**St. Peter Parish Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, April 12 , 2021, 6 p.m.**

**PMC, Room 8**

**In-person attendance:** President J.J. Kaelin, VP Ed Paulovich, John Gormley, Terry Nickel, Paul Zmuda and Father Gregory Golyzniak. Absent: Bruce Bishop. Guests: Finance Council President Ashley Fritz, Staff members: Debby Dover and Laura Flanigan

Meeting minutes notes were recorded by Scribe John Gormley and prepared by President J.J. Kaelin.

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by President J.J. Kaelin.

**Opening prayer** was offered by Father Gregory.

**Welcome and Guest Introductions- J.J. Kaelin**

Presentations were given by the following staff members:

Debby Dover-Bulletin Editor, Upon This Rock, Office Ambassador

Laura Flanigan- Accounting Assistant

Note: Presentation materials are attached.

**Discussion Topics**

* **Mass attendance** has been increasing.
* Easter Masses were very well attended.
* Feedback has been that parishioners are wanting to return to in-person Mass.
* Bishop Sheridan set up a webinar focused on welcoming worshipers back to church
  + Spiritual way
    - Special Masses and celebrations
    - Corpus Christi Mass in June will be a celebration
  + Social way
    - St. Peter Parish picnic or summer event
    - Recommend there be an event on church grounds
      * Potentially looking at something to be done in September
* **Parish Picnic**
  + Concerned about perception surrounding COVID
  + Fox Run pavilion is limited to 30 people, and then the rest of people will have to spread out among the grass. May not be conducive for interaction, which is key.
  + The logistics of managing food and interaction, face painting, Bouncy House, etc. could pose challenges.
  + Feasibility may be determined once the city of Monument decides whether to host an in-person July 4th parade and activities.
  + Consider conducting a survey to determine if parishioners will attend

**Father Gregory’s Updates**

* Will continue to stream Masses after the dispensation ends on May 23, Pentecost
* Communications Manager Lisa Hawthorne will be reviewing the effectiveness of our communications platforms and tools-Flocknotes in particular.
* Live-stream Masses after the May 23rd dispensation ends
* Saturday, April 17, 7 p.m. Praise and Worship Night to be sponsored by the Savio teens youth group in the church
  + The guest band, Monument Youth, is comprised of local teen musicians including a St. Peter teen

**Strategic Plan-Ed Paulovich**

* Reviewed the updated Strategic Plan for inputs to ensure the goals and activities are align with the costs and are accounted for in the budget

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* Motion by Paul Zmuda and seconded by Ed Paulovich
* Motion was adopted and will be posted on our St. Peter website

**Closing prayer** was offered by Father Gregory.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 3, 6 p.m., PMC Room 8 including additional staff members.