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Building for the Future

2023-2024 Officers

Chair – Matt Murray

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Secretary – Lisa Coughlin

Treasurer – Judy Emmons

17 August 2023

The meeting of the Montcalm County Republicans was called to order by Chair Matt Murray 7:07 PM at Sidney Township Hall, Sidney, Michigan.

Invocation by Steve Tugan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by sign in sheet:

Michelle Jorgensen	Glenda Neuenschwander	Annette Mitchell
Shayne Becher	Dave Boyer	Kim Becher
Sue De Vries	Steve Tanner	Steve Tugan
Fern Jessop	Kim Croy	Val Gates
Joe Rykse	Lisa Coughlin	Ann Marie Wubbeling
Kim Kuhn	Stephanie Rectenwal	Sharon Davis
Judy Emmons	Matt Murray	Rhonda Bishop
Ryan Flowers	Dawn Sweet	Lianne Briggs
Herb Suttan	Bonnie Suttan	Coleen Stevens

Motion by Rhonda Bishop to approve the July 20, 2023, meeting minutes as presented, Stephanie Rectenwal seconded. Motion passed.

Motion by Stephanie Rectenwal to accept the agenda, Steve Tanner seconded. Motion passed.

REPORT FROM OFFICERS:

Treasurer - Judy Emmons - \$7,303.87 is the current account balance. \$916.83 in the administrative account.

Spend on Danish Days:

\$130.00 booth in the park
\$235.00 table and chairs
\$125.00 vehicle in parade
\$125.00 float in parade
\$50.00 flyers
\$100.00 dunk tank
\$330.00 Meat

Bought 86 tee-shirts to sell - \$1,350.00.

VP – Stephanie Rectenwal – gave an update on State Committee. When D2 committee met, resolutions were drawn that will be proposed at the next State Committee meeting.

President – Matt Murray – Communicated the need to stay united as a party and behind our elected officials.

Secretary – N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bylaws, Budget, and Finance - No report this month.

Membership and Recruitment/Training and Education – Michelle Jorgensen spoke. In contact with a member of the Black Robe Regiment in Rockford. Michelle and Kim Becher are speaking with a leader in the origination to see if we can get them speaking in the area for local churches.

Social Media and PR – Ryan Flowers spoke. Working on the new website. Funding was previously approved. The PR committee will be working on ways to submit admissions for articles, and events in the County and District.

Fundraising and Events – Sharon Davis spoke. Smoke the Woke will be held at Magnum Sports, August 19th, 2023, from Noon – 4:00pm. Lunch will start at noon, still looking for people to serve. GOP float is C13, Matt will bring the trailer. The BBQ is a fundraising meal with various competitive and old-fashioned fun games. Sept 2 - Trufant Parade
Sept 16 - Howard City Parade at 1:00 Edmore Parade at 3:00 – people are needed to walk in both.
The next event will be a Christmas Party – more details to follow.

Old Business: No old business

New Business:

Booth locations for Danish Days is the North part of Veterans Park – White Tent Spot 64.

Kim Croy is going to resign from the Executive Committee, she has moved to Kent County and is giving notification at this meeting. Stephanie Rectenwal made a motion to accept Kim’s recognition, Michelle Jorgensen seconded the motion – Motion Passed.

Steve Tanner made a motion to fill the position with any precinct delegate, Stephanie Rectenwal seconded the motion – Motion Passed

Michelle Jorgensen nominated Sharon Davis to fill the position on the executive committee, Stephanie Rectenwal seconded the nomination. Sharon indicated she is interested in the position.

No other nominations came forward.

Stephanie Rectenwal made a motion to close the nominations, Rhonda Bishop second the motion – Motion Passed

Stephanie Rectenwal made a motion to unanimously vote for Sharon Davis to the Executive Committee, Steve Tanner seconded the motion. A unanimous vote passed for Sharon Davis.

Conversation was had on voting in Montcalm County. The Committee agreed to continued conversation on integrity of voting. Rhonda Bishop put out information on Telegram and Truth Social – you can go on and sign up to find out specific information on Michigan elections.

Stephanie Rectenwal will be holding talks explaining Tactical Civics at 6:30pm on the third Wednesday of the month at Magnum Sports in Greenville.

UPDATE FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS: N/A

Motion to adjourn by Judy Emmons, seconded by Annette Mitchell - Motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Coughlin, Secretary