

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 8, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Al Marifke called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL: Jerry Beine, Dennis Lorentz, Al Marifke, Mary Piontkowski, Tom Schroeder

GUEST: Brad Julga

EXCUSED: Ken Marshman, Mark Pike, Mark Schimenz, Mark Van Rixel

MINUTES: The minutes were approved as written by Dennis and Mary.

FINANCE COUNCIL REPORT: Jerry updated the committee on finances. The Improvement Fund had no expenditures. The pending water fountain and tile work is part of LOA and Deb, Maryrose and Ken will manage this project.

OLD BUSINESS:

PARKING LOT RESURFACING: We have only received one proposal so far, from Suburban Asphalt Co., Inc. for \$84,840.00. Ken is trying to find two more contractors willing to bid on this.

WORSHIP SPACE LIGHTING: This was not discussed because Ken was unable to attend the meeting. We will pursue this in the future.

CLASSROOM WINDOWS: We received only one bid which was from BGS Glass Service for \$79,989. This is a 42% increase from their earlier quote in 2017 (\$43,248). Ken has approached other companies for bids but has received no response.

LANDSCAPE PLANS: The committee did a campus walk-thru of the grounds. We reviewed the work done last fall. Undesirable plant material was removed improving the aesthetics of the building. The north sidewalk and railing were also removed and the area was put into grass.

COMMUNITY GARDENS: Brad Julga was present to give us an update on the gardens for the this year. The new representative for the U.W. Extension office is Martin Ventura who is based in Madison. They are trying to get more people to rent plots in the garden. We also need to improve maintenance of the common areas through help from the U.W. as well as from volunteers. The Extension has set aside \$700 to resurface the stone road leading to the garden. Brad informed us that the back flow preventer has been installed inside our building with a water meter. The Extension will pay approximately \$400 annually for their water usage.

LABYRINTH: Any discussion was put on hold pending further consultation.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing at this time.

ROUNDTABLE: The committee recommends that the parking lot resurfacing takes priority over the window installation. There are safety issues in the lot that need to be addressed as soon as possible. In addition, this will be a visual way for our parishioners to see their LOA donations being returned to the parish. The Committee thanked Brad for attending our meeting and for his input. He is always welcomed back to keep us informed on the gardens.

NEXT MEETING: May 13, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Tom Schroeder