

MINUTES FOR ALAMOSA COUNTY REPUBLICANS

February 4, 2019

Meeting called to order: The monthly Alamosa Republicans met at the Alamosa Recreation Center, Alamosa, CO on February 4, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Chair Sandra Wagner at 6:21 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sandra and recited by all.

Those Present: Chairman Sandra Wagner, Vice-chair Denise Witherspoon, Secretary Gary Goodwin, Treasurer John Adams, Terry Hammond, Amy McKinley, Joan Doudna, Scott Honeycutt, Jay Robinson, Susan Robinson, County Assessor Sandra Hostetter, Geri Curtis, Rob Oringdulph, Rusty Johnson, County Commissioner Michael Yohn, Janet Yohn, Robert McKinley, County Clerk Melanie Woodward, Verla Honeycutt, Darrel Cooper, and Dora Gay Anderson, thus making 21 in attendance.

Minutes: The minutes of October 18, 2018 was presented in printed form along with the current meeting agenda. After a review, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report: John corrected last month's treasurer's report by stating our current balance of the Alamosa GOP bank statement is \$1351.41.

Meeting Purpose: Chair Sandra read a statement from a portion of the agenda for the Reorganizational Meeting of the Alamosa Republican Committee, as per the State Republican Call rules, for election of the Alamosa Central Committee and county precinct chairs.

She designated Michael Yohn as the Parliamentarian of the meeting.

She designated Rusty Johnson as the Sargent at Arms of the meeting.

Crediting was to be conducted by Gary Goodwin to ascertain a quorum for the meeting.

Elected Official Report:

Alamosa County Treasurer Amy McKinley said thanks to all for your the help. She has attended a training for new treasurers and looks forward to future conferences. There are 15 foreclosures and 17 open foreclosures in the county. Her office is in the process of receiving many property tax payments.

Alamosa County Assessor Sandra Hostetter: Thanks for all your support. This year, 2019, is re-appraisal year which should show an increase in property values in Alamosa County.

Alamosa County Clerk Melanie Woodward: Thanks to Chair Sandra for helping in the test vote before the general election.

Old Business:

The Lincoln Day Dinner fundraiser for the Alamosa County GOP will be held this year, 2019. The organizational committee is made up of Sandra Hostetter, Amy McKinley, Denise Witherspoon, Gary Goodwin, and Verla Honeycutt. Possible speakers are Senator Cory Gardner, Representative Scott Tipton, State Senator Larry Crowder, and possibly the State GOP Chair.

The Alamosa GOP by-laws need to be reviewed. A committee of Denise Witherspoon, Mike Yohn, and Rusty Johnson will review and present the by-laws to be ratified.

New Business:

After dispensing of the reading, Chair Sandra listed the slate of 23 eligible voting delegates for Alamosa County. The report was given by Gary of the Credentialing Committee that we had 12 of the 23 eligible delegates, thus achieving a quorum for our election. The credentialing report was adopted by voice vote.

Parliamentarian Michael Yohn read his dialog from the State Reorganization Transcript. Therefore, the standing rules and agenda was adopted by voice vote.

Chair Sandra gave a report for her term in office. The Lincoln Day Dinner was held March 16, 2017 at ASU with Cory Gardner as guest speaker. There were about 300 protestors around the building with adequate security visible to all. She organized and conducted our caucuses and county assembly's. She had to deal with the Facebook fiasco and was able to diffuse the situation very well. As a result of resignations, Sandra appointed vice-chair, secretary, and treasurer as replacement officers at a special meeting April 3, 2018. She also supported several social events during election season and saw good GOP election results in Alamosa County but poor results in the state elections.

Vice-chair Denise has enjoyed planning several events (i.e. Summer Fest on the Rio Grande, Fourth of July and Adams State parades). She looks forward to future events and the good support of the committee.

Secretary Gary has enjoyed his involvement in the Alamosa GOP. He encouraged the audience to reach out to others and get them involved also. We need to raise the level of interest in our community as we dispute the goals of the present democrat state government.

Treasurer John also has appreciated the opportunity to serve and looks forward to another term.

Election of Executive Team:

Sandra stated that the eligibility for office is a county resident and a registered Republican.

Sandra opened the floor for nominations for Treasurer. Scott nominated John Adams. He accepted the nomination. Rob moved to cease nominations and John was elected by acclamation.

Sandra opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Janet nominated Gary Goodwin. He accepted the nomination. Rob moved to cease nominations and Gary was elected by acclamation.

Sandra opened the floor for nominations for Vice-chair. Verla nominated Denise Witherspoon. She accepted the nomination. Rob moved to cease nominations and Denise was elected by acclamation.

Sandra opened the floor for nominations for Chair. Verla nominated Terry Hammond. She accepted the nomination. Rob moved to cease nominations and Terry was elected by acclamation.

Two Vacancy Committees (County Central Committee and County Commissioners Committee), are to be named. Rob Oringdulph, Scott Honeycutt, Melanie Woodward, Sandra Hostetter, and Janet Yohn volunteered to serve on the committees. It was moved and seconded to ratify these for vacancy committee membership. They each will serve on both committees.

Precinct Chairs were discussed with the audience to help fill each precinct with a chair and vice-chair.

Precinct 1	Rob Oringdulph and Karen Wilkinson
Precinct 2	John Adams and ??
Precinct 3	Darryl Cooper and Rusty Johnson
Precinct 4	Janet Yohn and Gary Goodwin
Precinct 5	(Denise will contact prospects in Mosca-Hooper area)
Precinct 6	??
Precinct 7	Joan Doudna and ??
Precinct 8	Scott Honeycutt and ??

Chair Sandra read more of the State Call information with a motion to ratify by Sandra and seconded by Rob, it was passed.

The GOP Colorado State Re-organizational meeting will be held March 30, 2019 at Englewood High School in Englewood, CO. New county officers are to be present at this meeting in order to vote.

Discussion:

Jay Robinson suggested a good source for conservative political information is 710 KNUS Talk (Denver station) with Randy Corporon from 6:00 to 9:00 a.m. weekdays.

Sandra stated the possibility of a new State GOP Chair. Since Jeff Hayes is not seeking re-election, there are three possible candidates: Ken Buck, 4th Congressional District; Susan Beckman, HD-38; and Sherri Gibson, State GOP Vice-chair. Scott stated that Sherri had helped them through his court process to get on the ballot in November and found her to be a high-energy person.

Meeting Adjournment: Scott and Darryl moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 pm.

Minutes submitted by Gary Goodwin, Secretary