

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting - December 6, 2016**  
**St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church Parish Council**

The Council Chair, Donna Dimitri, opened the monthly meeting at 7:05 pm with prayer and thanked everyone for attending.

**Election of new Officers for 2017:** Nominated and seconded:

Council Chair	Donna Dimitri
Vice-Chair	Janice Leyden (Jani Mara nominated but declined)
Treasurer	Nilda Salavachi
Secretary	Michele Lorimer
Trustees	Jani Mara, William Bortner, Sergio Georgi

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

**Secretary's Report:** The November 2016 minutes were presented by Michele Lorimer. Nilda Salavachi made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Jani Mara. All were in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Michele Anderson presented the November 2016 Treasurer's Report. 1) Capital Improvements Expense was up due to the expense of the lower church roof repair. 2) Brochure stand for Outreach Committee was ordered, costing \$300.00. 3) We received 83% of the budget from the icon sale. Michele Lorimer made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Nilda Salavachi. All were in favor.

**Pastor Report:** No report (Fr. Brooks not present)

**Vice-Chairperson's Report:** No report

**Chairperson's Report:** Donna Dimitri

1. Donna welcomed the newly elected Parish Council for 2017 and thanked them for serving.
2. Building Update
  - Tom installed quarter round, trim pieces on the pillars and caulk around pews. New rug in candle stand area.
  - Southside upper roof/gutter project will commence after the 1st of the year.
3. Archbishop Nikon visit went very well. Only about 16 people for Saturday night vespers. Great attendance and great food on Sunday. Archbishop Nikon commented on how beautiful the church was.

4. Christmas

- Church decorated on Saturday, Dec 3rd. We had about 10 people attend. Suggestion to make it kid friendly next year. Greta Dilo updated the wreaths for the church pillars.
  - Christmas letter mailed to those who do not normally come to church. Stack of letters at the candle stand. Those that are not distributed this Sunday will be mailed next Sunday.
5. OCA Sexual Misconduct Policy will be emailed to everyone. Please read and be prepared to sign form at next meeting.

**Sunday School Report:** Steve Coraluzzi

1. Halloween party raised \$218.00.
2. Christmas Pageant Dec. 18th - Sandi Fiss
3. Ice skating outing will be sometime in late January.
4. Candy sale fundraiser not as successful as last year. Candy to be delivered Dec. 11th & 18th.
5. Marinella will cover the high school class while Fr. Brooks is away.

**Old Business:**

1. Annual Christmas Outing December 10th, lunch and the Philly Pops.
2. Saturday, December 24th, Christmas Eve Liturgy at 6:00 pm.

**New Business:**

1. Saturday, Jan. 7th Baptism of Vanessa, Haley, Mikayla and Nathan Kashari.
2. Holy Theophany/Epiphany is celebrated on Jan. 6th. Father Brooks will bless the water on Jan. 8th.
3. Jan. 8th Part 1 of our annual Icon Auction.
4. Jan. 15th Part 2 of our annual Icon Auction.
5. Women's Day Dance will be sometime in March.
6. Next Parish Council Meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 10th at 7:00 pm.

Michele Lorimer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 pm. Janice Leyden seconded the motion. All were in favor, whereupon the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Lorimer  
Secretary