

Jefferson County Republican Executive Committee

Minutes of Meeting

August 16, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Colin Barton. Roll Call was taken. A quorum was not achieved. (Quorum was reached at 7:30 p.m.)

Invocation was given by Tom Love and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Curt Kiser.

A phone call is scheduled with State Chairman Blaise Ingoglia at 7:30 p.m.

Treasurer's Report- Jane Vollertsen reported on finances through July 31, 2016:

- \$11,491.63 Checking Account (Includes \$7,000 Rural Funds)
- \$1,073.28 Savings Account
- Collections of \$1,201.91 through July 31, 2016 including
 - \$848 Meals
 - \$150 Socials
 - \$48.91 Donations
 - \$255.00 Scholarship Fund (Separately Funded)

A motion was made by Beverly Sutphin and seconded by Susan Rissman to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

Pastor Hanks Scholarship Fund. Jane Vollertsen reported that one scholarship was awarded. The other young man did not respond to repeated phone calls so that scholarship was not awarded. Susan Rissman will make a recommendation at the next meeting on how to deal with the fund.

Special Guests:

- Gary Fulford – Tri-County Electric, District 6. Running for election as Chairman. If you are in Tri-County Distirct please consider attending the District 6 Meeting on Sept. 17, 2016 in Madison at the Auditorium on NFCC Campus.
- Bill Burger – Former Precinct Committeeman from District 1. Is on the ballot to return as the District 1 Committeeman. He is looking forward to being involved again. He is interested in providing Roberts Rules of Order.
- Milly Christian – Local business owner – Antiques, Etc.

- **Dennis – Dennis’ Trading Post – A Republican volunteer for Donald Trump**

Other guests introduced themselves.

Old Business:

- **Candidate Meet and Greet – Colin Barton thanked Beverly Sutphin, Roberto Arbulu and others who helped with the event. It was very successful.**
- **Watermelon Festival – Colin Barton thanked Steve Rissman for heading this up this year.**

New Business:

- **Primary Election – August 30, 2016. We are reminded that we have several Republican Candidates running: Early voting is currently going on. Volunteers are needed to wave signs, etc.**
 - **County Commission District 1 – Colin Barton, Steven Fulford, Jonathan Register**
 - **County Commission District 3 – Jerry Sutphin, JT Surles**
 - **School Superintendent – Al Cooksey, Marianne Arbulu**

General Election – Curt Kiser spoke about the requirements that were sent out by the RPOF regarding support for Federal Candidates and the requirements to register. It is doubtful that our participation will rise to the level where registration is required.

Game Changer Updates: Susan Rissman reported that she has community members who are against the project. Jerry Sutphin reported that at tonight’s Commission Meeting the Game Changer was not on the agenda but a citizen asked the Board if they would honor the citizens wishes after the results of the referendum. The answer was, “We will wait and see.” Tom Love feels this has opened people’s eyes to the Economic Development Council and what their expenses go for. Look for changes in the future. Curt Kiser suggested that supporters probably have a Plan B ready.

School Board Liaison – Position Open. Al Cooksey reported on the DOE interventions with the Financial Recovery Plan and the Turn Around Plan. Three people from outside the district will be coming in to review the books. The District has no money to hire the required Turn Around consultant. Marianne Arbulu made a few remarks in response.

City Council – Position Open

County Commission – Jerry Sutphin

Next Meeting is September 20, 2016 with Executive Officer planning meeting on September 13 at the Jefferson Art Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Kiser, Secretary

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