

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Council Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2012

The Parish Council meeting was called to order by Father Peter at 7:00PM with opening prayer.

Because she is out of town on business, President Sue Miller was absent from the meeting.

Business Manager Lee Valente announced attendance has increased about 11% from last year. Father announced he now has support with another priest being assigned to the Parish for a few months.

The Our Catholic Appeal kick-off luncheon meeting is Thursday, January 26th.

Respect Life coordinators need more support from volunteers – please e-mail Lee if you can help. Stewardship Sunday volunteers are needed, as well. Please e-mail Lee.

The meeting then turned to the “Town Hall” session regarding the building status of the new church. A visual slide show (attached) was presented by Frank Kosa and John Cossart regarding the Diocese working with our parish’s Building Committee. The architectural firm is working with the parish’s Building Committee to prepare a design criteria package which will be submitted to 3-5 contractors. An estimated time frame is set for the submission of bids, for design and price to be reviewed by the Diocese and Parish for selection. The design and price will determine selection of a contractor. The projected cost is \$5.5 million.

Alive In Christ allocations and financial cash flow was given by Jerry Rourke.

Father asked for members to send e-mails to the parish office regarding their suggestions, recommendations and support so they can be sent to the Diocese. Construction of our new church depends on your continued support and participation in the Alive In Christ campaign. Also, Father Peter asked for prayers to support the building of this new church. There will be another progress meeting in future months.

The next Parish Council meeting will be Monday, April 23rd.

Due to the ‘Town Hall’ session regarding the new church building, the various committees did not give a verbal report. Attached are the written reports from the various Coordinators.

Father gave the closing prayer at 9:00PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy D. Kampnich, Volunteer

Attachments: 7 reports

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Altruistic Reports: The following written reports were submitted -

Altar Servers: Currently all masses are covered with eighteen trained servers and one in training. We always welcome new volunteers for summer months when seasonal members return north.

CHOIR: Dawn DiNome put in a request to hold a CD release concert in April, proceeds would be split, half would go to the building fund. The sound board gets turned on/off improperly during the week, levels get moved. Please contact Dawn – she can show how it should be used properly. Requesting the sound system in the new church be considered as the current one is not ideal. The choir is growing, we currently have two – our goal is to condense into one, consisting of about forty people at present.

EMHC: We have a new Coordinator – James Wilson. A new database has been initiated of all EMHC's with vital information, a/w/a a new format of schedules with team approach for each mass. We are looking for ways to encourage parishioners to become an EMHC here at St. Vincent de Paul Church.

Faith Formation: Our program continues to grow, incorporating more participants in more programs. The Children's FF program now has twenty-eight children registered. Two are busy preparing for first reconciliation and first communion which will be held on May 6th. Also, two confirmation candidates will be preparing to be confirmed by Bishop Noonan on May 27th at St. Paul's in Leesburg. Four babies were baptized by Father Peter since the last Parish Council meeting in September. For further on going information from our Faith Formation Director, please read the attached submission.

Knights of Columbus: We purchased twelve new folding tables and one thousand new Liturgy Mass Prayer Response Cards for the parish. We made a Christmas donation of \$500.00 each to the Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen. Collection for Citizens with Mental Disabilities & Parish Friendship Club is scheduled for March and April. Don't forget the pancake breakfast and golf tournament fundraisers coming up in April. The Bunco for Babies fundraiser is in May.

Our Mother's Attic (resale shop): We have done very well in sales this last quarter, total sales were \$47,219. This is an increase of \$4,796 over the same period last year. From our request in the church bulletin, we now have more volunteers. Looking for more storage space for overflow of furniture.

Outreach Ministry: We now have a new president – Shelia Duffy. We are serving fifty-eight more clients now, a total of 192. The Food Pantry served 1,354 adults, 1,142 children and 177 seniors in the Wildwood area from October to December 2011. In 2012 we hope to meet the needs of an ever increasing clientele.