

Spirit of Life Parish Council Minutes
February 7th 2013

Present: Msgr. Chad; Pam Treib, Bonnie Volk, Steve Moore, Cheryl Hansen, Shirlene Schafer, Jeff Ellingson

Absent:

- I. Call to Order by Bonnie Volk
- II. Opening Prayer was led by Msgr. Chad
- III. Review of Agenda – Add under new business add discussion of Robert Biwer as a new member of the council. Also add St. Kateri discussion.
- IV. Secretary’s Report – Pam made the motion to approve January 2013 minutes as written. Steve 2nd this motion. Motion carried minutes approved.
- V. Financial/Parish Update –
 - a. Financial- Steve reported that overall the parish expenses have been paid. Collections are consistent and stable at this time. Reviewed balances of all accounts.
- VI. Old Business –
 - a. Perpetual Adoration- Council members took a tour of the renovated chapel space. There have been 300 people that have signed up so far. The goal is to have 2 people per hour. The parish is open to others from other parishes to assist with the 24/7 adoration.
 - b. Making Intentional Disciples book- The council should be prepared to review chapter 2 at the next meeting.
- VII. New Business-
 - a. Robert Biwer- Msgr. Chad asked that the council consider Bob as a new member of the parish council. He is a current member of the parish. Motion made by Steve to have Guy as a member of the parish. The motion was seconded by Jeff.
 - b. Welcoming of new parish members- The parish is currently discussing the way we currently welcome new members. Msgr. Chad discussed a process from a parish in Minneapolis that has more of a sit down discussion with members to increase the direct contact with them above the current process of the gift basket that is given out. The council was in favor of a different process, and Msgr. Chad will find out more specifics of how the program is implemented.

- c. Awakening program- Bonnie reported on this event. She indicated that it was very exciting and enriching for the youth. Speaker was dynamic. The parish still needs to continue to work on the youth getting involved in these community events.

VIII. Closing Prayer- Was led by Msgr. Chad

Next Parish Council meeting will then be April 6th, 2013

Respectfully Submitted
Pam Treib
Secretary of Parish Council