

***Minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on February 15, 2017, being Meatfare Thursday***

**Call to order and prayer**

President Georgia Maheras called the meeting to order and Father Andreas led the attendees in prayer.

**Attendees**

Due to inclement weather, the meeting was held by telephone call-in.

**Unfinished business**

1. A motion to approve minutes from the prior meeting was tabled.
2. Parish cleaning – The question is raised whether or not the current arrangement with Mariana and family regarding the cleaning of the parish will continue.
  - a. Father Andreas advises that they are willing to continue.
  - b. Georgia recommends that we retain them for at least the day-to-day or basic cleaning.
  - c. Vasily suggests that we seek volunteers from parishioners to perform any necessary cleaning.
  - d. Nectar recounts that he does not believe that we have had success in the past in having volunteers performing cleaning.
  - e. Justin references contact that he recently had with state authorities and questions the appropriateness of continuing the present arrangement.
  - f. The item is tabled.
3. Rental of church to Sacred Harp
  - a. Father explains the nature of the group and their desire to rent the church, noting that they offer one dollar per person per use, as well assistance with parish cleaning. Approximately 15 to 22 people would be in the group.
  - b. Sotos voices his disapproval of the rental due to financial considerations.
  - c. The item is tabled.

**New business**

1. PC will host coffee hour with luncheon.
  - a. PC members are asked to bring food. Georgia will email particulars.
  - b. Sotos communicates a need for help with clean-up after the luncheon.
  - c. Roy explains his disquiet at charging for the meal.
  - d. Sotos speaks to point C above and says it is necessary to cover expenses. Much discussion ensues.
2. Capital improvements.
  - a. Father Andreas proposes a capital improvements survey and a series of town hall-style meetings.

## **Adjournment**

Nectar made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by an unknown caller. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Signature Authority**

**Rev. Fr. Andreas Papayiannis**

**Georgia Maheras, Parish Council President**

**Roy Barnes, Secretary**