

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting - August 8, 2017
St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church

Donna Dimitri opened the monthly meeting at 7:11 pm with prayer and thanked everyone for attending.

Roll Call: Linda Biando. **Council Members Present:** Donna Dimitri, Michele Lorimer, Nilda Salavachi, Sergio Georgi. **Auxiliary Members Present:** Dorothy Tomassini, Linda Biando, Linda Notskas, Linda Kosta. **Sunday School Director:** Steve Coraluzzi. **Absent:** Father Brooks, Jani Mara, William Bortner, Janice Leyden.

Secretary's Report: The July 2017 minutes were presented by Michele Lorimer. A correction was noted under Committee/Other Reports, correct spelling of "Katie" to "Kathie". Nilda Salavachi made a motion to accept the minutes with the amendments. Linda Biando seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Nilda Salavachi presented the June & July 2017 Treasurer's reports.

1. Pledges are at 85%. \$50,985.00 was pledged, we received \$34,001.00.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report could not be made at this time, the memorial donations for Ted Lescas have not been entered yet.

Vice-Chairperson Report: Nothing to report, Janice Leyden not present.

Pastor Report: Father Brooks not present

1. Father Brooks on vacation 8/28 - 9/6.
2. Sept. 3rd Father Emmanuel will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at St. John's.
3. Fr. Brooks requested the presence of a few parish council members at events held at our church such as weddings, baptisms, funerals.

Chairperson's Report: Donna Dimitri

1. Building Update: South side upper roof/gutter project completed. To date we have spent \$19,419.45. Outstanding invoices totaling \$8,595.00. Total for south side \$28,014.45. Waiting for estimate for the north side and the back of the church. Mulroy Bay will do the remainder of the work.
2. In the process of installing a WiFi thermostat in the church hall. The other WiFi thermostat works perfectly.
3. Hall rental: George Kosova would like to rent the hall on Saturday, August 26th, OK'd by Council.
4. Hall Windows: Another change in plan. Due to the need to complete the roof repairs we will postpone the window project until next year. It does not make sense to install new windows under a roof that leaks.
5. Website: Thanks to Sergio and Tish for maintaining the website. Sergio has added photos and has stayed on top of the maintenance.

6. Parish Directory: Emailed to parishioners yesterday. I have received a few corrections. Will wait a couple of weeks before resending.
7. Nick Naum Scholarship: Scholarship checks (\$2,000.00 each) were presented to our recipients: Adam Coraluzzi, Michele Coraluzzi, Anesti Kondili, Jorgji Ndrecka for \$2,000.00 will be presented by Stephanie Kosta and Nicole Pappas on Sunday, July 13, 2017. Diana Dussling, Nick's niece was notified of the award recipients and was sent a photo. She was most appreciative.
8. Archdiocesan Assembly: Committee met Aug. 1st. We have a game plan for the food, will decide on the caterer at the next meeting on Aug. 28th. Marinela Prifti will also help out. The Assembly committee: Father Brooks, Steve Coraluzzi, Linda Kosta, Linda Biando, Nilda Salavachi, Linda Notskas and Bill Bortner.
9. Backround checks: We will wait until new council is elected. Sunday school teachers will complete forms this month.
10. 40 Memorial for Tom Z: I'm not sure of the family plans for his 40 day memorial. If they are not going to have one I propose we have the memorial and sponsor coffee hour on Sunday, September 3rd, 2017.

Committee/Other Reports:

1. Sunday School: Steve Coraluzzi
 - Teacher workshop will be held soon
 - First day of Sunday school - Sunday, September 17th.

Old Business:

1. Liturgy in the park & church picnic: Saturday, August 20th at Neshaminy State Park.
2. Archdiocesan Assembly: Friday, September 22nd hosted by our Parish/Dinner in church hall.
3. Church clean-up day: Saturday, September 9th.
4. Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic & Dinner: October 1st, Paxon Hollow Country Club.

New Business:

1. Semi-Annual Parish Meeting and new council elections - October 22, 2017.
2. Christmas Outing - Nilda Salavachi will look into events for this year's outing.
3. Next parish council meeting- Thursday, September 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Michele Lorimer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 pm. Nilda Salavachi seconded the motion. All were in favor, whereupon the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Lorimer
Secretary