

**ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
BRITHER JOHN KANSKI BOARD ROOM
Tuesday, December 16, 2014**

Executive:

Pastor: Fr. Peter Pidskalny, CSsR	President: Dave Spelay
Assistant Pastor: Fr. Raymond Lukie, CSsR	Vice President: Gwen Bilyk <i>absent</i>
Assistant Pastor: Fr. Methodius Kushko, CSsR	Past President: Doreen Rathgeber
	Treasurer: Kathy Rusnak <i>absent</i>
	Secretary: Diane Stadnyk

Committee Chairs and Parish Organizations:

Children & Youth: Patricia McCoshen	Parish Activities: Faye Spelay
Communications: Doreen Rathgeber	Stewardship/ UCWLC: Brenda Pasloski
Finance: Fred Schrader	Cultural Centre: Russ Thompsom <i>absent</i>
Liturgical: Vacant	Golden Agers: Verna Moroz
Maintenance/ UCBC: Peter Moroz	K of C: Steve Popowich
Outreach: Verlee Zulyniak <i>absent</i>	Education: Lorne Brischuk

1. Meeting was called to order by Dave Spelay at 7:00 pm.
2. Opening Prayer: Led by Father Peter
3. Welcome and President's Comments:
Thank you to Doreen Rathgeber for chairing the nominating committee for the Annual General Meeting. January 5, 2015 is our Annual Parish Theophany (Pot Luck) supper at 6:30pm. We ask all Parish Council members to attend and help with the set up and cleanup of supper.
4. Adoption of Agenda:
 - a. Additions: none
 - b. Motion to Adopt Agenda:

Motion: *That the agenda be adopted as presented/amended.*
Moved: Fred Schrader; Seconded: Doreen Rathgeber Carried.
5. Minutes:
 - a. Errors or Omissions:
Under Item #13 – should read November
 - b. Adoption of Minutes: November 18, 2014

Motion: *That the minutes be adopted as presented/amended.*
Moved: Peter Moroz; Seconded: Pat McCoshen Carried.
6. Business Arising from the Minutes: none
7. Treasurer's Report:

Motion: *That the Treasurer's November report be accepted as presented.*
Moved: Fred Schrader; Seconded: Faye Spelay Carried.

8. Correspondence: none

9. Pastor's Report:

Last month the question came up whether we were really saving money with the new insurance. The total saving for the Parish and the Redemptorists was \$1,583.00. Since the cost of the insurance is split between St. Mary's Parish and the Redemptorist community, each saw a saving of \$792.00.

Next year an Annual Eparchial Appeal will be launched. There will be two special issues of the Eparchial News explaining the details. The first will be on Sunday, January 4, 2015 and the second on Sunday, February 1, 2015.

On Thursday, January 15 there will be a Deanery Orientation Session at St. Mary's Cultural Centre. This will include Pastors and members from the Yorkton Pastoral District, Ituna Pastoral District, Canora Pastoral District, Wynyard Pastoral District and Kamsack Pastoral District. The meeting will start at 7:00pm.

The end of the calendar year is fast approaching. Let us not forget the real reason we will soon be celebrating. It is the Nativity of our Lord. Let us take time to prepare ourselves spiritually, so that it will truly be a spiritual celebration.

10. Committee Reports:

a. President's Report

b. Finance Committee

- The GIC with the renewal date of November 20, 2014 was renewed at the rate of 2.05% for a term of 2 years.
- Re: water bill for rectory- the meters were read, toilets checked and flushing mechanisms were replaced. Did not identify any leaks, but the issue seems to be resolved. Will continue to monitor.

c. Liturgical

d. Parish Activities

- Annual Parish Theophany (Pot luck) supper to be held on January 5

e. Maintenance

- No report

f. Children & Youth

- The Fathers handed out Christmas Nativity puzzles to children present at Liturgy.

g. Education Committee

- All programs running well

h. Communications

- No report

i. Stewardship

- No report

- j. Outreach
 - No report

- k. Parish Organizations:
 - i. UCBC
 - Annual Eparchial meeting hosted December 6
 - Regular and General Meeting held on December 14
 - Slate of officers for upcoming year were presented – no changes
 - Donation of \$200.00 to the orphans in Ukraine
 - The UCBC sold 25 calendars
 - Will fund 1/3 of cost of broadcast for Christmas Liturgy service
 - Christmas gifts presented to Fathers

 - ii. UCWLC
 - Christmas Party held on December 1
 - As Elizabeth Zahayko has been elected President of the Eparchial Executive, Brenda Pasloski will step into the position of President of the UCWLC
 - Planning underway for Spring Bake Sale
 - Next regular meeting to be held in February

 - iii. Knights of Columbus
 - Thank you to Dave Spelay for reporting of activities of the Knights
 - 2014 has been a busy year
 - Keep Christ in Christmas posters have been distributed to elementary schools. It will be very difficult to pick a winner
 - Youth Bowling to be held on January 18. Open to all the youth in the Parish
 - Coats for Needy Children successful – more coats have been ordered
 - Christmas gifts presented to Fathers

 - iv. UCY:
 - No report

 - v. Golden Agers
 - Christmas Social held on Thursday
 - Bingos will resume at the end of January

 - vi. Cultural Centre
 - No report

I. Adoption of Reports:

Motion: *That the Committee and Parish Organization reports be accepted as received.*

Moved: Brenda Pasloski; Seconded: Doreen Rathgeber; Carried.

11. On-going Business:

- a. Gifts for Fathers

Motion: *The Christmas gifts for the Fathers to remain at the same amount as the previous year.*

Moved: Peter Moroz; Seconded: Fred Schrader Carried.

- b. Water bill in Rectory
- Resolved

12. New Business

- a. Nominating Committee
- Doreen Rathgeber will head nominating committee.

- b. Caretakers contract

Motion: *To extend caretaking contract to Orest and Elizabeth Zahayko for a term of two years, from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2016 at the cost of \$700.00 per month.*

Moved: Fred Schrader; Seconded: Lorne Brischuk Carried.

- c. Mileage for Office 2015

Motion: *To increase mileage allowance for office staff: Teresa Brischuk – increase to \$200.00 and Elizabeth Zahayko – increase to \$300.00*

Moved: Fred Schrader; Seconded: Brenda Pasloski Carried.

- d. GIC renewal
- Renewed November 21 for a 2 year term at a rate of 2.005%

- e. AGM Sunday

Motion: *To hold Annual General Meeting on Sunday, March 1, 2015 at 2:00 pm.*

Moved: Peter Moroz; Seconded: Fred Schrader Carried

- f. Deanery meeting Thursday, January 15, 2015

13. Closing Remarks:

14. Meeting Dates for January:

- a. Executive: Tuesday, January 13, 2015
- b. Parish Council: Tuesday, January 20, 2015

15. Motion of Adjournment: Dave Spelay at 7:40 pm.

16. Closing Prayer: Led by Father Kushko