

## **Knights of Columbus Meeting Minutes**

**Council Name:** Bishop Edward C. O’Leary Council #13181

**Date:** December 2, 2024

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Sabattus, ME

**Attendees:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Call to Order:** Time: \_\_\_\_\_

### **2. Roll Call:**

Present: Robert Michaud – GK, James Daigle – DGK, Dan Bouffard – FS, Brian Labrecque – Treasurer, Dave Devoe – Ch, Bob Durgin – Tr3

Excused: Fr. Elaiyaraja Thaniyel – Chaplain, Rick Jensen - Recorder

Absent: Xavier Michaud – ADV, Alexandre Michaud – Lec., Don Champagne – WAR, Mike Bolduc – IG, Marc Gosselin – OG, Ron Tolini – Tr1, Nicolas Michaud - Tr2

**3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Date of Previous Meeting: November 4, 2024

Minutes Approved/Amended: Approved

### **4. Officer Reports:**

*Grand Knight:* Thanks to all who helped with the Bean Supper, Thanksgiving Dinner and setting up / tearing down for the Christmas Craft Fair. Lots of positive comments on all events. Looking ahead we will need to begin planning for the December Bean Supper, coffee & donuts, and there will be a baptism this coming Sunday at Our Lady of the Rosary – the Rinko family. GK will need someone to welcome the new member to the community as I will not be able to attend that day due to travel commitments. Also, please pray for the repose of the soul of Pauline Bourgoin, wife of deceased Knight, Joe Bourgoin, who recently passed away. Her wake will be on Thursday from 4 – 7 at the Pinette Funeral Home, and the funeral will be Friday at 11 AM at Our Lady of the Rosary.

*Financial Secretary Report:* Received a cash donation of \$25 for our Bean Suppers, to be put into the till for the upcoming Bean Supper. Read letter from SD Michael Giroux notifying us that the merger of the Sabattus and Lisbon Falls Councils has been approved and is now official. A donation check from Council 15791 – Falmouth for \$150 for the Devoe family was received and deposited by Bob Michaud.

Bills received: \$73 for stamps from Bob Michaud, \$77.30 for place mats from Dan Bouffard, and \$51.77 for a replacement microphone wire for the priest’s lapel microphone from Bob Michaud. Also, a check will be issued to Dave Devoe in the amount of \$150 from the fire reimbursement donation from Council 15791 noted above. All bills were approved for payment.

*Treasurer’s Report:*

Account balances as of the end of November:

Scholarship - \$2,126.56

Checking - \$16,486.99

One outstanding check for \$247.38 for the Coats for Kids has just cleared but is not reflected in the checking account figure above.

*Service (Life Committee) Report:* Rick Jensen forwarded a review of the movie “Conclave” by Bishop Barron. This is a very negative movie that casts the entire process of choosing a Pope and our Catholic faith in a bad and unrealistic light. He recommends avoiding the movie.

*Membership Report:* FS Dan Bouffard is sending out per-capita invoices to all Knights including all the Knights formerly of the Lisbon Falls Council (with the exception of the Honorary Life members). Our Council now has a total of 63 members, including 29 new members from Lisbon Falls. Of those new members, 16 are “Honorary Life” members.

## **5. Committee Reports:**

Membership Committee: NR

Family Life Committee: NR

Religious Education Committee: NR

## **6. Special Orders:** None

## **7. New Business:**

Bean Supper: Jim to move remaining materials from the Maxwell-Gill Hall to the church basement on Thursday and will begin bean preparation and cole slaw on Friday. We have 6 pies left over, so we won't need as many desserts for this month's supper, but will still need casseroles. Also, we have a dozen or so rolls on hand, but will still need to order – 3 – 4 dozen more. Dan Bouffard noted that December is typically a low attendance month for us, so we might want to not make quite as many beans.

Coffee & Donuts – only on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> (typically the Chasse's do this, but Connie is still out sick, so we will pick it up). No Coffee & Donuts later in the month due to the Christmas Holiday. Bob to confirm this with Linda Adkins.

Looking further ahead, the next big events will be the St. Patrick's Dinner on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Jim noted that we will need to find a new supplier for the corned beef as his brother has retired from CM. Bob to check with contacts at HF and HC.

Also, for the Parish Mission Week, the K of C District 10 will be hosting the light meal on Monday, March 24. More details to follow on this.

**8. Announcements:** Council to purchase 2 cash calendars to support the Maine State Council. Next Monthly Rosary to be Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at Holy Family. Light Up For Christ – Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM at both Holy Family and the Basilica.

**9. Adjournment:** Time: 7:30 PM

**Next Meeting:** Date: January 6, 2024 Time: 6:30 PM, Our Lady of the Rosary

**Prepared by:** R. Michaud - GK