

Holy Redeemer Parish

Finance Council Minutes

August 25, 2021, Parish Hall (3:30 PM)

Attendance:

Father Paul Nwaeze, Art Lamarche, Michael Olson, Patrick Groulx, Paul Jolicoeur (4:20 pm), Mary-Lou Hakansson (Accountant), Maureen Brannan (Parish Office) and Anita Henson (guest).

Appointment of new Recording Secretary:

Dan Carroll has moved and is no longer on the Finance Council. Patrick Groulx is the new Recording Secretary.

Review of minutes from March 18, 2021 meeting:

No comments, minutes accepted as is.

Financial Statement:

Mary-Lou highlighted major items. A 2012 federal wage subsidy of \$50,411 was received. A \$10,000 increase in collections (a sign that parishioners are returning to mass). 30 % reduction of loose change in collection baskets. Expenses for Liturgy items are down. Expenses for maintenance are down by \$20,000 (only critical work is being completed).

Previous Business:

Volunteer Coordinator - Working on a job description. Potential duties to include coordinate parish volunteers, stewardship, evangelization through parish groups, helping to discover gifts/talents of our parishioners. Position to be part time to start. Salary and start date unknown at this time.

New Business:

Father Paul - Received letter from Archdiocese noting Father Paul's stay at Holy Redeemer to be extended for another six years. The letter was published in the parish bulletin.

Father Jonathon - Not present.

AGM Review - Amount of federal wage subsidy for 2020 was 12,955. To date for 2021 is 50,410. It was noted portion of 2021 subsidy was for 2020.

Meeting Spaces - Open discussion on need for additional meeting space. Parish meeting spaces are usually booked solid most evenings. Space could be addressed by a rear two story addition, renting space off site, conversion of rectory.

Capital Projects - Roof inspected with minor crack repairs completed. Ceiling painted in vestibule. Exterior front cross painted. Estimate to repair wood wall panels behind altar is \$12,000. Yellow caution lines and accessible parking spots to be repainted. Vegetation at mechanical enclosure to be removed.

Shepherd's of Good Hope - Maureen commented the sandwich makers are no longer making and delivering sandwiches to the Shepherds because of the pandemic. Was it possible to provide them with a monthly cheque of \$200 in lieu of the sandwiches until the pandemic was over. Father Paul suggested the money could come from the St. Vincent De Paul budget. A decision was not made. The amount and allocation of the money is to be determined. *2019.*

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Next meeting date to be determined.

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