

All Saints Pastoral Council Minutes/Notes
April 23, 2014

Council Members: Bill Steiner, Joe Kaufman, Ken Jacks, Johanne Schmidt, Karen Edmondson, Sarah Schumaker: Building Rep: Kevin Poole

Guests: Larry Hellhake

Opening prayer: Bill Steiner led the opening prayer.

- **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the March 26, 2014 meeting were emailed prior to the meeting.

The minutes were not voted on as there was not a quorum.

- **Building Report: Larry Hellhake & Kevin Poole:**

Larry Hellhake was invited to speak to the council by Fr. Brad to address two items.

1. Building project financial shortage.
2. The undeveloped property at St. James as potential building lots.

Larry Hellhake addressed these two issues:

The Diocese is committed to a 20 yr. long term loan for \$3 million as previously noted. In addition the diocese will extend a short term loan for the building project financial shortage.

In regards to the undeveloped property at the St. James site, he believes it can easily become 5 street facing building lots and one flag lot without any rezoning. The question becomes whether it is seen as an asset or hindrance to prospective buyers.

Can the property be developed into building lots? Yes.

Should this be pursued? This is an All Saints decision.

Larry can make a good argument to go either way. The fact that the diocese is going to loan the projected project deficit means the need to sale lots is not that immediate.

Bill Steiner asked Larry if the diocese had good luck selling church properties. Larry replied yes-but how long before they sale is a variable.

The sale of St. James is the answer to our financial issues. Sarah asked Larry if St. James is overpriced. Larry responded no, it's appraised at \$1.4 million and listed at \$1.2 million, it is not overpriced, just needs a buyer.

Karen asked since the initial project was one single project, why is it now seen as two separate projects in relation to fundraising for building the school.

Larry speculated it may be because building had to be done in two stages. He acknowledged ASCS is between a rock and a hard place.

Ken stated he believes the parishioners feel they are in a double taxation situation faced with the All Saints Capital Campaign and the Diocesan Capital Campaign.

Sarah sought clarification from Larry about what was in the sales contract in regards to personal property at the St. Stanislaus property. Larry stated all personal property is All Saints. If we take a fixture (i.e. an attached light) it has to be replaced, everything else is considered personal property. Larry advised Sarah to set up a meeting with SJRMC to go over any questions, if there are any lingering questions he will come to Lewiston for a meeting.

Kevin reported the project is on track. Finish work in the nave is 90% done. Recent progress includes the paneling behind altar being completed, mosaic in the baptistery done, work will start on altar flooring this week, social hall carpet is done and the windows in the social hall are washed. The base trim in the office area is being worked on today; grading has started on the west side for sidewalk, beginning to see irrigation lines going in.

The building site for the school is going to need to be seeded with grass for weed control. To keep the grass watered will require running a line off our system at an approximate cost of \$2,800.00 – weed spray etc.

will probably be about another \$1,200.00, if these steps are not taken we run the risk of voiding the landscaper warranty.

Kevin further reported Kenaston expects to be done and occupancy should be granted mid-June. He has negotiated a lower cost for installation from the phone company. The May 15th sound system training will need to be rescheduled to accommodate schedules. Ken suggested the training be videotaped. Training for the kitchen is on hold for, waiting to hear for rescheduled date. Lights, HVAC, PA system, security & phone systems will have trainings for key people.

The possibility of moving the organ at St. Stanislaus as a temporary measure until a new organ can be purchased brought to light several areas of concern: wiring would be an additional expense, not sized for the space, existing speakers not sized for the space, organ electronics is old and brittle creating a very delicate moving process. The cost of a new organ is estimated at \$120,000 to \$130,000.

- **Parish Administrator-Sarah Schumaker:**

Sarah distributed the 2nd draft of the projected 2014/2015 budget. She noted there were very minimal changes from Draft 1 previously reviewed by the council. Finance has reviewed it. May 14, 2014 will be a joint meeting with the Finance Committee.

- **Pastors report-Fr. Brad Neely:**

No report.

- **Art & Statuary -Joyce Majure:**

Joyce the committee is meeting regularly. Adapting existing Stations of the Cross for use at All Saints is being worked on.

- **School Report-Karen Edmundson :**

Karen reported First Communion is May 4th and 11 ASCS children will be receiving their first communion. There are 10 ASCS alumni being confirmed on April 29th. Easter Vigil saw many ASCS connect children and adults receiving a variety of sacraments. ASCS Spring Sing Concert will be held on May 15th at the Lewiston High School auditorium. May 16th is the Strive to Drive drawing.

- **St. James celebration July 25th: Bill Steiner**

Bill reported the event will most likely be a luau. A committee will be formed and meeting in the near future.

Joan Hogan & Cara Snyder are chairing the celebration event at St. Stanislaus. The last Sunday in August after mass is a working date.

- **Other Business:**

Bill asked if others have seen negative comments on Facebook regarding the All Saints building. No other members have seen the comments.

Ken informed the council the US Catholic recently ran an article "The Pews are Alive" the article states over half the Catholics surveyed were not happy with the music. The music ministry coordination committee will be looking at this issue at their next meeting.

The council went into executive session.

- **Schedule Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the council will be May 14, 2014 at 5:30 pm in the formation room at St. James and will be a joint meeting with the finance committee.

Closing Prayer:

The council closed their meeting in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Estes