

**ST. LAWRENCE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**APRIL 23, 2019 (Approved August 27, 2019)**

STAFF/COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Pastor – Fr. Tony Smith  
Pastoral Assoc. – Bill Unruh

Chairperson – Joe Rickert  
Vice Chair – Matt Rasche

Formation – Vicki Neuner (excused)  
Worship – Dave Dalton (excused)  
Finance Council – Joyce Nelson  
Seniors – Paul Graf (excused)  
Personnel Committee – Gena Rasche  
Stewardship – Charlotte McClamroch (excused)  
NDA – Dee Dee Nauert

AT LARGE MEMBERS

George Morse  
Kenny Nauert, Sr.  
Marian Hendricks  
Denise Ruffra  
Marilyn McNeill  
Danny Atzinger  
Julianne Davis  
Josh Riley (excused)

Alternate:  
Mary Doris McCubbins (excused)

Fr. Tony opened the meeting with a prayer. March meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Danny Atzinger, with second by Kenny Nauert.

**PASTOR’S REPORT**

- Neighbor’s property on Rockford Lane – Owner has paid the liens. Property is ~ 1/3 acre. Waiting for Kevin Martin to advise cost to survey, transfer, record, cleanup the property, before final decision made. Possible site for NDA playground. Gena suggested applying for a grant to help finance playground.
- Judy Stinson will be staying on staff 1 more year, instead of retiring this year.
- St. Denis property was sold - Fr. Peter Bucalo will donate \$10,000 to NDA endowment fund.
- Finances – Need budget approval – see details below, as advised by Joyce Nelson.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance – Joyce Nelson

- Tithing down by 9.4%. Staff is cutting back wherever possible.
- BUDGET - Joyce distributed a copy of the proposed budget for review, and explained the Cathedraticum Tax is 7%, with 1% going to Catholic Charities to help with building new headquarters, as discussed last month.
  - NDA pays rent to St. Lawrence, and parish pays bills and maintenance costs.
  - Archdiocese depends on Cathedraticum tax, CSA, and Parish assessment to run.
  - CEC has cash flow problem due to low enrollment. Need more review of CEC budget.
  - Need to adjust final budget numbers to balance to zero. Will send back out after adjustment. Budget will be implemented July 1. Council voted to approved budget, after motion by George Morse, with second by Joe Rickert.
- Picnic is scheduled for June 7 & 8. Picnic Committee is meeting next on Monday, April 29 in Parish office. Need booth captains. Grand prize is \$10,000 (50/50 split) & chances also for Great Wolf Lodge. Tent, plants, entertainment on schedule. Chances are ordered, and will need help to prepare chances to distribute to parishioners, as in past.
- Republic Bank advised the Booster checking account has been inactive for 18 months. Need to use or close. Joe Rickert suggested Joyce let Shannon Meiman know, and suggested account be closed.

Chairperson’s Report – Joe discussed need for 1 at large member, and 1 alternate. 3 members whose terms were ending June 2019 agreed to continue, to allow for better transition with new Pastor (George Morse, Danny Atzinger, Julianne Davis). Matt Rasche will put notice on Facebook to ask for interested parishioners, and Joe will contact person who listed Parish Council on stewardship form.

Booster Club – Joe gave thanks to all families who made the Fish Frys a success. Suggested change end time to 7:30 pm next year, instead of 8:00 pm. Littles soccer going on now. Golf scramble is planned for summer.

Stewardship – Need to acknowledge/reward servers. Suggestion made to have donuts once a month.

Faith Formation – Bill Unruh

- The RCIA candidate, Abigail Evans joined at Easter Vigil Saturday, April 20. There are 2 inquirers for next year.
- Confirmation is scheduled for Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 PM, with reception after in the gym, with Archbishop Kurtz.
- DiCaFF – Closing Mass is Wednesday, April 24 at Incarnation, with Fr. Peter Bucalo presiding.
- Vacation Bible School is scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> week of June at Incarnation.

Social Concerns – Bill reported ongoing ministry to sick/homebound, and bereavement meals for funerals.

Notre Dame Academy – Dee Dee Nauert

Students did very well at KUNA. Derby week festivities coming up, week of April 29. Several families have toured NDA recently. NCEA Conference in Chicago – teachers attending Danielson Workshop, framework for teaching. Had talk from representative today on using that model. There are 3 assistant positions open at NDA.

Parish Discernment – Dee Dee reported Committee met April 8. Went through Stewardship booklet to divide ministries into categories. Next meeting in June 10 at 6:30 pm.

Worship – All of Council agreed the Holy Week services and music were great.

**Old Business** – Fr. Tony’s last day as pastor of St. Lawrence is June 10. He advised he will move out of the house June 1, to allow time for cleaning, painting, before Fr. Bill moves in.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Fr. Tony advised Mrs. Clara Zoeller’s 90<sup>th</sup> birthday is June 8; the Zoeller family is planning a celebration, but it will not be at St. Lawrence, due to Picnic day. Fr. Tony asked Council to think about how the Parish could honor Clara and her late husband, Bob. Suggestion made to talk to her daughter for ideas.

Joyce asked that Parish Council members help to receive food and place on tables for Fr. Tony’s party on June 2.

Motion to adjourn made by George Morse, with second by Danny Atzinger. Meeting was adjourned with everyone praying The Lord’s Prayer.

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019.**

**(NOTE: May meeting cancelled by Fr. Tony; June meeting cancelled by Fr. Bill. July meeting was a “meet and greet” with Fr. Bill.)**

Respectively submitted,  
Dee Gossman