

Community Council Minutes
12/13/16

Present: Mike Kennedy, John Mortier, John O'Connor, Bruce Koehn, Dave Wagner, Joe Stich, Mary Beth Buckman, Shari Steffen, Brad Schleif, Joan Pare', Mary Lillicrap, Jane Schmitz, Wayne Ward, Fr. Bill Murtaugh, Fr. Marc Pavaglio

Absent: Jeff Schuh

Visitor: Ken Reineccius

1. Minutes of the November meeting were approved.
2. Archdiocese Bankruptcy Update. Jane brought council members up to date on the issues surrounding the bankruptcy and possible assessments. She distributed a summary from Mark Rabogliatti, a parishioner who is a bankruptcy lawyer. He is not seeing that there will be a special assessment to parishes. The next hearings on the matter are on Dec. 15.
3. Strategic Planning Committee Update. Developing the membership of the Strategic Planning team is still under way. Currently members are: Joe Stich, Dave Wagner, Carolyn Zucker, Jane Schmitz, Bruce Koehn, and Mike Ramirez. Other possible members include Lisa Cox, Kate Lohrenz, Mary Beth Buckman and Joan Pare'.
4. Solar Panel Update. Ken Reineccius presented details of the most recent talks between lawyers for Pax Christi and the energy company dealing with the solar installation at Pax Christi. There are six recommendations from the Church lawyers, that, if approved by the energy company, would serve to bring the two sides to agreement. The deadline for agreement is December 31. Council members asked a number of questions about the installation and agreed to support the agreement if the two sides come together.
5. Beehive Initiative. Ken Reineccius also brought details of a proposal from the Arts, Campus and Gardens Council for installation of a bee hive on Pax Christi property between the pond and Purgatory Creek. A University of Minnesota program would oversee installation and maintenance of the hive. Council members were in favor of moving ahead with the plan.
6. Future Rectory. Jane reported that plans are moving ahead for the purchase of Fr. Tim Power's townhouse to be a rectory for Pax Christi. A parishioner who works as a realtor is helping facilitate the transaction.

Respectfully submitted,
Shari Steffen