

SAINTS CONSTANTINE & HELEN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Palos Hills, IL
January 9, 2022
12:05 P.M.
MINUTES

PRESENT:

Andy Kladis
Angelo Fotopoulos
Telly Visvardis
Dimitri Andrikopoulos
Peter Kaftanzis
George Lattas
Elaine Simadis
Leo Bezanis
Tony Vouris

Sue Kouchis
Andy Sampalis
Effie Panos
Jim Stavrou
Gus Kapsaskis
Liz Christofylakis
Gerry Galatis
Mark Dinos

ABSENT:

Tom Berchos
Janet Koliopoulos
Mike Orrico

- I The newly elected President, Jim Stavrou, called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM. The meeting commenced with 17 members present.
- II Jim Stavrou opened the floor for nominations of 5th executive board member position, Member at Large. Sue Kouchis nominated George Lattas, which was seconded by Elaine Simadis. George Lattas accepted with no other nominations given. Unanimous approval.
- III Clergy Report presented by Fr. Tom De Medeiros
 - a. Fr. read letter he received from Metropolis of Chicago dated June 9, 2021 regarding the rules and procedures of the Building Projects and Architecture Committee, aka BPA
 - b. Letter states what the BPA is about and how they can assist parishes when undertaking building projects – complete information will be given to the Maintenance committee at the next board meeting
- IV President's report presented by Jim Stavrou:
 - a. Newly elected officers are as follows:
 - President – Jim Stavrou
 - Vice President – Andy Kladis
 - Treasurer – Elaine Simadis
 - Secretary – Gerry Galatis
 - Member at Large – George Lattas

- b: Jim welcomed the newly elected Parish Council members. He spoke about the need to work together as there are only 20 members. Church attendance of PC needs to increase. House Committee, which will be led by Tony Vouris, will come up with a "A" and "B" schedule to alternate weeks for Parish Council members' attendance.
- c: Feed 6 to take place on March 19, 2022. More information to come on this. We will be feeding the homeless at a location in Brookfield, IL once a month starting this month.
- d: Minutes from monthly board meetings will be posted for viewing by all. Parish Council meetings to take place the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 P.M. Parish newsletter will be distributed quarterly – more to come on this once someone is assigned with this task.
- e: As mentioned at the last Parish Council Meeting, the Metropolis of Chicago has received our request for an Associate Pastor. At present there are no candidates available. We will continue to reach out and work with the Metropolis on our request.

V Other Reports: Brick paver report presented by Tony Vouris

- a: 3 quotes were obtained over the last year however only one company has done this scope of work before. Contract presented from Arrowhead Brick Pavers, Inc. Total quote to complete job is \$39,115. This amount does not reflect \$1,200 for the rendering of the project itself or the cost to have the bricks engraved. Tony did note that the \$1,200 fee for the rendering was approved at the December 2021 Parish Council meeting and has been given to the contractor. Rendering should be available at the next PC meeting.
- b: Additional items presented in the contract which are up for discussion include the following:
 - Item 1 – add ring of pavers around the 6 trees surrounding the Walkway, cost is \$3,500.
 - Item 2 – LED light option, adding 18, six-inch lights to be installed on seat walls and the walkthrough area on pillars, cost is \$2,700.
 - Item 3 – canopy or upright spotlight within each tree ring (6 total), cost is \$1,500.
 - Item 4 – landscaping on backside of seat walls and entrance, cost is \$2,700.

c: Engraving costs are as follows:

4x8 Bricks - \$20 each

8x8 Bricks - \$40 each

Plaques – waiting on price, estimated cost \$50 each

d: No vote taken on the contract. Contract will be presented at next board meeting along with the rendering of the project itself.

VI Announcements:

- Sandy Chakonas, Parish Administrator, has given her 2 week resignation notice to Fr. Tom.
- Mark Dinos mentioned about adding former Parish Council members as Honorary Members, as has been tradition in the past. Will be discussed at the next meeting.

VII Adjournment:

George Lattas moved that the meeting be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 1:05 P.M.

Submitted by Gerry Galatis

January 10, 2022