

Tri-Parish Council Minutes  
May 14, 2008

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Members Present: Mark Brigham, Bill Neumayer, Fr. Les Kish, Deb Snyder

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm. Bill led the opening prayer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion to approve the minutes of the 4-24-08 Tri-Parish Council meeting was made by Bill. Motion seconded by Deb. Because there was not a quorum Bill will take a phone poll of absent council members on all motions on the floor this meeting. Motion carried

**Review and discuss financial report for building project:**

The council reviewed & discussed the building project financial report of expenses to date submitted by Jacquie Haener. This report is a current & all inclusive report. The council further reviewed the most recent statement for \$59,550.33 submitted for payment by MCM Architects. The building committee has reviewed, approved and forwarded the statement to the council for approval and payment. The council also discussed payment of CCS' monthly fee for May 2008 in the amount of \$27,500.00 for the feasibility study.

Bill asked for approval to pay these two statements in the amount of \$87,050.33. Deb so motioned. Mark seconded the motion. Because there was not a quorum Bill will take a phone poll of absent council members on all motions on the floor this meeting. Motion carried.

Fr. Les directed these statements be paid by the parish that has not previously paid project bills. It is believed that will St. James. Bill will follow up with Jacquie Haener for clarification of previous amounts paid. A determination of previous payment sources and amounts will dictate how payment in full for the two statements will be made. Bill has attempted to speak with Pat Crisler at the diocese in regards to project loans; unfortunately those communication attempts have gone unanswered to date. Bill will continue to make further attempts to contact Pat. Bill asked the council to set a limit on how far we draw down our savings. Fr. Les stated it is recommended parishes keep six months operating expenses in savings. The council recommends not drawing the savings below \$500,000.00 (six months operating expenses).

Deb asked what the ceiling was on CCS for the capital campaign. The terms outlined in the proposed contract were reviewed.

**Update Larry Hellhake**

Bill & Larry have had the opportunity to follow up Larry's 4-24-08 meeting with the council. Since that meeting Larry has insured all deeds and property descriptions are accurate and in order.

Larry has requested assessments of all three properties for internal appraisals. When Larry has those, he will meet with the council go over the results. He will be prepared to give estimated values of the properties. The Tri-Parish Council will need to be prepared to make marketing decisions in regards to the properties. He will plan to meet with parties who have indicated an interest in our properties at that time. Larry plans to have this information by June 2008.

**Review of Building Committee**

The building committee was meeting simultaneously to listen to and to address community inquiries in regards to the interior of the church.

Deb has heard from several people asking for figures on the current set of designs. Fr Les thought the next figure we would get could possibly be after Kenaston has submitted its cost analysis.

Deb raised the point that where the two side chapels in the church are their for the purpose of representing Our Lady of Lourdes and St. James, that St. Stanislaus being given something that their parish community feels honors them.. Whether or not that is the sheep gate or some other representation, could possible come from the St. Stanislaus faith community. Deb expressed she felt we should spend some time to get some feedback from the St. Stanislaus community. The council will seek input from absent council members.

**CCS—Report**

Bill and his wife, Kathy met with Tiffany for an interview. He reported on that experience. The council was brought up to speed on the process of the feasibility study.

**Review of Finance Committee:**

The finance committee is meeting on 5/19/08. A highlight of their agenda was given. Bill expressed if Tri-Parish Council members want to attend the meeting, they are welcome. Council members will not interfere with the finance committee.

Deb relayed she was impressed with Tiffany Lake, CCS representative in Lewiston conducting feasibility study; in the committee meeting she attended. Deb further stated Tiffany seems very professional. There is positive feedback from folks who have interacted and been interviewed by her.

Bill asked Fr. Les if there was anything else the council can do to support him. Fr. Les asked for prayer.

At this point in the meeting the council went into executive session to discuss organizational administration plans for the new parish.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Tri-Parish Council will be held on June 11, 2008 at 5:15 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Gail Estes*