**ST. DAMIAN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 7:00 PM**

**2020-21 PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS**: President - Clay Lynch, Vice President - JoAnn Koerkenmeier, Secretary - Denise Luitjohan

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**: Clay Lynch, JoAnn Koerkenmeier, Denise Luitjohan, Kay Toennies, , Dale Koch, Mech Toennies, Shannon Sanders, Adam Fuehne, Norm Horstmann

Ex-officio members: Deacon Kevin Templin, Deacon Glenn Netemeyer, Virgil Jansen, Arlene Korte, Sr. Ellen Orf, Angie Toennies

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT**: Kay Toennies, Marvin Wuebbles, Salvador Tehandon,

**OTHER ATTENDEES**:

**OPENING**: Deacon Glenn opened the meeting with a prayer.

**PARISH LIFE / LITURGY:** Diocese’s new rules for Covid, still require mask/social distancing, sanitizing hands, up to 60% capacity with a max of 250 people indoors or 500 outdoors. Meeting with the bishop provide news that we will be assigned a new priest in June or July.

**DEACON/FAITH FORMATION REPORT:** Faith Formation classes just concluded for the year, St. Bernard’s went well. Next school year St. Damian’s will be back to every morning.

**SR. ELLEN/HISPANIC REPORT:** Everything is going well.

**BUILDING & MAINTENANCE:**

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3. On the next workday the height of the mound that is also on the NW corner under the damaged gutter must be leveled to not retain water. New water lines will be going in in the next few weeks should be able to get the dirt from there. After this is repaired there will need to be repair work done on the baseboards. Any other items that anyone feels need to be addressed should be emailed to Clay before the workday.

June 19th was scheduled for the Church grounds workday

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Three members of Parish Council will be reaching the end of their terms. Denise Luitjohan

(end of first term), Dale Koch (end of first term) and Clay Lynch (end of second term). Need to

determine if Dale and Denise will stay on another term.

2 – Set date for Parish Council member nominations possible dates.

3 - Set date for Parish Council election.

A gift for Ed Kramer was discussed as he retires after 12 years of working for the Church.

Ed’s replacement has been hired, the school has hired Darrell Briggs for the new custodian, he will be working with Ed for a few days to understand what needs to be done. Since Ed was the Sexton for the cemetery Darrell will be asked if he would take that over.

The two new members of the Parish Council are Adam Fuehne and Norm Horstmann.

Adam agreed to be President for the next year, JoAnn will stay on as Vice-President and Denise will stay on as Secretary. It was discussed if we need to adjust the date of the meeting since we were a month off the normal schedule due to canceling the February Meeting. It was decided we would not meet again until August to get back on schedule and if a meeting is needed in the interim it will be scheduled.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned, and Deacon Glenn closed with a prayer.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, Aug 17, 20201

**Minutes taken by Denise Luitjohan**

**As always, all parish council meetings are open to the public. Please inform the parish secretary if you would like to speak to a topic or voice a concern, so it can be added**