

Parish Council Minutes
Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church
June 22, 2023 – 7PM

Present: Father Perez, Keith Robinson, Irene Sommers, Eleanor Ames, Frank Pandolfo, Sandra Modersohn

Father led us in opening prayer. The March minutes were reviewed and approved.

Old Business

Security Lighting: SVEC has repaired the burned-out pole light. New motion sensor lights installed at the meeting room entrance.

Renovation of Basement & HVAC in Sanctuary: We have received written approval from the bishop to proceed with these repairs. Formal proposals with the estimates for these projects need to be submitted to the Diocese Planning & Construction division. As these are deemed necessary and normal repairs, no further action will need to be taken at the diocese level. We have been approved for use of \$45,000 from the DIAL account for these projects. Will Nesbitt and Greg Knight will now need to submit formal estimates as we discussed in the spreadsheet so they will compare evenly in the process.

We will be evaluating using mini split HVAC systems for office, library, confessional and basement and the normal duct HVAC for the sanctuary.

Confessional: Father has met with John Carlson, builder who has built several in diocese parishes. He can build an ADA compliant one located in the vestibule area. Diocese requires a physical barrier between priest and penitent. The Diocese has approved this project and we plan to proceed and have done by 2024.

Church Entrance Doors, Portico, and Sanctuary Renovations: We have received written approval from the bishop to proceed with these projects. The Diocesan Building Committee and Building & Construction, Facilities & Planning will assign us a project manager to review and help us. The Liturgical office must approve the final decisions. Father is estimating the costs at approximately \$75,000. He will compile a “Notes from the Pastor” for an upcoming bulletin insert to keep parishioners up to date on what is being planned. Father has been reviewing the archive photos to help us determine a direction for design. He will bring photos to the next building committee for discussion.

New Business

Finance Report

- Account balances as of May 10, 2023:
- Checking: \$11,484.63
- DIAL Operating: \$1,045,387.22
- DIAL Building Fund: \$88,437.66
- DIAL Extra Ordinary Dividend: \$156,444.15

Finance Committee: Sharon Booker is now the chairman. New members now include Anne Wirdzek and Bob Fisher.

Mold Remediation: We discussed this because if black mold is found in the basement depending on the extent, the entire building and church may have to be closed while a special team resolves the issue.

Meeting Dates Scheduled: The next meeting will be held September 14 at 7 PM. Other scheduled meeting date is for December 14.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Father led us in a closing prayer.

Eleanor Ames, Secretary