

These meeting minutes were reviewed, amended and approved  
at the June 21, 2005 meeting.

**SAINT CECILIA PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING  
Tuesday May 17, 2005**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ed Fawkes, Sue Belcher, Jean Kresse, Bill Haas, Bud Montang, Alan Christy, Pat Halbur, Anne Schmitt, LuAnn Vulgamott and Father Terry.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chuck Gilarski and Terry Herrman.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Randy Dalhoff, Arlene Stacy, Bob Hauser and Jim Westphal.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Ed Fawkes called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.
2. **PRAYER:** Ed Fawkes led the group in prayer.
3. **SECRETARY'S REPORT:** The minutes from the April meeting were presented. **Jean Kresse** expressed a concern about comments regarding the Building Campaign under the topic of Elections. She said she was convinced at the time she was trying to raise money for the project that monies were being raised for the whole project.

Several other members of the Council said the only thing that could stop the project now would be if not enough money were to be raised. Otherwise the project is still scheduled for completion.

**MOTION** by **Bill Haas**, seconded by **Sue Belcher**, to accept the minutes of the April 2005 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **STAFF REPORTS:**

**Youth Ministry Report - Joe Lawlor** was not able to attend the meeting but his report was in the packets ([See addendum #1](#)).

**Financial Report - Arlene Stacy** said her report was contained in the packet. She also reported that the ballots for the election of candidates for the Parish Council and Board of Education have been corrected and now reflect 3 candidates to be elected for each organization. ([See addendum #2](#)).

**Spiritual Growth & Liturgy - Bob Hauser** reviewed some of the points made in the Minutes of the Committee, which were included in the packets ([See addendum #3](#)).

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**5. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Performance Evaluations - Bill Haas** reviewed the plan presented in the packets ([See addendum #4](#)). He said all that remains to be done is to develop a simple template that committees could use to list their accomplishments of the past and their goals and objectives for the future.

**Ed Fawkes** asked if these evaluations would be mandatory. **Bill** said the committees would be encouraged to participate and that the Parish Council considered them so important that they will be performing one on themselves. He said the Parish Council would review these and suggested that each Committee come before the Council and present them so questions and discussion could take place.

**MOTION** by **Jean Kresse**, supported by **Bill Haas**, to adopt this process of evaluation.  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

Each Parish Council committee representative will get a preliminary schedule of when each committee will be ready to report.

**LuAnn Vulgamott** asked how this would affect the group from Good Shepherd. Should they report as a committee?

**Father Terry** said that because they exist only as a Catholic group and building center, he didn't think they needed to do the self evaluation.

Because this group operates under the Saint Cecilia Parish Council, it was decided to add Good Shepherd Center concerns to the Parish Council evaluation and report.

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Christian Peterson Bas-relief:** **Ed Fawkes** reported that it has come to his attention that this sculpture, which now exists as a part of the Saint Cecilia sign on 24<sup>th</sup> Street, is in need of cleaning and preservation. The sculpture, done in limestone, is deteriorating due to weather. This piece is considered to be precious in the eyes of the art community. Some of the questions discussed were:

- Should a place be reserved in the new Narthex for it?
- Should a mold be made of it with the replica being installed in the sign and the original preserved somewhere inside of a building?

As instructions for its cleaning have been received from Museum curators, **Ed Fawkes** said he would take the responsibility for cleaning it but he asked the Council members to be thinking about its future.

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## 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS-

**Finance and Administration** -**Bud Montang** reviewed the Minutes of the Finance Committee contained in the packet ([See addendum #5](#)).

**Deanery** - **Bud Montang** reported that at a meeting of the Deanery an outreach program designed to bring Catholics who have left the church back home. The program would be called Welcome Home or Welcome Back and would be designed around small communities, which have experienced the same problems that drove the people away.

**Youth Ministry-** No further reporting

**Long Range Building Committee** – **Alan Christy** reported the new doors will be installed after Memorial Day and the old doors will be boarded up and construction of the new Narthex should begin. There was some question about whether caskets could make the swing through the new doors. Al will check on this. Construction is expected to be finished by next February, hopefully in time for Easter.

**Social Concerns Committee** - There was no report from the committee, Chuck Gilarski being absent from the meeting. However, **Bill Haas** said his wife Julie had visited the Bethesda food pantry and if we were thinking of providing food pantry services we would not only need more room but also lots of staff. It was noted that Bethesda says they don't need any more financial assistance from Saint Cecilia. **LuAnn Vulgamott** suggested those donations would be gladly accepted by the Jewell Food Pantry.

**Jean Kresse** noted the superb work being done by Cyndi Baughman and the cooks from Saint Cecilia's School in serving meals at the Methodist Church.

**Sanctity of Life** - A report was included in the Parish Council packet ([See addendum #6](#)). Several Council members were displeased with the reference to "Big Joe" in the minutes of this committee as opposed to using a proper name.

**Board of Education** - **Pat Halbur** reviewed the notes contained in the packet ([See addendum #7](#)). He mentioned Lori Van Fleet's award and also highlighted the good comments from the Archdiocese regarding Saint Cecilia's School.

**Family Life Committee** - No report.

**Elections** - **Ed Fawkes** reported that the elections would take place this next weekend.

**Good Shepherd Parish** - **LuAnn Vulgamott** reported that except for working on a leak in the basement of the building, everything else seems to be going smoothly, even the rain down the new downspouts! No more sidewalk heaving.

**Facilities** - Nothing to report.

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8. **OBSERVATIONS/EVALUATION/FEEDBACK** - **Parish Community Life Committee** - **Bill Haas** suggested establishing this committee now, especially with the new Welcome Back program being discussed by the Deanery. **Jean Kresse** volunteered to serve on this committee.
9. **PASTORAL COMMENTS** - **Father Terry** said Cornfest would take place in the School gym and on the playground August 21, 2005. He asked that this item be placed on next month's Agenda.
10. **ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

**NOTE:** *The next meeting will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2005, probably in the Adult/Youth Room.*

Respectfully submitted,  
**Jim Westphal**, Recording Secretary