

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church
Wednesday, September 12, 2018**

IN ATTENDANCE

Jerry Troy
Paul White
Nick Brown
Jenée Blanco
Jeff Bryant
Felipe Arroyo
Scott Smith
Taylor Troy (Bookkeeper)

I. Opening Prayer and Call to Order

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:59 p.m. with the singing of “O Heavenly King”

II. Reading of the Parish Council Oath of Office: Nick Brown

III. Review and Acceptance of Last Month’s Minutes

A. Felipe led the vote for the approval of the August 2018 minutes. Jeff made the motion. Scott seconded the motion. All were in favor.

IV. Financial Report

- A. Taylor reminded the PC that we received notification that the USAA Investment account requires a control person. Paul made the motion to add Taylor as the control person for the account. Nick seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- B. Today’s actual total is \$11,195.90

V. Priest’s Report: Fr. Leo is not in attendance as he is in Arkansas on a pastoral visit for the funeral of his brother-in-law.

VI. Old Business

- A. Committee Reports - Jerry went over the reports for the upcoming Annual Parish Meeting from the following groups:
- a. Church School: No report submitted
 - b. Brotherhood
 - c. Sisterhood
 - d. Building Committee: No report due to no president and no formal meetings
 - e. Teen Group
 - f. Lay delegate to the 19th All American Council
 - g. Choir
 - h. Book Store
 - i. Icon project: Don Jenkins will give a presentation at the annual meeting on the icon project reiterating what he has already communicated with the parish council
 - j. Parish Council: Fr. Leo and Felipe will need to complete the annual meeting agenda and report from the Parish Council

- B. RBFCU Loan: We're still waiting on the land survey to be completed.
- C. St. Anthony 40th Anniversary (January 2019): No change
- D. Long Term Plan (New Fellowship Hall 2020): No change

VII. New Business

- A. Pecan tree trimming: The pecan tree on Labor Street is badly needing a trimming. It's the city's responsibility to trim it, but they are notorious for not responding in a timely manner. There was a discussion about having the brotherhood trim the tree.
- B. Annual Parish Meeting
 - a. Jeff went over the 2019 proposed budget
 - b. We need to get at least 3 nominees for new parish council members to replace outgoing members Jeff, Jerry, and Jenée
 - c. There is a question as to whether Elaine will need to be nominated again at the annual meeting, or will she continue as the appointed member to complete Mark Freemyer's term which ends in September of 2019.

VIII. Upcoming Events

- A. Annual Parish Meeting: The annual meeting will not be held on the scheduled date of September 16 due to Fr. Leo being out of town for a death in his family. The tentative new date for the annual meeting is September 23, 2018. Due to the church by-laws, confirmation on the new date is pending on communication from Fr. Leo as to whether he has received permission from the Archbishop through Archimandrite Gerasim to change the annual meeting date on short notice.
- B. There is a Food Bank Drive on Saturday, September 15, however inclement weather is forecasted. Fr. Leo won't be in town as well, so there is a chance that the drive will be canceled. If so, Paul White will send out a cancellation notification.
- C. Vespers Divine Liturgy will be served on Thursday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. for the Feast of the Elevation of the Cross.
- D. Next Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday, October 10 at 7:30 pm after Vespers.

IX. Closing Prayer

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11pm with the singing of It is Truly Meet.

Accepted by:

Very Rev. Fr. Leo Poore
Priest

Felipe Arroyo
Warden