



ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Jan 10, 2022

1. Meeting called to order at 7:09 PM
2. Opening Prayer by Fr Angelo
3. **Quorum / Roll Call**—all on zoom but Jim
4. **Reading and Ratification of the previous meeting minutes**—Eric moved approval; Peggy seconded; approved
5. **Treasurer's Report** – Eric presented the report through Nov. He commented that it was a positive month--up quite well over 2020; He stated that it looks like stewardship for Dec will be about \$247-248,000.
 - General Checking Account Balance: \$289,494.28
 - Maintenance Fund Account Balance: \$8,187.06
 - Capital Improvement Fund Balance: \$21,713.11
6. **Stewardship Report** – See Stewardship and Financial report below
8. **Old Business**
 - Replacement of basement windows—in progress; need to be delivered and installed.
7. **New Business**
 - Election Status—Fr. A. needs to send letter to Diocese and put a notice in Good News regarding elections; we had 3 open positions but had 2 volunteers and Alan has agreed to volunteer for the third position after some discussion. Swearing in as soon as ratification comes back from the Diocese.
 - Hall Manager update—She was to start this week but her father passed last week so she will be in next week; Lena has blackout dates from organizations; and pricing needs to be finalized. The manager will get website done and link to the church's website. She will be responsible to show hall, arrange contracts, keep track of calendars, etc. Zac asked if the hall can be shown with their chairs for pictures
 - Snowplowing and Salting –Fr. A. talked with Quatela about the parking lot not being salted. There have been 3 accidents in the parking lot from



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slipping on ice. Fr. talked to maintenance department at Gleason, who is doing the plowing. They cannot get to us until 6:15 a.m. The salt needs about 20 mins to act and Quatela arrives early. They are renting out 15 spaces; Fr. A called different companies and could not find anyone to do this. Fr. talked to Demitri about Ed coming into salt—PC gave Demitri permission to research buying a salt sprayer.

- GOYA space—Fr. A. asked that now that GOYA up and running; would it be ok for GOYA to use space upstairs that was created for Fr. Jerry's office; PC approved this request.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

8. Education and Activities

- Tuesday Zoom Discussion ongoing - Study of Gospel of John
- Thursday YouTube Livechat – 7-8:30 pm; we have 6,000 subscribers and about \$4000 in the bank from this
- GOYA – Next event is snow tubing at Greystone on Jan 22
- Guest Speaker for Lent (Saturday Mar 12) – Fr. A asked us about bringing in Dr Jeanne Constantinou, who will be speaking on her new book – *Thinking Orthodox – Understanding the Orthodox Christian Mind*. It will be open to all 4 churches. It will start at 9 a.m. or 10 a.m. to 12 with a small lunch and then 1-5 p.m. with possibly a service. The fee is \$1500 plus expenses; consensus was to go ahead.

Maintenance, Supplies Building and Property upkeep

- Church roofing quotes – Andy Bouquin waiting on final numbers; probably around \$150,000.
- All three (3) A/C units replaced. Waiting for electrical hookup and control system install. Fr. A wants to investigate a wireless control system.
- Water Leakage Issue.

The following report was sent to Andy Bouquin from Charles N. Szczublewski of Montanosa Restoration concerning the results of the probe done to analyze the water damage issue below the hall-Church Breezeway. See also attached quote from Montanosa Restoration.

There was evidence of water getting in behind the brick which is most likely contributing or is the cause of the water seepage issue we are having in the basement at this location. The fact that the stairs were recently repaired by Catenary Construction should help this, but it looks like there are a few more



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things that should be done to ensure we remedy this issue. Charlie provided us a few options on the attached proposal.

It is Andy's opinion that we proceed with Option #2 (Caulking of the storefront on the south side) and Option #4 (Removal of the 4 lower courses of brick and the addition of flashing). There should have been flashing installed at this location originally, but was clearly never installed. After these two items have been taken care of we will wait a few week/months and see if the water issue has been resolved.

If it hasn't, we will then have to consider excavating and installing a waterproofing membrane on the foundation wall. Andy and Jim suggested a delay until Spring.

- Installation of gas shut-off for kitchens scheduled for week of 24 Jan.
- Landscape / grounds maintenance -signs reviewed with configurations—consensus was 962 East all on one line/rectangular; Alan did get hold of someone from Preservation League but suggested we talk to an architect for lettering above entrance.

9. Office/General Supplies – No issues

10. Public Relations/Outreach/ Visitations

- Philoptochos, Sunday School, Greek School, GOYA Diaper Drive scheduled for January

11. Volunteer Workday at Saint Michael's Church, 859 North Clinton Avenue-- starting at 9 a.m. and Fr. A. will send out email. Fr A restarted Rochester clergy meetings with local churches.

12. Communications Ministry

- Additional resource added to Studio – Frank Cost, professor at RIT is being trained in the studio

13. Fund Raising Updates

Greek Festival dates are June 2,3,4,5. Alan will be meeting with John Vangellow and Mike Nassis on Wed and trying to set up steering committee meeting for next week; contracts need to be signed by someone on Exec board. Marketing discussed.

14. Closing prayer / Adjournment: 8:15 PM



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STEWARDSHIP and FINANCIAL REPORT – FOR EOM DEC 2021

1. Stewardship contributions were \$22,930 – ahead of the \$21,660 monthly average to reach our goal of \$260,000 for the year. YTD Stewardship is \$219,286, 2.5% higher than the same period in 2020. We'll need \$41K in December to reach our goal.
2. As reported earlier, there are a couple of financial entries that need further clarification and reposting. We'll follow up with the bookkeeper when the YE data is available to make sure all revenue and expense items are posted properly.
3. The year over year comparison report (Jan 1 thru Nov 30 2021 as compared to the same period in 2020 shows some positive revenue trends concluding;
4. Candles, Sunday & Other both up over 95% and up \$26K over the prior period.
5. Donations Unrestricted up \$76K or 142% over the prior period.
6. Memorial Donations up \$48K or 85% over the prior period.
7. Parking Revenue up \$21K or 172% over the prior period.
8. Hall Rental Income up \$4K or 1,178% over the prior period.
9. Flower Receipts up \$6K or 368% over the prior period.
10. Expenses increased during the period but over all our Net Income was \$146K up 54% over the prior period.