Dormition Parish Council Meeting 10/30/16

Present: Justin Griffing, Sotos Papaseraphim, Angelike Contis, Jacqueline Maria, Eleni Churchill, Nancy Pappas-Trombley, Nectar Rorris, Steve Yialiades, Fr. Andreas M. Papayiannis

Meeting starts at 12.08

**BUDGET 2017** (Justin) – Presents 2017 Expenses Budget, with 32.39% increase over 2016 Budget higher largely due to priest salary tax and family health insurance added this year.

Justin reviews which accounts up/down. Utilities up, as phone and internet and fax now included in utilities/rubbish/insurance (expected to be $6,586 higher than in 2016).

Discussion of amounts budgeted for different committees, possible decreased mailings costs (as switch to email) and need for 2017 Income Budget.

Steve discusses stewardship, noting we did not reach goal of 100 stewards, but half of that. Discussion of pledged vs. unpledged stewards, strategies and pattern of giving; unpledged stewards gave more than in past this year. Some 33 of 76 pledged have paid so far this year.

Eleni suggests bringing down building and grounds budgeted to $3,000. Discussion of lowering proposed contingency from $5,000 and discussion of hall emergency/maintenance.

*Eleni makes motion to lower contingency amount in proposed budget to 2,000. Angelike seconds. 4 yes, 2 no, 3 abstentions. Passes.*


A 2017 Proposed Income Budget will be drafted this week by Angelike, working with Vasilios Contis, which will be sent to board before presenting with Expenses to General Assembly. Justin proposes using an anticipated stewardship income number coming from 76 stewards each paying $35/week. Sotos notes need to look at last 2-3 years.

*Motion to adjourn Eleni. Nancy.*

Meeting adjourns at 12.50