

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING NOTES —SEPTEMBER 16, 2024
TRINITY ECUMENICAL PARISH, CLASSROOM A (10:30 AM-NOON)

OPENING PRAYER: Doug Skinner

*Attendees: Dave Wilmesher, Diane Lohr, Nancy Ault, Jim McCloskey, Terry Morrison, Doug Skinner, (excused Devlin Cox, Mike Santone)
Rev. Nixon Negparanon, Business Mgr. Jennifer McLaughlin, update from Nick Burakow.

*Approve August Minutes: Terry Morrison moved to approve, Diane Lohr seconded, the minutes were unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

*Welcome Jim McCloskey as New Council Member: We are excited to have Jim volunteer to be a member of the Parish Council. His term will end in June 2028. His email is JMM@RiversEdgeFurniture.com

*Elect a Secretary: Terry Morrison volunteered to take the notes and Doug Skinner volunteered to be her back-up as needed with Diane Lohr being the second back-up.

*Discussion/Planning for Resurrection Celebration after Renovation: An Ad hoc committee will be formed to begin planning for the celebration in the spring. Karen McCloskey will be asked to lead the committee.

*Ministries Vacancies/Succession Planning: Currently, there are several open positions. A couple years ago, the ministries were asked to submit information describing who they are and the functions they perform, to be added to the parish website. This info should be reviewed and updated as needed. Potential volunteers can use this resource to better understand the various ministries and gain contacts for more detailed information. “Ministry Minutes” prior to mass will be scheduled to highlight the wonderful work our Ministries are performing. Also, Doug Skinner was asked to share his testimonial.

*Update on Renovation Project: Nick Burakow gave an excellent detailed update including the Diocese BARC requirements, a 7 phase renovation steps (130 pages.) The construction demolition and exterior work is in progress. Some of the plans include relocating the elevator and main entrance, creating a side entrance covered drop off, Common Area for “fellowship” separated from Worship. All the stained-glass windows were saved and the chairs sold. We are on budget (\$3.7 MM.) and schedule (mid-April 2025). A \$1.9 MM Line of Credit is used to fill the gap in receiving pledged campaign funds then will be converted into a loan for approximately \$900 K.

OLD BUSINESS:

*3 Proposals to Father: A form was created to submit Pastoral Council Recommendations to the Pastor to allow time for review and decisions. Subjects submitted were:

1. Sunday Morning Mass during the Summer (approximate cost of \$200/wk or \$2,600 for the summer)
2. Offer Thursday Reconciliation during the Renovation of the Parish
3. Paying down the Resurrection mortgage. Discussion on needing approximately \$7K /month. Three suggestions included: running BINGO; giving a Renovation Update monthly with the dedicated 2nd collection; utilizing a portion of our fundraising money in the future.

Jennifer McLaughlin Comments: The Annual Report is being completed, and it will be presented to the parish October 5 & 6, when Bob Flynn gives the “Sermon on the Amount” presentation at Masses.

Father Nixon Comments: Thanked Council for active participation

CLOSING PRAYER: Doug Skinner

Next Parish Council Meeting: October 21 at 10:30, Trinity - Adult Rm A

Respectfully submitted by:

Terry Morrison