

Appleton Assumption
Parish Council Meeting
December 22, 2020 6PM

Meeting was called to order by Father Buhman at 6:00 PM. Father Buhman led meeting with a prayer.

Roll call was taken.

Members present – Father Buhman, Chuck Andel, Evan Kovar, Jerome Andel, and Katrina Sabata
Cemetery Board – Val Svoboda and Jerome Andel

Financials – About \$6k in the checking account.

OLD BUSINESS –

Soup Supper – Due to COVID, the council decided to cancel the annual soup supper. Attendance of guests and parishioner help, accommodating social distancing, and still having to pay rent for the auditorium were some of the concerns noted. Fr. Buhman determined Appleton has 53 households with an estimated 60% who would make a donation. The percentage was an estimate that was used based off of Fr. Buhman's past experience with other parishes. Our goal is to raise \$6,000 so we are asking \$200 per household. Katrina will type up a letter to be reviewed by the council. The plan is to have these letters distributed sometime in January.

Roof – In November, a parish meeting was held to discuss the roof. The people who spoke out were all in favor of paying extra money to hire out the work. The Council thought it would be hard to raise that much money and preferred not to deplete the money in our savings account. The Council decided they had 6 men who were willing to volunteer time to repair the roof and that was an appropriate number of people. The parish will be able to save a significant amount of money by repairing the roof on our own. We intend to ask for donations for this project in the spring. Next time Menards has 11% rebate Jerome is going to order the supplies needed. The hope is to repair the roof in March or early April before planting season as long as we can align people's schedules and rental of the boom truck.

NEW BUSINESS –

Flowers – Katrina discussed who should pay for Christmas and Easter flowers. In the past the PCCW paid for the flowers and kept the memorial donations. Now, the memorial donations are going to the parish checking account so should the PCCW or parish pay for the flowers? At the very least the PCCW would make some sort of donation. The PCCW has a meeting scheduled for January 10th and will make a decision then. Fr. Buhman proposed we can go back to handling flowers the old way.

Cemetery – Scott Steager is replacing John Kobus for grave digging.

Financial Statement – There was never an insert in the bulletin for parish finances for parishioners to review. Fr. Buhman will include a balance sheet and income statement in next weeks bulletin.

Father Buhman closed with prayer at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Sabata, Secretary/Treasurer