

St Molua Minutes of July 08, 2024 In Person Business Meeting

Roll Call of Officers

Grand Knight	Chris Simon	P	Recorder	PGK Keith Lisak	P
Chaplain	Rev. Paul	E	Inside Guard	Richard Blackman	P
Deputy Grand Knight / Lecturer	Walt Lutman	P	Outside Guard	PGK Charles Lowe	P
Chancellor	Freddy Jalot	P	Worthy 1 Yr. Trustee	PGK Timothy Morris	P
Treasurer	Mike Rennie	E	Worthy 2 Yr. Trustee	PGK Greg Washburn	P
Financial Secretary	PGK Jack Fowler	P	Worthy 3 Yr. Trustee	PGK Rob Donati	P
Advocate	Dr. Anthony Policastro	E	Warden	PGK Robert Gay	P

Members Present: Officers [11] for a total of [11].

Call to Order / Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance: @ 0730 PM. The Grand Knight opened the meeting with a prayer [Our Father] and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of the Minutes: The minutes from the June meeting were not read as they are on the council's website. GK asked if there were any corrections. With none being brought up a motion was made by PGK Greg Washburn to suspend the reading of the minutes, it was seconded by PGK Rob Donati. The motion was approved by all in attendance.

Chaplain's Message: Fr Paul was not present.

Grand Knight's Report:

- GK Chris read to the council a thank you note from the St Vincent DePaul Society for the donation the council made. He also read to the council thank you note from the Carson Cooper for his graduation gift in memory of his grandfather PGK Joe Lynch.
- GK Simon also indicated that the installation of Officers will be held at the August Business Meeting 8-12-2024. Attire will be Business Casual. ***Note the time of the installation is at 7 PM vice 7:30 PM.***

Financial Report: Worthy Treasurer:

- Worthy Treasurer Mike Rennie was not present but provided the council balances via email.

Membership Report: Worthy Membership Director: Worthy DGK Walter Lutman had nothing to report.

Program reports:

- **Worthy Insurance:** The Worthy Insurance Agent was not present and reported nothing via email.
- **Worthy DD:** DD John McCartney was not present. DD remarks via email:
 - I'm unable to attend your council business meeting.
 - Officer Installation will be scheduled by the GK.
- **R2Life:** Deacon Nick Donofrio indicated that the Knights presence continues to be needed every Monday morning at the Mears Building to bring attention to the abortions taking place inside.
- **Family/ Knight of the Month:** PGK Greg was present but had no candidates for family of the month. Anyone can submit a candidate for family of the month. Contact PGK Greg Washburn.
- **Vocation:** As Fr Paul was not present there was nothing to report.
- **Community:** PGK Rob Donati had nothing to report at this time.

- **Worthy 4th Degree representative:** Worthy Faithful Navigator Dr Anthony was not present but provided the following Fourth Degree Summary via email:
 1. Faithful Navigator Dr Anthony wants to thank everyone for all the support that he has received from the councils over the last two years.
 2. Paul Dombrowski has been elected as the new Faithful Navigator. Installation will be at the July Business Meeting.
 3. Thanks to everyone who supported the May annual dinner dance. It was extremely successful this year with 117 attendees.
- **Retention PGK Tim Morris:** PGK Tim was present and had nothing new to report.
- **Faith: Brother Freddy Jalot:** Brother Freddy informed the council that he will get the St Joseph Icon between the 9th and the 22nd of July. He feels we can have the prayer service on the 22th of July at our social meeting in the hall on the 22nd of July 2024 @ 7:30 PM. Please arrive a little early to help set up.
- **Widows Report:** PGK Lisak stated that the July monthly Widows Wellness cards will go out July the 9th. The council has two requests for help. Dottie Griisser, widow of deceased PGK Mike Griisser, has a request for someone to go through Mike's garage items and dispose of them properly. Widow Barbara Costa also has a request for a dump run and some yard work. The council now has 13 widows. The council lost Wilma Fritzner, wife of Robert Fritzner. She passed away June 15, 2024. The council has a new widow to support, Amelia Zamberlan, wife of Paul Zamberlan. There are only four POC. Anyone interested in becoming a Point of Contact (POC), contact PGK Lisak.
- **Report of the Trustees:** Trustees reported that the semi-annual audit is complete and is awaiting signatures.

Unfinished Business:

- PGK Lisak informed the council that the State Fund Raising Raffle tickets are still available. Tickets are \$ 10 each. 5 winners will each receive a \$ 200 gift certificate to Sight and Sound and a \$100 Visa Card. The Prize will be drawn at the Annual State Picnic on September the 8th 2024. Winner need not be present to win. Contact PGK Lisak for tickets.
- PGK Lisak presented a graduation gift from the council to Carson Cooper in memory of his grandfather PGK Joe Lynch at the council's social meeting on the 24th of June 2024. Carson and the Knights present at the presentation can be seen on the website.

New Business:

- GK asked if there were any unbudgeted bills that need to be approved. None were brought up.
- PGK Lisak brought up KCIC and Coats for Kids program. Tabled and will be discussed at a future business meeting.
- PGK Lisak made a motion to donate \$ 50 to the St Polycarp Squire Circle. It was seconded by PGK Donati. After a brief discussion the motion was approved. Check will go out for next Fraternal Year.

Good of the Order:

- The Good of the Order was presented by Brother Walter Lutman.
 - Saint Molua the Saint that this council is named after. St Molua, also known as Luanus or Lua, was an Irish monk who lived in the 6th century.
 - He is venerated as a saint in both the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches.

- St Molua is known for his piety, humility and dedication to serving others. He founded several monastic communities in Ireland and is considered a patron saint of learning and studies.
 - St Molua trained in the monastery at Bangor, County Down (about 12 miles from Belfast)
 - The saint's real name was originally Lughaidh (pronounced Lua). However, the churches that he built were so popular and became such centers of worship and friendliness that people began to refer to the saint as "my Lua". The Irish word for my is "mo" and so the saint became widely known as Molua. Incidentally, in pronouncing the name the emphasis is on the second syllable rather than the first: Mo-lua. Feast day is August 4.
- Brother Richard Blackman was present. The 8th of July 50/50 Raffle winner was GK Chris Simon. The 8th of July Pot of Gold winner was Jose Santos. As Jose was not present no Pot of Gold winning were awarded.

Closing Prayer:

- Before proceeding to the closing prayer, those in attendance added members to the prayer list.
- Prayer list currently includes:

- Chuck Burton
- John & Jo Ann Battista
- Louise Gay
- Paul Zamberlan [RIP]
- PGK John De Carlo
- Mary Ritz
- Hadley Seguin, Niece of GK Chris Simon
- Fr Greg Serwa
- Karen Vassallo, Step daughter of Brother Richard Blackman
- Wilma Fitzner, wife of Robert Fitzner [RIP]
- Nancy Rennie, Wife of Brother Mike Rennie
- Jeri Adams, Sister-in Law of Brother Mike Rennie
- Marie Fowler, Mother of PGK Jack Fowler,
- Marie Donofrio, wife of Deacon Nick Donofrio
- Kevin Lisak (Twin brother of PGK Keith Lisak, on dialysis due to kidney failure).
- Debra Kieszowski [Cousin of PGK Keith Lisak, Fighting lung cancer]

- GK lead the group in the closing prayer [MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS] as the council prayed for the sick and distressed and closed the meeting.
- The meeting was closed at 8:02 PM.

As of this time, the next meeting will be the Council's Social meeting will be in the parish hall on Monday, July 22, 2024 at 7:30 PM. It will also be the St Joseph ICON prayer service.