

MINUTES RESURRECTION PARISH COUNCIL

DATE: August 24, 2016, 6:30 p.m. Recorder: Tammy Gehling		MEMBERS		STAFF	
OFFICERS		X	Abba, Kathy (2016, Finance)	X	Mercer, Tom (2017)
X	Pastor: Hauer, Father Joe	X	Dodds, Kara (2018)	X	Nugent, Chris (2019)
X	Chair: Schiesl, Kelley (2017, App.)	X	Hilby, Bridget (2018)		
X	Vice-Chair: Gehling, Tammy (2016, App.)	X	Kahler, Sarah (2018, App.)	REPRESENTATIVES	
	Secretary: Knepper, Ann (2018, App.)	X	Leibfried, Connie (2019)	X	Michael Banwarth (2017 YLT)
				X	<i>Denotes present</i>

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PRAYER	The meeting opened with prayer facilitated by Kelley Schiesl.		
MINUTES	Minutes from the 6/22/16 meeting were reviewed.	The minutes were approved as presented.	
PAST ACTION ITEMS	None.		
Discussion topics	<p>Parish Council membership – Welcome to newly-elected members Connie Leibfried and Chris Nugent officially joining the Parish Council!</p> <p>Council roster & meeting schedule – The roster of member names/numbers/email addresses will be updated. Please let Kelley know of any changes as needed. The meeting schedule and prayer leaders for the upcoming year were distributed.</p> <p>Officer elections – The current officers have agreed to continue on in their current roles for the upcoming year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kelley Schiesl, Chair - Tammy Gehling, Vice-Chair - Ann Knepper, Secretary 		

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COMMITTEE REPORTS	<p>Youth – Two service trips were held this summer – One to Green Bay (10 students, 2 adults) where students worked on the Oneida Indian Reservation. They worked on an organic farm and learned about the group’s native American culture. “Just 5 Days” – This was a Middle School service trip to Davenport.</p> <p>A “Serve N Slide” with middle school students was also conducted. Those students served at the Dubuque Rescue Mission and followed up with a trip to Noah’s Ark Waterpark.</p> <p>YLT members also worked at the Parish Festival in a variety of capacities, from shucking corn to selling concessions.</p> <p>There is a YLT retreat coming up – they have 49 students committed to attending. YLT is primarily comprised of Wahlert students, with some Hempstead students who attend. Chris questioned whether there is a plan to encourage more Hempstead students to join; Michael said there is not. He will bring this up at the retreat. Fr. Hauer said high school religious ed is based on “programs,” such as Bible Timeline, but there is no formal continuing religious ed after Confirmation. Therefore, membership in YLT is typically based on individual groups encouraging their friends to join. Currently there are more Wahlert students in YLT, but this has not always been the case.</p> <p>Liturgy – Discussed the emergency weather plan and what happened with the tornado warning in July. Chris questioned whether our insurance policy dictates when and where people should go in a weather/fire emergency. Tammy stated she believed the minor children who were acting as music ministers should have been directed to seek shelter and not be given the choice to stay (if their parents were not present). Ellen stated that the disaster plan dictates that water should be available in the shelter. Once a disaster plan is finalized, that is going to be included in future usher trainings.</p>		

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	<p>Parish Life – In spite of the dreary weather, the family picnic was a success. It was decided the boat ride would be dropped this year in favor of a tailgate party. This will happen in October; no specific date has yet been set.</p> <p>Social Justice – The Sister Water Project was discussed and the possibility of supporting this more robustly was talked about. Fr. Hauer stated that a collection for this will be done during Lent. The Habitat for Humanity House is doing well. Deacon Mike has met the couple who will be receiving the house.</p> <p>Faith Formation – The committee did not meet since the last Parish Council meeting. They meet four times per year.</p> <p>Stewardship – The Stewardship committee is working on the October stewardship booklet. Each family will be given the updated roster of activities they have stated they are involved or interested in. The committee is trying to get updated family information. For example, many adult children of current parishioners are still listed under their parents in the parish database. The committee also changed the monthly day that they will meet. A new parishioner brunch is coming up again on Jan. 22, 2017.</p> <p>Finance Council – The parish income for the previous year was better than budgeted and better than the previous year. Parish expenses were less than budgeted and less than the previous year. Kathy complimented the staff and Resurrection community for this generosity.</p>		
PASTOR'S REPORT	Preliminary festival reports...Car sales were down from last year. Silent Auction proceeds were up. It is anticipated that we will make over \$100,000 this year.		

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NEXT MEETING	Wed., Sept. 28th 6:30 p.m. St. George Room Prayer Leader: Agenda Items:		