

St. Joseph Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
March 5, 2024

The St. Joseph Pastoral Council met on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the Religious Education Building.

Present were: Father Pedro Castillo, Deacon Gus Coelho, David Ehler, Pat Elliott, Jim Grametbauer, Mike Korenek, Kenny Svrcek, and Maria Santellano.

The meeting opened with prayer. The minutes were read and Kenny Svrcek made a motion and Jim Grametbauer seconded to accept the minutes.

Project Planning Committee

Thanks to Mike Korenek, David Ehler and Richard Pesl for cleaning up and clearing the property. The church received a summons from the City of Rockdale to clean up the property. The property next to the land the church obtained has been purchased. The fence line needs clearing. The church has asked the property owner to help with the cost. They want to see what the cost will be before making a decision.

Another neighbor is concerned about sewer or water lines running through our property. Went to the City of Rockdale, but no records run that far back. We will hire a plumber to run cameras through the pipes to check on this.

Triad Survey has been hired to conduct a survey and platting of the property. The cost will be \$2,500.00. The church parking lot will also be surveyed. Schedule a cleanup for Saturday.

Alley

Pete went to the City of Rockdale concerning the alley between our properties. There will be a cost, but the City of Rockdale wants access to them. Will go back to the City of Rockdale to see if there is some type of beautification where there won't be a charge. There is six months waiting time after abandonment if they do it.

Maintenance

The Finance Council recommended Climate Control's bid on the Air Conditioning repair. Maria Santellano made a motion and Jim Grametbauer seconded to accept the bid. Need to have the bladeless fans installed.

Raffle and Dinner Fundraiser

The fundraiser and dinner were a success. There was plenty of help. Plans are for another to be held tentatively on May 5th. This would consist of a Spanish meal with maybe a cake walk and entertainment.

Youth Ministry/RE/AE

IMPACT - Still trying to get to Steubenville – Lonestar this year. Several fundraisers planned.

Parish Website

Eugene Holub will continue to update.

Other Parish Organizations

Ladies Society – Ladies convention in Georgetown April 25th; Decorate with real flowers for Holy Thursday Adoration; Deanery here on April 23rd; sell raffle tickets for Crucifix through Easter and give away.

Liturgical – Joint meeting on March 17th for Lectors for Holy Week.

Volunteer Appreciation Meal

Would like to have an Appreciation meal for volunteers on Sunday April 21st around 1:00 p.m. Maria will get with Gloria concerning this.

Pastoral Council Membership

Father Pedro and Eugene will work on this.

Kenny Svrcek made a motion and Maria Santellano seconded to end the meeting. The meeting ended with prayer. The next meeting will be Tuesday April 2, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., in the Religious Education Building.

Pat Elliott
Recorder