

Holy Spirit Catholic Church Pastoral Counsel
Special Called Meeting
Sunday, September 13, 2009

Present PC: Jane Wilson, Lorraine Baushke, Marti Billhartz, Brian Cambron, Christine Garske, Terry Hatler, Sally Liles, Donna Matukas, Ron Mills, Bob Scheidegger, Bobbie Shanahan and Marsha Wyzkowski. **Absent:** Anna Alexander, Wayne Carter, Dennis Meffert and Gabby Springs. **Staff:** Fr. Jerry Riney **Guests:** Jim Adams, Art Kunkel and John Knepler.

Chair, Jane Wilson called the meeting to order. Art Kunkel opened the meeting with a Prayer for the Future.

Art passed out folders containing information about the property of Owen Lawson 18.3 acre farm, which adjoins the Parkside property. Contained in the folder regarding the Lawson property was the following: an aerial photograph, a proposed plat showing Development Alternatives, Information Summary and Churchside-Parkside Annex paper timeline. The property has been placed on the market for sale and HS has been contacted about purchasing the property. The property is listed for \$400,000, but Art suggested an offer of \$375,000. With this additional property it would allow a second entrance road to be constructed to the Parkside property at 4754 Smallhouse Road. This would also protect the Parkside property from any undesirable development. Art reviewed an “Informational Summary” sheet regarding the purchase of the Lawson property and the costs of development of the property. A copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as EXHIBIT A.

Also enclosed in the folder was a survey prepared by Jim Adams, land surveyor, showing a proposed division of the property into 8 – one-acre lots, which could be sold in the future. This would leave 8.2 acres undeveloped for the use by the Church. Jim Adams reported that the survey had been presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission, and they said it looked good, but the big thing is the property would have to be rezoned. An aerial photograph of the Lawson property is attached as EXHIBIT B, and a proposed plat is attached as EXHIBIT C.

Art presented some slides showing the Owen Lawson farm, including the road, which would allow for a second entrance to Parkside. There is also a small farmhouse located on the property.

Fr. Jerry requested this information about the Owen Lawson property be kept confidential. He advised that he had presented the proposal to Sister Joseph Angela at the Diocesan Office and the proposal will also need to be presented to the Board of Consulters who are operating the Diocese of Owensboro until a new bishop is named. The first step is the approval from the Parish Pastoral Council our Holy Spirit Finance Committee. Fr. Jerry pointed out that one of his main concerns has been that we have only one entrance; this second entrance to the Parkside property would be just that, and the main entrance would remain where it is presently located.

Art reviewed a Churchside-Parkside Annex, which is a proposed paper timeline for the development of the Lawson property. A copy of which is attached hereto as EXHIBIT D.

John Knepler distributed an information sheet entitled "Parkside Housing Development", which contained information concerning the development of the existing unused 9-acre site at 4754 Smallhouse Road Parkside already owned by the Holy Spirit Church. A copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as EXHIBIT E.

Jane Wilson, chair, pointed out that a decision needed to be made purchasing the Lawson property by our parish Pastoral Council, and if approved, this proposal will then be presented to our Finance Committee.

Fr. Jerry informed the Council that Spirit II construction cost was expected to come in under budget by approximately \$400,000. So we would not have to allocate any new monies.

Jane stressed that this decision by the PC would have to be a consensus decision by those members present. It must be a decision that every one of us can support publicly. It also needs to be kept very confidential. Jane polled the Council and it was a unanimous consensus that the approximately 18 acres of land known as the Owen Lawson property be purchased at a proposed price of not more than \$375,000 and the beginning offer was to be \$325,000.

Fr. Jerry instructed Brian Cambron to contact Linda Keene, Chair of the Finance Committee, to arrange a meeting as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Liles