but SLTE should still have approximately 33 acres of land. Finally, Father Ken talked about possibly changing mass times in the coming year. Sunday, 6pm may be moved up to 4:30 or 5. This would give him time to meet with other priest's for fellowship Sunday evenings which he had to give up. Also, may look at other times for daily mass.

Closing Prayer was said by all.

Next meeting is October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:10pm in the office conference room.

Respectfully submitted by Dana Bastian , parish council member

***Meeting Summary for the Bulletin and Website:***

*The Parish Council welcomed new members in their September meeting. Jason Richards, Judy Jones, and Jen Joensen were elected to serve until August 2022. The Council reviewed the rental policy for the Parish ensure alignment with the Diocese. A digital directory for the Parish is being planned and will roll out soon. A report on activity surrounding Oxtoberfest was given by Teresa Busch. Please consider volunteering at one of the many stations. Go to: <https://www.saintluketheevangelist.org/oxtoberfest> for more information.*