

NATIVITY PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday – February 24, 2009

4:30 P.M. – Nazareth Room

Church Of The Nativity

Chairman Leon Senn scheduled a meeting of the Pastoral Council at 4:30 p.m. to avoid a conflict with Nativity's Mardi Gras Talent Show at 6:30 p.m. tonight.

At 4:35 p.m., Chairperson Leon Senn called the meeting to order pursuant to notice; and then led the Pastoral Council in Opening Prayer.

Council Members Present:

Fr. Kevin Boucher, Fr. Gary Luiten, Duane Koble, Terri Dahl, Bonnie Faller, Ken Jablonsky, Brenda Lang, Joe Miranowski, Bev Nesler, Abby Rheault, Greg Schmalz, Leon Senn, Joel Simons, Kevin Wolf, and Corporate Secretary Mykal Nester.

Council Members Absent:

Betty Hund, Chenise Nesler and Ed Schwind.

Guest: David Shultz, Architect of Shultz & Associates Ltd.

Minutes from the 01/27/2009 Parish Council meeting were provided prior to the meeting and accepted by unanimous consensus after a minor date correction was noted on the first page.

Nativity Anew II

Fr. Kevin Boucher brought the following questions to the Council for discussion:

1. Is it economically possible to move forward with the Nativity Anew II Project?
2. Should the \$620,000 in cash collected to date be earmarked for the campus' heating system in the education center?

Fr. Kevin handed out a report that identified some of the Pros, Cons, Unknowns and Other Options as related to the questions above. With a 49-year old boiler and a section of the school that is irreparable, there is a definite concern if these needs should be resolved this summer with the available funds; or delay the Anew II project until the appropriate funding has been secured. Keep in mind that the Diocese requires 50% of the \$4 Million total to be collected before ground can be broken. In addition, taking into account the current economic situation, depressed interest rates, and construction costs; will it be possible to reach the Anew II goal and move forward?

Architect David Shultz provided an explanation of a geothermal heating/cooling system versus a fan-coil system. He handed out an outline of costs for a Geothermal Heat Pump System and gave a detailed description of the project as he answered questions from the council members.

After further discussion, several options were brought to the table. No consensus was reached though on how to advise Fr. Kevin and his request to the Pastoral Council for direction on how to proceed. The expected concern from parishioners is that they have been advised that the Nativity Anew II project was to be completed at one time, and not in phases.

Since Fr. Kevin needs a decision to be made very soon, the Council agreed to hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:30 p.m. after 7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer in the Chapel. David Shultz was requested to return with a refined cost analysis and payback analysis. The Pastoral Council will take the information from tonight, and from next week's meeting, under advisement and will provide Fr. Kevin with a recommendation that will be in the best interest of Nativity Parish.

Due to time constraints, Chairman Leon Senn asked if anyone had questions regarding the following reports that were submitted by e-mail to council members prior to the meeting:

- Associate Pastor's Report
- Director of Administration's Report
- Buildings & Grounds Committee (No report)
- FCSN
- Health Advisory Commission
- Liturgical Commission
- Parish Faith Life Commission (No report)
- Social Justice Commission
- Staff Representative
- Stewardship Council (No report)
- Youth Ministry

Announcements

Chairman Leon Senn noted that he would be unable to attend the Special Meeting on March 3rd; therefore, Vice Chair Greg Schmalz will chair this meeting. Duane Koble will check the schedule for an available meeting room.

There being no further business nor questions from the members regarding the reports noted above, Chairman Leon Senn led the Council in Closing Prayer and the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Lang

Recording Secretary