

Spirit of Life Parish Council Minutes  
December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Present: Fr. Chad, Dan Leingang, James Gustafson, Don Hruby, Shirlene Schafer

Absent: Pam Treib, Pam Mack

- I. Call to Order by Dan Leingang at 7:07 PM
- II. Opening Prayer was led by Fr. Chad
- III. Review of Agenda – nothing to be added
- IV. Secretary's Report – Moved by James and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don to approve minutes as printed. Motion carried.
- V. Parish Update –
  - a. Fr. Chad reported that Tony Ternes is doing a wonderful job as the Religious Coordinator with concentration mostly on Baptism and Reconciliation.
  - b. Donuts are also a big hit after each mass.
- VI. Old Business –
  - a. Fr. Chad was very pleased with the 40 hour devotion program last week. Members shared their thoughts and experiences. Everyone felt that this program should be held at least twice a year. Fr Chad is planning the 40 hour devotion during Lent.
  - b. By-Law changes – members liked the wording for the by-law change dealing with vacancies but could not be voted on due to the 21 day waiting period after receiving the proposed change. Dan will place the proposed changes on the January agenda.
  - c. Prayer requests for Fr. Chad and Fr. Josh – Shirlene moved, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don that we present the proposal to the finance council sending money for masses to the Abbey in Richardton for the months of January, March, April and June in honor of our priests at Spirit of Life. Dan and whoever is available to attend the next meeting about ½ hour early may assist with the proposal. February and May masses are being said at St Joe's sponsored by Deb Rath. Motion carried.
- V. New Business-
  - a. Devotional Space – Fr. Chad presented the council with a drawing of the Holy Family and would like to renovate the coat closet and resource room into one and turn into a prayerful room for members to

go and spend time in prayer. The council was very pleased and supported the idea.

- b. Fr. Chad showed us the process that will be implemented on Sunday to make communion flow more smoothly. The side's aisles are taking too long at communion time.
- c. Fr. Chad also announced that the Mary stained glass window should be in next week.

Respectfully Submitted  
Shirlene Schafer, acting Sec.