

**15 October 2009**

**St. Rita Men's Club  
October 2009 Monthly Meeting**

The meeting is called to order by President Tom O'Hare. Father Tom led the opening prayer.

Those present are:

Bob Borella Joe Colello Chick Huettel Jim Kelly Jim Mahan Tom O'Hare  
Vern Quast Mark Stay Father Tom Michael Klein

Minutes from the last meeting of 17 September 2009 were read by Michael Klein and amended to say 'two cooking roasters were authorized for purchase of up to \$100.00.' Bob Borella made a motion to accept the minutes as read and amended, seconded by Mark Stay and carried.

Treasurers Report was presented by Treasurer Vern Quast. The balance as of 15 October 2009 is \$5,733.87 which includes \$3,000.00 held in reserve for the Confessional project. This leaves a balance of funds available of \$2,733.87. Bob Borella made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report seconded by Jim Mahan and carried.

**Old Business**

Tom O'Hare said he is working on the list of St. Rita Ministries that need the support of the Men's Club. He has contacted most of the Ministries and has received little response. He will report back when he receives any requests for help.

Chick Huettel has received three bids for the construction of the Confessional project. Bid #1 is for \$7,000.00 to \$8,000.00 from a friend of his. Bid #2 is for \$5,700.00 from Dave Delahoussaye. Bid #3 is for \$3,750.00 from Leroy, a neighbor of Joe Colello who is a cabinet maker and has built a confessional project. A discussion was held on a comparison of the three bids and their reliability based on preliminary plans. Bob Borella made a motion to put a hold on the project until after the first Fish Dinner to insure we have sufficient funds available to successfully complete the project. Seconded by Jim Mahan. Motion failed. Further discussion, Father Tom said he would like to see Dave Delahoussaye build the project because he is a parishioner, his membership in the Men's Club, and his support and contribution to St. Rita Parish. Joe Colello made a motion for Chick Huettel to meet with Dave and finalize cost, plans, and schedule to complete the project as efficiently as possible. Jim Kelly seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Bob Borella reported he is still working on the wooden Crucifix project for use at Lent during Station of the Cross.

Tom O'Hare reported the cost to make a vinyl fabric Easter Mass schedule sign to hang over the Mass schedule at the entrance off Moll Drive is \$450.00. This material was suggested for its ability to be rolled up and stored. Joe Colello suggested pricing a rigid PVC board sign for less

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money so Mass schedule times could be changed. Tom will revise cost proposal. Father Tom suggested also looking at replacing the St. Rita sign at Moll Drive and Hwy. 98 with one larger slat instead of three individual slats. Tom O'Hare will report back.

Father Tom said Father Pete is working on details of sponsorship cost for the Sunday 10:00 am St. Dominic cable TV Mass and the *Catholic in America* program. The goal for St. Rita is to produce three different video CD's promoting Parish Ministries and Activities and produce a collection of audio CD's from Father Tom's homilies and Wednesday Spirit Night presentations. The sponsors would be displayed on the CD's. The audio CD's would be sold at St. Rita. Jim Kelly reported he is working on the "Welcome to St. Rita" video. St. Rita needs sponsors for its CD's.

The Parish Work Day is October 17, 2009.

No other old business was discussed.

**New Business**

Chick Huettel asked Father Tom for an update on the financial condition of the Diocese and St. Rita Parish. Father said he did not know a great deal of the details of the Diocese, but he did not think there were any serious financial issues. The Financial Committee was working on the 2009 Fiscal Year Financial Report soon to be submitted to the Parish Council. The goal is to provide future quarterly financials to the parishioners. The Parish has paid considerable permitting cost for the Development Order for the building expansion. There is enough in savings to pay off the building debt. The final Development Order is not yet completed. Regional Utilities is requiring Tap Fees of approximately \$77,000 be paid at the issuance of the D.O. rather than at the time of construction. Wetlands permit was issued May 11, 2009 and requires improvement be made to the cypress swamp to look like a cypress swamp.

Joe Colello presented the winter dinner schedule. He is waiting on fish prices before setting dinner prices.

January 11, 2010	Pancake Breakfast.
January 15, 2010	1 <sup>st</sup> Fish Fry.
January 15, 2010	2 <sup>nd</sup> Fish Fry
February 12, 2010	3 <sup>rd</sup> Fish Fry
February 26, 2010	4 <sup>th</sup> Fish Fry
March 6, 2010	Pasta Dinner.

Joe Colello asked Bob Borella to stand and be recognized for recently becoming a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree member in the Knight of Columbus. Congratulations Bob.

No other new business was presented.

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Bob Borella made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Mark Stay and carried. Father Tom closed the meeting with a prayer.

End

Michael Klein, Secretary

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