K of C meeting from 10/05/2025 which began at 7:08 pm. Grand knight Tom Root began meeting with a prayer and pledge of allegiance.

Tom root thanked Jim Welborne and Steven Lyons for getting the minutes together and online.

Tom also thanked Bruce Garwood with getting the baby bottle campaign going.

Starting this Friday and Saturday the tootsie roll drive begins. Al Tokoly still had openings to fill for volunteers. Tom also stated during the business meeting he would like to move the tootsie roll drive to the spring of 2026. He thought the last weekend in April 2026.

Boo at the zoo is coming up 10/18/25, volunteers needed in the morning and afternoon to pass out tootsie rolls.

Then 10/24/25 is trunk and treat, which will be in the parking lot behind the church. Volunteers will be needed for parking control and to help cook hot dogs, pass out tootsie rolls and soda pop. Brother knight Bill will be doing the movie again. All volunteers should meet at 4:00 pm. We also will need to get more hot dogs this year, as we ran out early last year.

In November, we will do donuts 1st weekend and 2nd weekend is a membership drive at the St. Mary's campus.

In December the Christmas party is coming up, details will come later.

Also, we should start thinking about the fish frys coming up next year.

Tom root discussed possibly having a fund raiser at Notre Dame parish to show them we are thinking of them too.

The treasurer's report - by Jim Welborne: beginning balance: 19,249.31

income from mum sale, tootsie roll drive, interest: 2771.59

expenses: 647,98

allocated unspent funds: missionaries of St. Francis de Sales: 250.00

and regional meeting expenses: 750.00

final ending balance: 20,372.92

Financial secretary's report: we have 3 new members. We also have 6 or 7 members who have not paid their dues.

John Wolsiefer - program director reported that all required reports have been submitted.

Al Tokoly reported that we sold 270 mum plants and returned 30 unsold plants. Al thanked everybody who volunteered. We cleared 1272.93 which will go to the QAS capital campaign.

Bruce Garwood stated we passed out almost 400 baby bottles and this coming weekend, we will pass out the other 100 baby bottles.

Tom root suggested we need new K of C aprons and shirts.

The 4th degree dinner is next Tuesday -oct 14th at LaPorte council 1542 hall on Lincolnway. The cost is 18.00 and it starts at 6:00 pm .

Bruce Garwood stated there is a blood drive coming up 10/18/25 at the QAS legacy center and also Walgreens will be there giving out flu and covid shots.

Tom root stated we received a letter from Gibault regarding their day after Christmas party at their Campagna campus. They are asking for a donation. A motion was entered to donate 250.00,a second was received, all said aye, motion carried.

New business: al Tokoly talked about the date for the Christmas party = 12/06/25 and the salvation army bell ringing which will be 12/13/25, at Walmart, from 10 am to 6:00 pm, 2 hr. shifts.

All also stated that the numbers are increasing at the food pantry and last month they served 54 families.

For the good of the order: Dave and Kim Bays, Dwayne and Debbie hogan, Bob Kish's wife who recently passed, Joe Hennessy who recently passed who was a past state officer, for Jim Welborne, John Wendel, Bob Pollack, Rick Pelis's granddaughter, Joe Haro's wife, Paul Aguino's wife, Stephanie Sobieski's father who is now in a nursing home.

Meeting ended with a Hail Mary, Our Father, and Glory B.