

**HOLY TAXIARHAI and ST. HARALAMBOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 18, 2019**

**Commencement of meeting:** Prayers lead by Fr Dean at 7:48PM. Fr George is also present.

**Parish Council Members in Attendance:** N Andrews, T Bournias, W Bozikis, A Demeros, N Gianaris, P Giannopoulos, G Houpis, K Ioannou, T Kanelos, T Karabatsos, E Kiriazopoulos, L Konstantellos, A Koutsikos, R Kozlowski, D Loomos, A Rizos, T Sikoral

**Absent:** C Agalliu, G Giolas, J Pierce, M Pontikes

**Minutes** of July and August reviewed. **Motion** to accept the June 2019 Parish Council meeting minutes T Sikoral / 2nd T Kanelos to **Vote 9-0-4 Pass**

**Motion** to accept the August 2019 Parish Council meeting minutes P Giannopoulos / 2nd E Kiriazopoulos **Vote 9-1-3 Pass**

**Correspondence** -- \$1,190 contributions up to date.

**Motion** to donate \$100 to the Orthodox Christian Prison Ministries T Kanelos / W Bozikis  
**Vote 9-2-4 Pass**

**Motion** to donate \$200 to the Midwest Hellenic Dance Festival by T Bournias / 2nd N Andrews  
**Vote 7-5-3 Pass**

**Motion** to pledge \$500 to 30th Anniversary the Orpheas Folklore Dance Society T Bournias / 2nd A Demeros **Vote 14-1-0 Pass**

Thank you letter from Father Giami for donations to Ghana

New contribution total: **\$1,990**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Financials Report for August 31, 2019 reviewed and discussed

**Motion** to accept the August 2019 Statement Financials T Sikoral / 2nd E Kiriazopoulos **Vote: 15-0-1 Pass**

**Youth Protection Policy** update presented by Argy Koutsikos. All persons in contact with any minor has to go through training under new policy. More implementation procedures to come.

**Food Festival update:** Presented by P Giannopoulos

Handout provided, comparing current year and past 10 years through 2010. Review of Revenues and Expenses, attendance and net income.

**10/12/19 - Fall Fest.** Presented by E Kiriazopoulos. 11:00 am to 10:00 pm. Need volunteers to help cook, serve, help with the activities. The sides, pita, fries, hot dogs are donated. There will be alcohol and a tent. May need special event permit with Niles.

**Phase III update:** 80% dug out of the foundation. Pouring foundation and footing to be next. Steel work and underground mechanical work next. We are getting a discount on foundation work. Once the foundation is down, the rest of the project will move faster.

### **Phase III Fundraising** - no updates

**Building & Grounds:** HVAC -- \$48,000 units have started being installed.

Door being added to hallway to classrooms is being manufactured, custom-made (\$4,500).

Looking into varnishing the wood doors (Open Item)

**Golf Outing** - Good weather, good gifts, should be a good time. 88 players, 22 groups of 4.

**Men's Event** Discussion of increasing the fee from \$125 to \$140, and every 15th name be a winner rather than every 10th name drawing. Discussion had to keep the same

**2020 Dinner Dance** with Saturday School PTO on 2/16/20. It will be a good opportunity for different people to take the lead and do the work. Feb 16, 2020. L Konstantellos will help with the adbook.

### **For the Good of the Parish**

The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom book printed and to be handed out to parishioners for a few weeks before liturgy (about 1,200 books)

-Do we have a stewardship minimum? We do in some circumstances.

-Holy Trinity - The time has passed where we could have helped a fellow parish, even though anything we could have given would have been a drop in the bucket.

-Time Clock ready to go. Data will be saved to one of the computers, not to a cloud. Someone has to go in at the end of the time period and retrieve the data.

-Discussion had with paycheck - has to be corrected for custodians, and also for other employees. Per Chris, so that no one feels the pinch of a week behind, they can push the check provided a day later each pay period over a period of several months. Whatever the decision for delaying in providing the checks, provide advance notice to employees of new policies.

-Upcoming Parish Council Budget meeting 10-1-19 @7:30pm. Budget presentation to follow at General Assembly for approval.

-Computers in the office are about 5 years old right now. Will need about \$500 per computer for replacing them

-Background checks - we are obligated to pay for the fee, especially for volunteers.

-Sent out emails on Bowling - let Perry know if you want to do it or don't want to do it.

-Luncheon in Chicago - Chicago Children's Medical Fund, annual fundraiser of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society (hosted this year by the Metropolis of Chicago Philoptochos) on November 16th, 2019 at Chicago Marriott

E Kiriazopoulos/ a Rizos motion to adjourn, **Vote Unanimous Pass**

Closing Prayers led by Fr Dean at 10:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Krystal Ioannou, Recording Secretary

Open Items

- 1) Varnishing the wood doors
- 2) Time Clock / PayCheck Delay & Notice (to employees)
- 3) Replacement of Office Computers