

Knights of Columbus Lansing Council #3540

General Meeting Minutes for Tuesday 06/04/24

Meeting called to order by Worthy Grand Knight William Benne at 8:00 PM.

Opening prayer & Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call (silent) of officers executed by the Recorder

Chaplain	Father Krolczyk	P	A	<u>EX</u>
	Deacon Jim	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Grand Knight	William Benne	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Deputy Grand Knight	Dominic Podsiadlik	P	A	<u>EX</u>
(Chancellor) Acting	Tom Lessner	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Deputy Grand Knight				
Financial Secretary	Pete Marx	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Treasurer	Dean Hope	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Recorder	Joe Sarwacinski	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Advocate	Mike Cipich	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Warden	Peter Tyderek	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Inside Guard	Greg Morris	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Outside Guard	Howard Morrison	<u>P</u>	A	EX
Outside Guard	Todd Burnley	<u>P</u>	A	EX
3 Year Trustee	Roger Tyderek	<u>P</u>	A	EX
2 Year Trustee	Chris J. Siatta	<u>P</u>	A	EX
1 Year Trustee	Michael Kabala	<u>P</u>	A	EX

Minute Approval – April mtg minutes, motion made to accept with the correction of the total amount raised for All Soul’s Parish, seconded, ALL in favor. May mtg minutes, motion made to accept as corrected, spaghetti dinner ticket price & responsibility for installation, seconded, ALL in favor.

Chaplain's Report – Deacon Jim, in 2 days we have the 80th anniversary of D-Day, the world change, the largest sea invasion in history. Estimated between 4,000-9,000 men were killed or injured. We as knights can work on people so they can become a little bit better in their lives and vote for people who are good for the world. That is our mandate from God to live in peace and harmony under God's law.

Grand Knight Report

– William Benne – welcome Jeff from the Hegewisch council.

Treasurer Report

-Dean Hope presented the Treasurer's Report as of 06/03/24. Motion made, seconded, and approved to accept the Treasurer Report as read. Motion made to move the proceeds from the spaghetti dinner to the Brother's In Need account, seconded, ALL in favor.

Financial Secretary Report

- Pete Marx presented the financial report. Motion made & seconded for all bills to be passed over to the trustees & if found in order to be paid. ALL in favor.

Membership Report

– Marty Liszewski: nothing to report

Charities Ambassador: Tom Cipich – The totals have been updated. Our council has met and/or exceeded all of the required amounts in every category. All of our assessments have been met except for Respect for Life – we owe .40

Program Reports

-Swim Team: Steve Robinette – Olympics will be held the 2nd week of June. Special thank you to Ralph, his daughter Karen is one of my head coaches and she is going down to the Olympics to help out for the three days. We have a lot of help, it is an exciting weekend.

-Church Director: Steve Robinette – no report

-Food Pantry: Steve Robinette- if you are available on Tuesdays from 11-1pm, come on out. It is located across the street from All Soul's Parish. We take the food that the people need and put it in their cars. It is a lot of fun.

-CARDINAL STRITCH ASSEMBLY #205 REPORT: Bob Layne-Stritch meeting will be June 5th at 7:30, election night. Lansing council 3540 will be hosting the election in the hall. All 4th degree knights are invited to come. Food & beverages will be provided.

- Columbian Club: Chris A. Siatta, Summer concerts are starting on June 15th. Little Giants from 2pm-10:00. It is a fundraiser for Paw's Sake charity. We have a list of all the concerts posted in the bar. The knights are providing food on concert nights. We need volunteers to cook and sell the food. Proceeds go back to the knights.

We also did some cold patching in the parking lot. We used 43 bags of hole patch and filled as many holes as we could. Special thank you to Marty and Jeff, Howard who donated the funds to cover the materials. Bingo on Wednesdays, Karaoke & Trivia on Fridays, and concerts on Saturdays. Come out and support.

- Annual Car Show: Jeff Rosinia the car show will be Sunday, Sept 8th after Labor Day. Starts at noon, needs donations for prizes. All participants receive a car care goody bag. If you are interested in helping, please let me know.

- Holiday Cheer: Peter Marx is moving along very well, and have received over \$2100 so far, thank you very much. That is the most we have ever received.

- Golf Outing: Chris Siatta, will be held on July 14th. Noon tee off at Lincoln Oaks, dinner will follow here at the restaurant. We are still in need of hole sponsors. Golfers are \$80 per person, hole sponsors are \$100 each.

Insurance Agent Report – will be available after the meeting to speak to anyone who would like information.

District Deputy Report – Matthew Martinez – housekeeping, form 185 for the chosen term of officers must be turned in by June 30, 2024. July 1st – June 30 is the fraternal year. The council will need to select a new charities ambassador as well as the Chaplain and Lecturer. Form 365 service personnel program report is due July 1, 2024 and Form 1295 semiannual audit (Jan 1 – June 30) is due August 15th. Form DIR1 is due Sept 1st and also can be done on the state website.

August 13, White Sox vs New York Yankees, a portion of the proceeds will go to the special Olympics there is a QR code for purchase, you can also see me about purchasing tickets.

