

**Parish Council Meeting  
June 10, 2024  
Remote Zoom Meeting (recorded)**

**Roll Call**

**Parish Council Members Present:** Donna Dimitri, Christine Dardaris, Sergio Georgi, Davit Jishkariani, Zachary Smith, Reem Tarazi

**Parish Council Members Absent:** Nilda Salavachi

**Clergy:** Fr. Kai

**Auxiliary Members Present:** Linda Croke, Linda Notskas, Chris Manosis, Steve Coraluzzi, Elvira Gusho

**Meeting opened at 7:30 pm with prayer.**

**Treasurer's Report (reported by Zachary Smith)**

At end May 2024:

- Checking account down to ~\$31,000
- Investment account up to ~\$280,600
- Up to 50 pledges received so far: ~\$42,000 pledged, ~\$26,000 received
- Notable Income
  - Continue to do well with candles and collections
  - We received almost \$6000 in pascha donations this month for ~8500 total
  - About \$800 in memorial donations
- Notable Expenses
  - Capital improvement – about \$25,000 this month
- In the red currently
- Bank and CC statement available for review

Sergio moved to accept the report, seconded by Christine. No discussion. Zach and Reem abstained. Motion passed.

**Secretary's Report (reported by Reem Tarazi)**

Reem presented the minutes from the April 2024 meeting. No discussion.

Sergio moved to accept minutes as presented and seconded by Christine. Motion passed.

**Clergy report (reported by Fr. Kai)**

1. September Archdiocesan meeting – we want representation at the meeting and to support the goal of unity within the archdiocese
2. Bishop coming to Sts. Peter and Paul for Vespers on June 29 and liturgy on June 30; those in our parish should attend Vespers there on June 29
3. No vespers services at our church this summer
4. Asked for some new items for altar – new table covers, chalice, gospel – to continue efforts to beautify the church
5. Wedding on June 1 and couple baptisms since last meeting
6. Fr. Kai expressed he is content as priest in our parish

### **Chairperson Report (reported by Donna Dimitri)**

1. Windows installed, trimmed out and painted. Paid Joe Ritchie, \$17,500.00 which included plaster work inside of church. Will proceed to work with church firm to finalize the Icons and crosses for the windows. 10 Feast Days for the

- Annunciation
- Ascension
- Baptism
- Entry into Jerusalem
- Exaltation of the Cross
- Presentation of Christ
- Nativity of Christ
- Holy Pentecost
- Resurrection
- Transfiguration

For the doors leading from the candles stand to the church, Nativity and Dormition of the Theotokos, St. John Chrysostom, St. George.

In the end, the project should cost 55-56000.

Zach pointed out that list of icons for the main windows did not get sent with letter to parishioners (letter references the 10 icons) so Donna will send that out.

2. Hall rental this Saturday 11:00a – 2:00p Kristin Cosmo.
3. Bishop Nikodhim and Deacon Juxhin will visit Ss. Peter & Paul June 29 & 30<sup>th</sup> for their Feast Day Celebration.
4. All Gothic windows in the church hall were re-caulked and the 3 windows that did not close properly were repaired. All of the caulk along the lower roofs was removed and re caulked. The copper gutters were checked and resoldered as needed. Masonry repairs along lower roofs. This work was done by Joe Ritchie at a cost of \$7,000.00. This should take care of the leaks we have been experiencing. We will call Joe if there are additional problems.
5. Father Kai, Linda Croke and I attended Archpriest John Scollard's funeral in Worcester MA June 6 & 7<sup>th</sup>.
6. Archdiocesan Assembly September 20-21, 2024; Meeting on Friday September 20. All invited to attend. Tentatively Deacon Juxhin will be ordained to the Priesthood on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. Hopefully we will have many parish council members and parishioners attend the ordination.
7. Working on the damaged sign in front of the church. Haven't gotten any estimates for the repair as of this date.
8. I will not be in church July 7, 2024.

### **Vice-Chairperson Report (reported by Sergio Georgi)**

1. We've had issues with getting emails to people with comcast; comcast has blocked our ip address; ticket has been opened and completed several forms with no response. Sergio working on shifting to a new provider since there does not seem to be another solution right now with current provider.
2. No one has offered to help consistently with website management and information updates; still looking for help

### **Old Business**

1. Semi-annual meeting held on 6/2/24; Donna summarized main points from meeting
2. Linda Notskas and Anila Vero will be voting delegates at the Archdiocese meeting. Donna (Archdiocese treasurer) attends in that role, Sergio takes Donna's spot as our council president, and Fr. Kai also votes from our parish
  - a. Sergio offered to provide any AV help since meeting will be at church and not hotel
  - b. Linda N willing to give her spot to anyone else that may be interested in serving as a voting delegate

### **New Business**

1. Request by catholic Archdiocese for donation for Key and Sword. Last year we donated \$500. Reem made a motion to make a \$750 donation this year. Davit seconds the motion. Motion passed. Linda N asked if we give an additional donation for parking and Zach confirmed this is the donation we do as our thank you for access to parking. Zach will make donation.

**Next Parish Council monthly meeting scheduled for Monday, July 15 at 7:30pm.**

**The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm with a closing prayer.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Reem Tarazi