



**Knights of Columbus
Council #1221
Business Meeting Minutes
June 7th, 2022**



Call to Order

Tuesday June 7th, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Warden's Report on Membership Card

Bro. Dan Gully: All present are current members.

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer for was prayed by all.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Reading of and Approval Minutes of Previous Meeting

- The past meeting's minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. The minutes were read and accepted by all.

Chaplain's Message: Fr. Jeremy

- First reading today for mass was from 1st Kings: The brook near where Elijah was hiding ran dry, because no rain had fallen in the land. So the LORD said to Elijah: "Move on to Zarephath of Sidon and stay there. I have designated a widow there to provide for you." He left and went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the entrance of the city, a widow was gathering sticks there; he called out to her, "Please bring me a small cupful of water to drink." She left to get it, and he called out after her, "Please bring along a bit of bread." She answered, "As the LORD, your God, lives, I have nothing baked; there is only a handful of flour in my jar and a little oil in my jug. Just now I was collecting a couple of sticks, to go in and prepare something for myself and my son; when we have eaten it, we shall die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid. Go and do as you propose. But first make me a little cake and bring it to me. Then you can prepare something for yourself and your son. For the LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" She left and did as Elijah had said. She was able to eat for a year, and Elijah and her son as well; the jar of flour did not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, as the LORD had foretold through Elijah.'

Now as I was reading this, two things came mind. First off, Elijah starts by this brook and the brook eventually runs dry. The Lord has sent him to that brook, and there had a bird bringing him bread and the brook providing him water, but eventually it runs dry, so the Lord sends him on from there. God did not intend for him to stay by that brook forever, just for a time until another plan was put in line for him. He sends to

Zaraphath where the widow is. The widow provides his food and drink, and in return, the Lord provides them a year's worth of oil and flour, but it too ran dry. Once the drought had ended, and people were able to raise crops and eat again, the jar stopped. In both of those experiences, they receive God's grace for a while, but then it stops and they're called to move on to something else. As Catholic Christian men, we've seen it in the Church and in the Knights of Columbus, there's a certain staticness to our ministries (that's how we've always done it). Here, we're seeing Elijah working through God to say to do it this way for a while, but when it runs dry and is no longer providing the grace and goodness, it's time for you to move on from that. There's a place for us to do that in our ministries as well. Tonight, as we start talking about new leadership in the Knights, the old leadership has done a good job, they've provided grace to the council, but yet there's a time for us to move on and accept new responsibilities and roles as God calls us to those things. Elijah and the widow didn't stay there by the empty jar as the rains came, they moved on to new things. We have to be careful that we don't become static, but rather engage our with dynamic God that calls us to grow and mature each day in new ways. We receive the grace that God chooses to give to us, and when that runs dry, the Lord will nudge us to new places to receive his goodness in grace.

Grand Knight's Report: WGK Mike Carter

- Theology on Tap: If you've been to this program, you'll realize how valuable it is. Thursday is the last night in Lanesville. The keynote speaker is covering the Catholic family. Take your wife and kids and have dinner and a presentation.
 - The following Thursday (16th) and the Thursday (23rd) after are here at the council. We need your help. We have the biggest capacity and want to put on a good event. Please volunteer!
 - Doors open at 5, food at 6, talk at 7
- Star Council Award
 - Looking really good that we will get the award this year as we have completed all required tasks for the fraternal year. Thanks to Bros. Matt Lincoln and Mike Worden for their dedication
- Rob Davis – will be our new insurance agent. First time in a while that we've had an agent from our council
- Reservations/bookings for the Reising Ballroom have been going strong, and we're looking to further publicize it to bring in additional revenue
 - June looks good thus far with a few events on the books already
- We were approached by an individual and his wife last week about wanting to donate money to the council to help.
 - They've seen us in action and want to help however they can financially
 - We've provided a list of priority projects for consideration
- State is still looking for a new district deputy if anyone is interested
- Thanks to Dan Gulley for mounting the KofC and 4th Degree crests on the wall in the meeting room

Deputy Grand Knight's Report: DGK Ron Webber - Absent

- Planning meeting:
 - Investments that we've made are really bringing about attention to the hall

- Trustees approved roughly \$6k to upgrade our fire and alarm system, which is horribly outdated
- We've purchased 8 high-top tables and such to add table space for events and receptions

Treasurer's Report: Bro. John Kaiser

- At the end of March, the General Fund has \$82,723, the Gaming Fund is at \$15,442, and the CBC Fund has \$68,583.
 - *(For new members, CBC stands for The Columbia Building Corporation which is a separate entity from Knights of Columbus 1221. Each 1221 member is also a shareholder in the CBC)*
- All bills are paid as of right now.
- Mortgage has roughly \$12k remaining
- Need to stay cognizant of getting rentals in here to keep our revenue stream going.

