

St Benedict Parish Council Meeting Minutes



Date: March 09, 2010

Time: 1905-2100 MST

Parish Director: Deacon Sherman

Chairperson: Mike Force

Vice-Chair: Fred Murillo

Council Secretary: Mary Preston

Council Members:

David Dalton

Jeannie Berens

Doug Stepanek

Mike Force

Jeff Klimek

Mary Preston

JD Ross

Fred Murillo

Joe Gustofson

Doug Burrer (Finance committee)

Topic	Discussion
Opening Prayer	Deacon Lynn Sherman opened with The St. Benedict prayer.
Motion to excuse missing council members	J. D Ross was absent and was voted as excused. Motion approved
Review and Approval of Minutes from last meeting	Reviewed Minutes of March 9, 2010. All present approved minutes after a few noted corrections were made.
Guests:	Calvin Murillo
<u>Reports</u>	

Mike Force
Topic:
Review of written Reports

- Facilities (Joe)
- New keys for the closet at the worship space are in the process of being made and will be handed out when finished.
- Health (JD)
- No report from Health Ministry
- Security (JD)
- JD wants to put a map of the sex offenders in our Parish area on the St Benedict web-site.
- Knights of Columbus (Jeff)
- Subject : Alcohol at KOC Social Engagements
 - Intention is to serve alcohol as part of council social engagements, with the following conditions;
 - 1. There will be at least one individual at each occurrence that will serve (tend bar) this person will not drink.
 - 2. Excess will not be tolerated. The server will decide what constitutes excess.
 - 3. Clean-up will be accomplished by the KOC council.
 - 4. The appropriate insurance coverage is being pursued and should be in place within six weeks.
 - Parish Council approved conditionally after insurance is in place.
 - A Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfast is being planned for sometime in April.
- Liturgical (Mary)
- Schedule for Holy Week: Father Larry Brennan has agreed to be Presider.
 - Holy Thursday – April 1, 2010 7:00 p.m.
 - Washing of the feet, and Mass of the Lords Supper.
 - Holy Friday – April 2, 2010 7:00 p.m.
 - Lord's Passion, display of the Cross. No Mass, only The Host is served.
 - Holy Saturday – April 3, 2010 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
 - Easter Vigil Mass, lighting of the fire, lighting of the single white candles, Mass
 - With 5 readings and the Gospel.
 - Easter Sunday: - April 4, 2010 8:00 a.m.
 - Font to be moved to the shed at the Patriot Learning Center.
- Religious Education (Mary)
- As per an article in the Catholic Herald, the Bishop talks about lowering the age for students to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. St Benedict Religious Education will be transitioning next year in order to comply with the Bishop's request. Nothing definite concerning whether it will be 7th or 8th grade.
- Women's Group (Jeannie)
- The bus trip to the San Luis valley for the Stations of the Cross was cancelled. We didn't get enough people to sign up. We needed a minimum of 48 people. A trip in the Spring may be better, the weather will be warmer.
 - There are several Prayer Shawls ready. The Prayer Shawl Group needs to know when, where and how to distribute them.
- Outreach (Dalton)
- DeeDee Murillo is currently taking names of families who need food baskets for Easter. She will continue to add names to the list until Sunday, March 21, 2010.
 - Baskets for Easter need to be assembled and ready for pick-up for delivery by March 27th.
 - The regular budget for Easter food baskets is \$350.00.
 - The baby shower to benefit the Life Support Center provided a much smaller total donation than previous year's, we gave 24 jars of baby food as compared to over 400 in previous years. The cause could be due to the time of year, or the economic situation.
 - The Life Support Center is now in a building connected to the Marian House. Donations can be made at their loading dock for a one-stop donation drop.
- Respect for Life (Dalton) No Report

Doug Burrer Topic: Parish Finance Report	Doug reviewed the finance report. See March 4 th 2010 Finance report for details.
OLD BUSINESS	
Mike Force Topic: Council members rotating off	Council Members, David Dalton, Fred Murillo and Jeannie Berens (sitting in for Ron Stark for the remainder of his term) will be leaving the Parish Council in June. Deacon Sherman encouraged the remaining members to ask parishioners if anyone would like to volunteer their time to serve on the Pastoral Council. Selection to be made in May, to serve starting in July.
Deacon Lynn Sherman Topic: Plaque for Ron Stark	The recognition plaque for Ron Stark's service on the Pastoral Council is being made and will be awarded in the coming weeks.
NEW BUSINESS	
Mike Force Topic: Rocky Mountain Men's Conf.	- Rocky Mountain Men's Conference. March 20, 2010. The venue will be moved from Holy Apostles to the Pikes Peak Center to accommodate the increase expected. It has grown each year.
JD Ross Topic: Portable PA System donation	- The Council members agreed that this donation of the PA system would be accepted - From JD Ross.
Mike Force Topic: Parish Fish Fry	- The Parish doesn't have the facilities for this event - It's not feasible to hold it outside because of food preparation. - We are unable to use the Patriot Learning Center's kitchen - Different options were talked about, such as renting a place or having it in a park. - Plans were tabled for now, Further discussions are planned for the next meeting.
Topic: Credit Card payment for monthly tithing	This can be done though Holy Apostles at this time. Deacon Lynn said he would make sure that it is put back in the bulletin.
Mike Force Topic: Formation of a St. Benedict Building Steering Committee	- No Report
Director's Report	
Deacon Lynn Sherman Topic: Directors Report	- No Report
Deacon Lynn Sherman Topic: Closing Prayer	Deacon led the council in closing prayer and a blessing.
Adjournment:	Meeting ended at 9:00 pm Next Meeting Location: Parish House Date: April 13, 2010 Time: 7:00pm (1900) MST