

ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING—Web Minutes
Tuesday, April 28, 2020

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Zoom Meeting

Next Meeting: May 26, 2020

In Attendance: Carol, Lee, Steve, Gary, Tina, Tim, James, Michael, Karen, Don, Alison, Sharon, Chris, Cathy, Michelle, Jose, Pat, Doug, Richard, Tom, Patrick, Pat (Parish Council Clerk).

Regrets: None

1. **Welcome and Introduction of PC and Management Committee members:** Carol asked each attendee to introduce themselves and give an outline of their particular area of ministry plus one blessing they have experienced during the Covid-19 Pandemic so far.
2. **Zoom Manners:** A reminder to keep our volume muted unless speaking to eliminate white noise.
3. **Opening Prayer:** Karen & Michael recited alternate verses of a Covid-19 prayer.
4. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Moved by Carol, seconded by Tim that the Agenda be adopted as printed. **CARRIED**
5. **Adoption of April 1 meeting Records and Website minutes:** One amendment was made: the date of the full set of minutes be changed from 2010 to 2020. Moved by Carol, seconded by Lee that the full set of minutes be adopted as amended. **CARRIED**
6. **Deputy Warden's Management Reports:** Each Deputy Warden gave their report verbally at the beginning of the meeting.
7. **Business Arising from the Minutes:**
 - a. **Financial Report:** Cathy gave a comprehensive coverage of the finances for the month of March. The lack of income reflects the fact that we are no longer holding services in the Church resulting in no collections being taken. Also, the Music Festival has been cancelled resulting in no rental fees that would normally result from this. She emphasized that St. Augustine's is blessed and still strong thanks to its' great Parishioners.
 - b. **Other Business:**

- a. Office Refurbishment: Carol reported that Allan will contact the Corporation to determine the best way forward at this time. He will be contacting Contractors for estimates.
- b. 11th Street Properties Re-zoning Update: Doug reported that St. Augustine's is on the agenda for Monday night's Town Council Meeting. This is the 3rd reading of the re-zoning request and will hopefully result in approval and a beginning of the improvements needed. Carol thanked Doug for all his work on getting this project to where it is today.
- c. Live Stream Services: Steve reported on the statistics of the views on St. Augustine's Facebook Page following 6 weeks of online services. Some of the statistics are: 8,654 post engagements, 92 new followers in the last 28 days, and that people have spent 10,700 viewing minutes on the Facebook page. Alison questioned why there is not a link on the St. Augustine's Web site for all the services featured on the Facebook page for those who do not do Facebook. Steve explained that with Denise still off sick he would need volunteers to make this happen. He further explained that an email to the Church Office would result in their names being put on the list of those receiving the links. Steve and James thanked all the team members involved in putting the Sunday Morning Service on Facebook.
- d. Video Camera Purchase up to \$400.00: Steve will try to borrow a video camera for a trial run for 1 month before any purchase is made.
- e. Covid Response Team Update: James extended thanks to all the team members for the great job they are doing in keeping track and up to date on all Covid-19 requirements. They are also working on a post pandemic plan for St. Augustine's. Tina questioned whether one of the considerations for Communion would be individual servings of the wine.
- f. Phoning Ministry: The purpose of the phoning ministry is to do Wellness Checks by contacting Church members and assessing needs for further follow-up and

taking prayer requests. These will include Prayer Quads, Stephen Ministry and Clergy.

- g. Parish Profile: A few people have read the Parish Profile with positive responses. Any comments must be emailed to Carol by May 8 and there will be a meeting of the Search Committee in May.
 - h. Evening Groups \$500.00 gift: This is on the agenda as a reminder to purchase the book suggested by Pilar; *A Good and Beautiful God* by James Bryan Smith, post pandemic.
- c. **Closing Prayer and Adjournment:** James and Steve shared the prayer time ending with the Blessing said in unison at 8:40 p.m.