Tootsie Roll Drive, Sept 13 - 15, 2024;

At the state convention Council 3540 was awarded a bronze council plaque and Worthy Grand Knight took a picture with the State Deputy. The Worthy Grand Knight also won star pins for state charitable donations of 3 Star Council, which means the council met 4 of the 5 goals for the programs of Illinois. Council is in the 11 month of the fraternal year and council quota is still for 10 persons to meet Star Council. Happy Father's Day to all the fathers.

Unfinished/Old Business

- Trustees have reviewed the bills and found them in order to be paid.
- Motion made and seconded to make a donation of \$10 down to the Illinois Council for the state charities to Pro Life, since we are .40 cents short of our goal, ALL were in favor.

Sick & Condolences – Tom Cipich

New Business - none

Meeting has been paused for the election

Election of Officers was conducted by District Deputy Matthew Martinez. All jewels were asked to be turned into the Financial Secretary. Article 2 Sections 1 – 5 of our councils By Laws. Article 3 Section 1: For any slated position a member of the council can run off the floor under the following 2 conditions: a candidate must be a 3rd Degree night and in good standing with this council. A candidate can not nominate themselves and nor can they second their own nomination.

For any slated position under Article 2 Section 2 if there are no other candidates, once asked 3 times and hearing no other candidates, a motion can be made to close the nominations for that position and that one unanimous vote be put forth for the slated name for that position. This motion can be seconded and after the question, the motion must pass. This “Usual Motion” can be made by signifying at the next slated position under the “Usual Motion”, seconded, under the question and passed as well. In the event we have more than one person running off the floor a secret paper vote must be conducted. Under Article 2 Section 3 District Deputy will choose 2 brother Knights of this council to serve to help count paper votes. A head count of all Brother Knights will be taken so we know how many paper votes will be expected to conduct this balloting. The highest vote for a slated position is deemed the winner for that paper vote. Specifically for the guards the highest vote received is deemed to be the Inside Guard and remaining candidates Outside Guards. When voting only write down the names in question for the vote. Ties will be handled by a second secret vote until a winner is determined. At the end of all paper voting District Deputy will entertain a motion, second, after the question and passed for the paper votes to be destroyed. Election will start with Grand Knight and move its way down to the Guards.

Grand Knight – motion made and seconded to put in one unanimous vote for Bill Benne as Grand Knight and close the nominations for Grand Knight, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Bill Benne.

Deputy Grand Knight – motion made and seconded to nominate Joe Sarwacinski as Deputy Grand Knight with a usual motion made to close the nominations and put in Joe Sarwacinski as Deputy Grand Knight, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Joe Sarwacinski.

Treasurer – motion made and seconded to nominate Dean Hope as Treasurer with a usual motion made to close the nominations and put in Dean Hope as Deputy Grand Knight, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Dean Hope.

Recorder – motion made and seconded to nominate Peter Tyderek as Recorder with a usual motion made to close the nominations and put in Peter Tyderek as Recorder, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Peter Tyderek.

Advocate – motion made and seconded to nominate Mike Cipich as Advocate with a usual motion made to close the nominations and put in Mike Cipich as Advocate, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Mike Cipich.

Chancellor – motion made and seconded to nominate Tom Lessner as Chancellor with a usual motion made to close the nominations and put in Tom Lessner as Chancellor, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Tom Lessner.

Warden – motion made and seconded to nominate Howard Morrison as Warden with a usual motion made to close the nominations and put in Howard Morrison as Warden, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Howard Morrison

Guards – Greg Morris, nominated and seconded, Rodney Simale nominated and seconded, Wilde Negrette nominated and seconded, no other nominations. A count is taken for total number of paper ballots to be handed out. A paper vote is conducted with highest number of

votes to determine the Inside Guard and other 2 lesser counts will be Outside Guards. Greg Morris received most votes. Congratulations Greg Morris as Inside Guard. The remaining nominees Rodney Simale and Wilde Negrette will be the two outer guards. Motion made and seconded to destroy secret paper ballots, ALL in favor. Destroy the ballots.

3 Year Trustee – District Deputy was not given a slate. A motion made and seconded to nominate Bob Layne as 3 Year Trustee, On the question: There was an attempt to nominate Mike Kabala as 3 Year Trustee but District Deputy stated that he was sliding down a slot to a vacancy from 2 to 1 and does not have to get voted and there is just a vacancy for 3 Year Trustee. District Deputy confirmed with Mike that this was correct.

Continued with the 3 Year Trustee nomination with a usual motion made to close the nominations and put in Bob Layne as 3 Year Trustee, on the question, all those in favor say I, no opposed. Congratulations Bob Layne.

Congratulations to all officers.

Installation of Officers on Thursday, June 20th here at the hall.

Meeting handed back over to the Grand Knight.

WGK William Benne – Congratulations to all the newly elected officers. Tom Cipich received a Star Pin for Charity Ambassador & Peter Tyderek received a Star Pin for Program Director.

The Lansing Journal wrote a very nice article on the Swim Team. It is displayed on the table for those who wish to read it.

Good of the Order

Closing Prayer- Deacon Jim

Meeting adjourned by Worthy Grand Knight William Benne at 9:05 PM