

Minutes
St. Mary Eldora Building & Grounds

St. Mary Building & Grounds Committee met on Thursday, May 9, 2019. Present: Jim Roling, Mary Quinlin, Marg Ruble, Larry Kadolph, Bill Grothoff, Brian Krause, Paul Lawler, Diana Stickney, Dennis Stickney, Ron Neuerburg and Pat Fuchs. The meeting opened with a prayer.

Furnace Issues in Parish Residence

Denny had to contact Whink Services several times regarding furnace issues, ie seemingly lack of caulk around a pipe to the outside, needed to be an intake from the outside instead of from inside the basement, floor vents need to be changed from white to a color more suitable to the interior of the residence, they will remove the old boiler but at a cost to St. Mary. Denny will research the value of radiators. The committee asked Larry to contact Whink to see if they would accommodate St. Mary on any of the concerns they have.

Vent Repair

Denny updated members on updates on the vent in the handicap restroom. In the future the outside metal structure will be removed.

AC Bids

The three bids were discussed. Reliable will charge \$220 for electrical hookup unless there is someone in the parish that can provide that service. It was decided to accept the bid from Reliable. Discussion centered around the fact that Whink has the maintenance contracts for the residence and it may cause a conflict if they did not install the AC unit. Mary questioned the wisdom of having a service contract for the residence so it may be dropped from the contract. However, no one can recall seeing a contract so Larry and Pat will check to see if there is a written contract in place. The group approved the bid going to Reliable for the AC install in the parish residence.

Mary will write a personal letter to parishioners asking for donations and Pat will get it in the bulletin after the letter goes out and write letters to the Whink and J & T who did not receive the bids.

Outside Bulletin Board

Bulletin board needs paint; Jim will sand and Pat will paint it.

North Downspout Repair

Jim updated the committee on the downspout repair. Downspouts were cut off and a plastic drain board was added on each one.

Downspout on Northwest Corner

Bill and Denny will check and see if it can be disconnected.

Landscaping

Sara will plant around the Mary statue and the pots on the north side. Large landscaping rock is off the table for now.

Floor Refurbishing

Pat will check on bids for refurbishing the kitchen, parish center, classrooms, KC room, and restroom floors.

Door Leak

Bill and Denny will check into fixing the leak under the door on the east side outside of the office.

General Cleanup

There will be an inside cleanup in the fall involving parishioners.

Vandalism

There was another incident of vandalism on church grounds on Sunday, May 5. A rock was thrown and broke a window on the upper east side of the building. The parent showed up after the incident and left her name and phone number. Luckily the outside window protected the stained glass. Cost to repair will be \$151. It was agreed that the parents should be contacted to make restitution. Pat will contact the Eldora Police Department to implement a plan. There was some discussion about possible solutions to protect the property but no decision was made.

Parking Lot Lighting

A neighbor next to the parish center has a concern about the brightness of the lights in the parking lot. There was no decision to change the current lighting situation.

Custodial Duties

Jim announced he will not be filling in for Joyce's position after May 25. Marg shared that the Finance Committee has been looking for ways to cut expenses and one way is to try having volunteers cleaning the facility. Both the Pastoral Council and Finance Council have approved the plan. Marg and Pat have been working on organizing the venture. Ron will present to the parish at Mass on May 19 and Pat will get it in the bulletin the next weekend.

Action Items

- Larry will contact Whink Services to see if they will accommodate some of our requests regarding the boiler removal.
- Mary will create a letter asking for donations for the air conditioner project; Pat will reinforce the request by putting a notice in the bulletin.
- Outside bulletin board; Jim will sand, Pat will paint.
- Bill and Denny will check on the downspout on the northwest corner of the building and inspect/repair the leak in the east door outside the office.
- Pat will check on bids for refurbishing the tile floors.
- Pat will contact the Eldora PD to set up possible restitution for the damaged window on the east side.
- Pat will put the volunteer cleaning information in the May 26 bulletin.

Next meeting will be Thursday, August 22, 7:00 pm, KC Room.