

Maricopa County Libertarian Party – Minutes of June 9, 2021 Meeting

The Maricopa County Libertarian Party met via Zoom on Wednesday evening, June 9, 2021. Fourteen individuals were present. All officers were present.

I. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda

The meeting was called to Order at 7:05 p.m. The Agenda was adopted without objection.

II. Secretary's Report

Secretary E. Goldberg presented minutes of the May 10, 2021 meeting. The minutes were adopted by acclaim. (A question was raised concerning the May Treasurer's Report that was not able to be resolved at the meeting).

III. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer R.A. Pepiton presented the Treasurer's report. Prior month's closing bank balance was \$3056.87. Donations of \$45.72 brought the current balance to \$3102.59.

IV. Chair's Report

Chair Brandon Slayton noted that he would be addressing the Pima County LP concerning elements and issues related to the Maricopa County audit on June 15.

A. Senate Maricopa Ballot Audit Update

Chair Brandon Slayton described that he had learned from Ken Bennett that (as John Brakey had earlier recommended), an additional audit of digital ballot images would be undertaken. The new estimated wrap-up date for the audit is end of June.

Future elections could be audited through time rental on 10k computers and auditing remotely, with proper security measures; sometime in the next twenty years, blockchain digital verification would allow each voter to audit his or her own ballot.

The advantage of a digital audit is meant to be self-evident results upon which all can agree.

B. PCM Update

Brandon confirmed that PCMs nominated for Twin Butte, Waddell, Cordes and Foothills precincts have been submitted to the Board of Supervisors for confirmation.

V. Events Committee/Juneteenth Update

Chair Brandon S. and Communications Director Lauren S. reviewed potential participation for the City of Scottsdale's Juneteenth celebration. Booth cost is \$60, which Chair Brandon S. had agreed to donate. A final planning meeting (to address equipment and volunteers, etc) was scheduled for June 16 at 7:30 p.m.

A motion to approve participation was brought by Brandon S. and seconded by Emily G.; the motion was voted on passed.

A motion for appropriation of \$420 for purchase of a new MCLP banner with a Juneteenth graphic, and customized MCLP literature (ending the drug war, civil asset forfeiture, qualified immunity, the racist roots of 2nd amendment restrictions) was brought by Brandon S. and seconded by Robert Allen P. The motion was voted on and passed, and the appropriation was approved.

After the vote, Robert Allen indicated he would donate \$50 towards the literature purchase.

VI. Old Business

None.

VII. New Business

A. ADOT ‘Adopt a Highway’

PCM Brock W. offered the notion of adopting a highway, the logistics, the publicity, ideological double entendre; Brock agreed he would gather additional information on the topic.

B. Countywide Meeting – Place/Time to be determined

Chair Brandon S. introduced the topic of an in-person countywide meeting sometime in the next three months; in part to evaluate/elect additional SCMs prior to the next state meeting. Some preference was noted for a weekend day for that meeting.

C. Monthly Meeting Date/Time

Brief discussion was held concerning movement of the monthly business meeting from the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. to the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Several individuals noted that a Wednesday meeting was preferable to a Monday meeting; there were no objections heard to a Wednesday meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily S. Goldberg, Secretary