



# MONTCALM COUNTY REPUBLICANS

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2023-2024 Officers

Chair – Matt Murray

Vice Chair – Stephanie  
Rectenwal

Secretary – Lisa Coughlin

Treasurer – Judy Emmons

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## 2 March 2023

The meeting of the Montcalm County Republicans was called to order by Chair Matt Murray at 7:03 P.M. at Trinity Church, Stanton, Michigan. Invocation by Steve Tugan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by sign in sheets:

Matt Murray	Stephanie Rectenwal	Judy Emmons
Lisa Coughlin	Rhonda Bishop	Steve Tanner
Sheila Eldridge	Ryan Flowers	Cindy Palmreuter
Mike Williams	Richelle Lentz	Maxine (Mary) Nauta
JoAnne Vukin	Bonnie Suttan	J. Scott Vukin
Herb Suttan	Bill Vantil	Pat Outman
Rick Outman	Bill Jaglowski	Denise Jaglowski
Coleen Stevens	Sharon Davis	Annette Mitchell
Amy McCall	Shayne Becher	Kim Becher
Kodeen Sowers	Valerie Gates	Sue Devries
Jerry Fennell	Steve Tugan	Cindy Petrie
Joe Rykse	Lianne Briggs	Ann Marie Wubbeling
Michelle Jorgensen		

**Minutes:** Motion by Richelle Lentz with a second by Rhonda Bishop to approve the January 26, 2023 County Convention and regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Motion by Maxine (Mary) Nauta with a second by Steve Tanner to approve the meeting agenda. Motion passed.

### **REPORT FROM OFFICERS:**

Chair: Matt Murray - Thanks to all that attended State Convention.

Vice Chair: Stephanie Rectenwal - First district meeting on Saturday, March, 4<sup>th</sup>. Change in County Commissioner meeting time – everyone should attend as possible. Stephanie to put forth Sanctuary County proposal as an agenda item for Commissioners meeting.

Secretary: No report

Treasurer: Has received \$340.00 in dues. Annual dues are currently due. \$5029.78 is the current account balance, \$916.24 in the administrative account.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Old Business:** Administrative and Bi-Laws committee has begun their review of the current Montcalm County GOP Bi-Laws. They have verified there are 19 delegates-at-large. They will be changing the name of the Committee to be By-Laws, Budget & Finance to be more consistent with current By-Laws.

Outreach and Youth did not connect – extending their report to next meeting.

## **New Business:**

### **Formations of new Committees.**

Motion by Stephanie Rectenwal, seconded by Rhonda Bishop to change the name of Recruitment and Education to Training and Education, Recruitment is now combined with Membership - Passed.

### **Training and Education members:**

Kim Becher  
Kim Croy  
Michelle Jorgensen  
Jerry Fennell  
Stephanie Rectenwal

### **Membership and Recruitment members:**

Kim Croy  
Michelle Jorgensen  
Jerry Fennell  
Cindy Palmreuter  
Bonnie Suttan

### **Fundraising and Events members:**

Lianne Briggs  
Lisa Coughlin  
Sharon Davis  
Annette Mitchell  
Coleen Stevens

### **Social Media and PR**

Caitlyn Flowers  
Ryan Flowers  
Linda Huckins  
Richelle Lintz  
Stephanie Rectenwal

Some of these committees are new to current by-laws.

Denise Jaglowski thanked everyone that participated and helped Rylee Linting's successful campaign.

## **UPDATE FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

Pat Outman gave an update of what is happening in the Michigan House

- Ford Economic Deal – Huge price to fund a EV battery plant in Marshall. Ford is partnering with a Chinese company to open/run the plant.
- Gun restricting – going through Judiciary. GOP trying to push back with reasonable amendments.
- Motion passed that repealed the 1931 abortion ban in Michigan – GOP offered reasonable amendments that were voted down.
- Expansion to the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights legislation.

Rick Outman gave an update on what is happening in the Michigan Senate.

- Delay in the Pension Bill
- Not currently using committees to discuss the proposed changes in legislation.
- Income tax roll back, baked into revenue.

Motion to adjourn by Stephanie Rectenwal, seconded by Maxine (Mary) Nauta - Passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Coughlin – Secretary