

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 8/25/19

Time: 7 pm

Location: Adult Meeting Room

Attendees: John Dwyer (Chair), Father Adam, Dean Brauner, Aaron Thompson, Jason Lewis, Susan Straub, Teague Ridge, Cindy Robinson, Frank Marx, Mike Lally, Theresa Garrett

- Father opened with a prayer.
- Each member introduced themselves (parish involvement, years in parish)
- John reviewed the “Role of the Parish Council (PC)” document (attached)
- John and Jason reviewed the Discernment project:
 - History: prior expansions and renovations, facilities review, listening sessions, generation of wants/needs list, engagement with architect, renderings, high level cost estimation
 - Current status: on hold pending Father Adam’s education and assimilation
 - PC discussed the St Raphael and Holy Trinity initiatives
 - Father indicated that need for additional meeting space was compelling
 - Next Steps:
 - *John to forward historical documents to Father*
 - *John to invite Pat Murphy to next PC meeting*
- Roundtable discussion on “How we work together with Father”:
 - PC members should listen and bring back opinions of the parish to the council (in spirit of dialogue and open communication)
 - PC will serve as the “voice of reason” for the parish
- Go Rounds:
 - Father discussed feedback regarding homily audio concerns – some parishioners cannot hear the sermon. This issue is being reviewed.
 - Father discussed the process at the end of communion and a forthcoming communication to the Eucharistic Ministers.
 - John solicited sign-ups for the 8/27 and 8/28 post mass fellowship hosted by the PC.
- Father closed the meeting with a Blessing

Next meeting is scheduled for 7 pm on 10/17 in the Adult Meeting room.