



## Parish Council Meeting Minutes July 7, 2009

Member	Term	Present	Excused	Absent
Rev. Joseph Farrell	ex-officio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Deacon Ray Staub	ex-officio		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Anthony Mammoliti	ex-officio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Deacon Vincent Ricciardi	ex-officio			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leo Agrillo - President	3 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Kerry Flynn	3 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Yovone Rasor - Secretary	3 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Pat Vanderbeek	3 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Judith Broehl	2 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Robert Broehl	2 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Julie Mozulay	2 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Jack Trotta	2 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Gerard Adamski - Vice President	1 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Karen Homeny	1 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Peggy Lestician	1 Year		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Bernard McNelis	1 Year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Youth Member (Vacant)	1 Year			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

The meeting was opened with reflection on the second reading from last Sunday.

The minutes of June 2, 2009 were reviewed and accepted as corrected.

**Next meeting: Tuesday August 4, 2009 at 7:30PM**

### 1. President's Report

No report.

### 2. Unfinished Business

All members introduced themselves.

There was a discussion of the three open slots as only one candidate accepted the nomination. The council makes the following appointments for a three year term 2009 – 2012: Leo Agrillo, Yovone Rasor, and Pat Vanderbeek.

### 3. New Business

The officers for the year July 1, 2009 until June 30, 2010 are:

Leo Agrillo - President

Gerard Adamski - Vice President

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Yovone Rasor - Secretary

Congratulation to the new officers.

We discussed increasing participation in the parish community. The question was asked if the parish has a platform to increase the outreach now that we have a facility that is equipped to service more members. There was a discussion of who to target and the demographics of the parish. Greeting people as they walk into Church needs to be continued to make people feel part of the parish without losing the intimacy of the chapel. Father Joe stated that 65% of registered parishioners do not attend mass. There was a discussion of targeting the members that do attend to have them become more engaged. There was a discussion on how to keep people after mass to mingle in the narthex. Light refreshments will be considered. Discussion of doing a survey to see what parishioners want but the recommendation is that any survey questions must be very specific. There was a discussion on how to promote parish events. Discussion of providing suggestion box to parish council. An email address to the council president may be more viable. Leo will investigate establishing a parish council email.

A morning prayer retreat is now scheduled for Saturday, October 31, 2009

Diane's office is moving to the new church. The rectory offices will be rearranged and Fr. Joe's office will be in his house. Bookcases will be installed in the church hall for religious education material.

Golf tournament is scheduled for August 24, 2009 with a planning meeting tomorrow. The dinner will be held at the Ancient Order of Hibernians at about 5:30 PM and will cost \$50.00. Golfing and dinner will cost \$150.00 Brochures will be available this weekend.

### 4. New Church Construction Project

Liturgy of the new church was exceptional and it is now our church. We need to spread the faith and bring in more people. Pat made a suggestion to use the DVD of the dedication as part of the religious education program and the council agrees that this would be worthwhile to pursue. We need to move forward and make the parish grow.

Church signs are the size allowed per North Hanover township ordinance.

The meeting ended at 8:58 PM.