Saint Mark Orthodox Church Annual Meeting Minutes Sunday, November 17, 2024

OFFICERS: Father Gregory Safchuk, President: Tom Jenkins, Vice President: Michael McDonald, Treasurer: Sharon Sielinski, and Secretary: Marcella Hydock

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chris Barnewolt, Martha Baxtresser, Tina Burpee, Tammy Jacobsen, Regina Kundell, Michael Mihailov, John Michael Mikuluk, Jill Stevens.

[Note: the meeting was held in person and audio recorded.]

I. OPENING PRAYER: Father Gregory led the opening prayer at 11:30 AM

- **II. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Kyra Smerkanich moved to accept the May 19, 2024 Semi-Annual minutes as corrected. Michael Lungociu seconded. Motion carried.
- **III. RECTOR'S REPORT:** Father Gregory had nothing new to add to his report in the read ahead packet.
- **IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**: Tom Jenkins had nothing new to add to his report in the read ahead packet.
- V. TREASURER'S REPORT: Sharon Sielinski had nothing to add to her report in the read ahead packet.

We will discuss the 2025 budget later in new business.

Shirley Dean moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Debbi Dillon seconded. Motion carried.

Jack Albert gave the auditor's report that he and Matushka Ann Prentice completed for the fiscal year that ended December 31, 2023. He handed Pres. Tom Jenkins a hard copy of the report.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

 ICONOGRAPHY COMMITTEE REPORT – Paulina Masick reminded us that everyone is welcome to attend the iconography meetings. Wayne Tatusko moved to go ahead with the creation icon. Shirley Dean seconded. One opposed. One abstention. Motion carried.

- 2. OUTREACH AND CHARITY Tammy Jacobsen reported that the grocery cards we give to Highland Elementary families are due today. We collected \$1400.00. They will share with other schools in the area who don't have the support that they do. The list of 40 "angels" from Highland Elementary for the Angel Tree Project donations will be available on Sign Up Genius soon. Tammy thanked the young adults and Alexis Steffaro for spearheading the National FOCA chapters seminarian family Christmas Wish List. Donations deadline is December 1st. Information is available in the Sunday bulletin.
- 3. BUILDING AND GROUNDS The fire alerting and detection system is up and running. There is an elevator inspection at the end of the month. We have provisional approval on the permits to use these systems.
 Building and Grounds-The boiler is stable right now. This is an aging system. The air conditioning systems are on the roof. The roof would have to come off to replace the AC system. Any proposals received for replacing/repairing these systems will be brought to the parish to vote on.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS The nominating committee nominated Chris German, Natalya Edwards, and Patricia Prose to replace the three council members whose terms are up. The committee thanked Regina Kundell, Michael Mihailov, and Martha Baxtresser for their service and time while on parish council. Shirley Dean moved to accept the nominations. Debbi Dillon seconded. Motion carried.
- 2025 BUDGET Sharon Carter presented the proposed 2025 budget. Shirley Dean moved to accept the 2025 budget. Wayne Tatusko seconded. Motion carried.
- **3. DATE OF THE SEMI- ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** The meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 18, 2025.
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT: Shirley Dean moved to adjourn. Mark Phinney seconded. Motion carried.

Father Gregory closed the meeting at 12:30 p.m. with "It is Truly Meet"

Respectfully submitted by,

Marcella Hydock St Mark Parish Council Secretary