

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church
Bright Wednesday, April 11, 2018**

IN ATTENDANCE

Fr. Leo Poore
Jenée Blanco
Helen Kaye
Jerry Troy
Paul White
Nick Brown
Elaine Jenkins
Taylor Troy (Bookkeeper)

EXCUSED ABSENCES:

Scott Smith
Jeff Bryant
Felipe Arroyo

I. Opening Prayer and Call to Order

- A. The meeting was called to order at 7:52 p.m. with the singing of “Christ is Risen”

II. Reading of the Parish Council Oath of Office: Jerry Troy

III. Review and Acceptance of Last Month’s Minutes

- A. Fr. Leo conducted a vote of the approval of the March 2018 Minutes. Nick Brown made the motion. Paul White seconded the motion. All were in favor, none were opposed.

IV. Financial Report

- A. Miscellaneous Income shows negative - the church paid \$350 for mobile food pantry
B. Paid the February and March Diocesan tithe in April including \$50/each month for additional contribution. We’ll see this on next month’s financial report.
C. Annual renewal for Terminex came up in March making the Pest Control expense higher
D. The water bill for February and March was paid together in March - \$209.60
E. The actual total in checking/savings on April 11, 2018 is \$14,233.78

V. Priest’s Report

- A. Larissa Moore’s father has been suffering from strokes. He is not doing well.
B. Mary Partlowe says hello to everyone. Her health is better.
C. The Lozano family couldn’t come to the Pascha services because Anthony was sick.
D. The current roof was done on 8/26/05. The original roofer will look at it as it is still under warranty.
E. Waiting for the windows to be inspected.
F. Father shared information from the OCA, “For my Loved Ones,” about instructions on what to do when loved ones pass away. The information is also available on the OCA website:
<https://oca.org/cdn/PDFs/christianwitness/2015-11-another-gift-for-my-loved-ones.pdf>
G. Elaine Jenkins has been appointed to the Parish Council to fill in the vacancy

VI. Old Business

A. Committee Reports

- a. Church School: no change
- b. Brotherhood: Evgeny Pomoranev is now the President of the Brotherhood, and Jerry Troy is now Vice President.
- c. Sisterhood: no change
- d. Building Committee: Jerry was told by the Historical Society that the windows need to show more than 50% damage in order to be replaced
- e. Teen Group: No change
- f. Icon project: Don Jenkins showed 3 styles of icons to parishioners. The cost for the icon that was chosen by most parishioners is \$15,000.

B. Bundled Mortgage: Taylor is working with the banker from Randolph Brooks FCU. He needs to look at the diocese's finances in order to proceed.

C. 100th Anniversary (Coinciding with Fiesta events):

- a. On Thursday, April 12, there is a Fiesta event at the Beethoven beer garden. We will have a table to sell Fiesta medals.
- b. Pin Pandemonium takes place in Hemisfair Park on April 19th, the official opening of Fiesta 2018. We will have a table there as well.
- c. St. Anthony church tours will be held on April 28.

D. St. Anthony 40th Anniversary (January 2019): The Archbishop is scheduled to visit St. Anthony on January 19-20, 2019. We want to plan a BBQ event for the Archbishop that will take place after the Divine Liturgy with a smoker and food plate sales.

E. Long Term Plan (New Fellowship Hall 2020): Jerry suggests closing the USAA index fund while it is still high, and deposit it with the Diocese to be kept until we are ready to build the new fellowship hall. The amount we would deposit with the diocese is just under \$60,000.

- a. Helen Kaye made the motion to proceed. Paul White seconded the motion. All were in favor.

VII. New Business

A. Paschal Security procedure: It was expensive this year to have security officers on Saturday night and Sunday, and the officers weren't exceptionally useful or helpful. There was a discussion on whether we want to use security officers next year. We will continue to discuss this matter for Pascha next year.

B. Michelle is now in charge of sending encouragement and sympathy cards to parishioners who have not been in attendance. A card needs to be sent to Aimie Arroyo.

C. On April 22, Greg Lundblade will take a photo of all the parishioners in front of the church to match the photo of the church from 1918. We may try to take the photo on April 15 as well.

VIII. Other Business

A. Next Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

IX. Closing Prayer

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17p by the singing of "The Angel Cried".

Accepted by:

Very Rev. Fr. Leo Poore
Priest

Felipe Arroyo
Warden