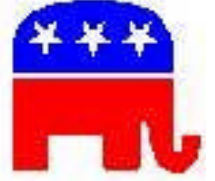


Brookfield Republican Town Committee



Minutes of REGULAR MEETING:

November 18, 2008

7:30 PM

Brookfield Town Hall Curriculum Room

Minutes

Members in Attendance: Dick Blessey, Martha Burr, Pat Donohue, Ken Dunaj, Marty Flynn, Jerry Friedrich, Craig Froehlich, Rich Miller, Steve O'Reilly, Stanley Parker, Belinda Samuel, Larry Samuel, Jim Sullivan, Bill Tinsley, and Jim Vulcano.

Absent: Bob Belden, Jim Clayton, Alex DeLucia, Matt Grimes, George Hope, Kevin McCaffrey, Larry Miller, Steve Villodas, George Walker and Greg Woods.

Guests from the Public: Ernie Nepomuceno

Approval of minutes of Previous meeting:

Moved by Jerry Friedrich **Seconded** by Larry Samuel **Vote:** Unanimous approval

Chairman's Comments: We did well for the election. Created momentum in the committee and ended positively. We were the third best RED town in Connecticut.

Treasurer's Report: Discussion concerning expenditures for David Scribner's ads in the News Times. Also a donation to David Cappiello towards the end of his campaign.

Acceptance of the Treasurers Report:

Moved by Martha Burr **Seconded** by Steve O'Reilly **Vote:** Unanimous approval

Review Election: Bob Belden submitted a Report on Election Process and it is on file with the Correspondence Secretary Jerry Friedrich. We discussed the advantages and disadvantages of not having the election night gathering at Election Headquarters. We also discussed the importance of having ongoing coverage of the election as the information is making the news. We all agreed that election night has to be thought out well beforehand taking into consideration location, media capacity, phoning capacity, and to recruit the volunteers to staff and phone well in advance.

If anyone has any thoughts about what went well and what didn't, please contact Bob Belden. He is compiling a recap including recommendations for next election.

Committee Reports:

Vacancy: *Marty Flynn* – presented the candidate for position.

Motion to accept David Frankel, Planning Commission Alternate.

Moved by Craig Froehlich ***Seconded*** by Stanley Parker ***Vote*** by Unanimous approval

Finance: Finance meeting Wednesday and Thursday nights to craft budget.

New Business:

Board of Ethics Discussion- *Jim Sullivan*

There are several issues that affect those on Boards and Commissions in Town:

Gift Giving in town is \$15 per person per event. Also businesses in town cannot target town employees for a discount. The discount has to be offered to the public.

Bidding Process in town- being investigated as a proactive measure. The town seems to have no formal bidding process and a request has been submitted to the Board of Selectman to address this concern at their next meeting. The Board of Education has tightened up their bidding process due to their new business manager.

Gate Receipts and soda machine money- The soda machines are not rented by the school system but by the Booster Club or other organizations. The money received from the machines and from gate receipts are used to fund sports programs and other programs in the activities budget. The goal is to follow BOE policy in collection and accounting for monies. The new Town of Brookfield School System Financial Manager is fastidious in keeping records.

Motion to adjourn: Stanley Parker ***Second:*** Steve O'Reilly ***Vote:*** Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,
Belinda Samuel
Recording Secretary