Balloting for Membership: Bro. Matt Lincoln

- Up to 21 new Knights for the fraternal year
 - 1 new Knights recently
 - Have another member pending that we picked up from Theology on Tap
 - Total List for 2021/2022:
 - Kevin Kruer
 - John Habermil
 - Ben Arnson
 - Jack Arnson
 - Spencer Coe
 - Scott Hornung
 - Tyler Davis
 - Rob Davis
 - Gary Staashelm
 - Ernie Bermudez
 - Keith Bauman
 - Garrek Harris
 - John Stengle
 - Scott Sheppard
 - Ryan Hottois
 - Keith McGraw
 - Amil Kleinert
 - Ryan Wiggington
 - Phil Croeo
 - Merv Saldana

Financial Secretary's Report: Bro. Matt Lincoln

- Still have 100 members that haven't paid their dues for 2022
- Will be working to contact those that have not yet paid

New Business:

- Officers and Program Directors for the 2022-2023 fraternal year:
 - 2022-2023 Officers
 - Grand Knight – Tom Waters
 - Deputy Grand Knight – Ron Webber
 - Chancellor – Greg Brodfehrer
 - Recorder – Dustin Jones
 - Treasurer – John Kaiser
 - Advocate – Greg Reger
 - Warden – Dan Gulley
 - Inside Guard – Jared Hallal
 - Outside Guard – Eric Hunter
 - 1st Year Trustee – Mike Carter
 - 2nd Year Trustee – Mike Albers
 - 3rd Year Trustee – Steve Byerley
 - Program Directors
 - Program Director – Mike Worden
 - Faith Director – Ben Wissel
 - Vocation Director – Greg Brodfehrer
 - Community Director – Kevin Kruer
 - Life Director – Keith Byerley
 - Health and Service Director – Ron Webber
 - Public Relations – Chris Gahagen
 - Family Director – Rob Davis
 - Recruitment Committee – Steve Byerley, Dustin Jones, Larry Abell
 - Retention Chair – Ron Webber
 - Insurance Promotion – Mike Worden
 - CBC Trustees – David Hock, Dan Gulley, John Blocker
 - Communications Chairperson – Jared Hallal
 - Gibault Chairperson – Greg Brodfehrer

Report of Service Program Committees:

- **Program Director: Mike Worden**
 - Looking really good for Star Council Award
 - Other councils are struggling to grow, but we consistently have seen growth in recent years
 - Have a new state deputy that takes office in July: Scott Schute
 - Emphasizing that we are a family fraternal organization, with the emphasis on family
 - Need to include our families as much as possible
- **Community Director: Bro. Mike Campbell**
 - No report this week
- **Family Director: Bro. Chris Gahagen –**
 - No report this week
- **Culture of Life Director: Bro. Keith Byerley**
 - No report this week
- **Vocation Director: Bro. Mike Worden**
 - No report this week

- **Faith Director: Ben Wissel**
 - Thanks to all that came to the Silver Rose ceremony
 - It went very well and looking forward to doing it again
 - At Mt. St. Francis, there is a Hispanic Men's group currently building an Our Lady of Guadalupe shrine
 - Looking to bring them in to see if we can help them out somehow

Advocates Report: Bro. Greg Reger -

- *Acts as parliamentarian for the council*
- *Should have a working knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order, Charter, Constitution & Laws, Council by-laws and Method of Conducting Council Meetings*
- *When needed, will seek legal assistance from the state advocate*

Report of the Fourth Degree:

- Exemplification
 - Looking to have a live exemplification on August 6th at Nativity Council on the South side of Indianapolis

Report of Round Table Chairman

- None

Insurance Field Agent Report

- Rob Davis – Not present this week

District Deputy Report

- *District Deputy –*
- district35@indianakofc.org

Good of the Order

- Prayers for all men going into the priesthood and going through ordination
- Prayers for the Frieberger family
- Prayers for family members of Bro. Ralph recovering from health issues
- Prayers for Bro. Charlie's brother continuing through pancreatic cancer treatments
- Prayers for a classmate of WGK Carter and Bro. Chuck going through various surgeries
- Thanks to WGK Mike Carter for his leadership and devotion over the past 2 years

Closing Prayer

- The prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney was said by all.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Submitted by: Recorder, Dustin Jones, June 7th, 2022

Attested to by: WGK, Mike Carter, June 7th, 2022