

## **SPENCER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY MEETING MINUTES FOR Sept 5, 2018**

**In Attendance:** Michelle Johnson, Gwen Harrod New Member, Chase Harrod, Linda Greenwell, Lee Higginbotham, Marsha Mudd, Linda Bullock Candidate for District Judge, David Mason, Henry "Bennie" Lyons, Hoyt Higgins, Lesta Higgins, Lynn Hesselbrock, Steve Hesselbrock, Brett Beaverson, Tim Brewer, Rachel Brewer, Bill Wood, David Essex, Melvin Gore, Missy Gore, Mike Ferrell, Carol Ferrell, Linda George, Rep. James Allen Tipton, Artie Mueller, Sheriff Buddy Stump, Mitzi Stump, Martha Allgeier, Corey Thomas, Steve Lee, Gayle Lee, Bob Waters, Cheryl Klotz, Michael Hill

**Called to Order:** Steve Hesselbrock

**Prayer:** Steve Hesselbrock

**Pledge:** Mitzi Stump

**Quorum:** Yes

**Minutes Approval:** Motion made by Lee Higginbotham with correction to mis use of grammar. Free instead of Tree Trade and the use of was instead of were in referral to Sheriff Stump and Judge Executive were allowed to speak. Second by Lynn Hesselbrock. Passed

**Financial Report:** Steve Lee, treasurer stated we have \$XXXX.XX in checking account and all bills paid. Motion to approve by Marsha Mudd and seconded by Lee Higginbotham.

**Old Business:** Octoberfest booth was brought up again with new info on the price of booth rentals and it would be affordable to set up our booth. Brett Beaverson would be in charge of the tent and booth and could use it as his election headquarters for the day. The rental was thought to be around \$40.00 instead of \$200.00. Cheryl Klotz made a motion to set up a booth with expenses not to exceed \$100.00 for the day. Lee Higginbotham seconded the motion and passed.

**New Business:** District Court Judge candidate, Linda Bullock, attended and gave us a brief background of her qualifications. She would serve Bullitt, Spencer counties.

Brett Beaverson gave a brief description of his running as candidate for magistrate in the Mt. Eden area.

Buddy Stump reported on his views and considerations as a write in candidate for Judge Executive.

James Allen Tipton reported on his campaign running for re election as our State Representative.

Melvin Gore spoke on his current job as Animal Control and what he wanted to bring to the Jailor's office if elected. He would also still help with the Animal Shelter.

The Lincoln Day Dinner will be held on the 1st of February 2019. A volunteer committee consisting of Lee Higginbotham, Michelle Johnson, Gayle and Steve Lee, James Trigilio, Linda George, Mitzi Stump, Gwen and Chase Harrod with Rachel Brewer as Chairperson.

**BOE Report:** Lynn Hesselbrock gave the report about the current situation happening at Frankfort with Sec of State Allison Grimes. Spencer County has 7816 Republican voters as of 15th August, 2018. Greg Howard of Homeland security would hold an audit of the Spencer County Election machines and storage area to make sure we are in compliance with the security measures issued by the Federal Government. She also updated us on the ruling of the State Board of Elections board on write in candidates and advertising at the poll locations.

**Fiscal Court Report:** No report due to absence of Hobert Judd.

**Legislative Report:** Rep. James Allen Tipton informed us of the son of Rep. Harris, Corbin Harris, who was injured in a fall in Lexington and asked for prayers for healing for the young man.

**Sheriff Report:** Sheriff Stump reported on the search and arrest of 9 people and still on the lookout of one more of interest. Many drugs had been taken off the roads in traffic stops.

**Distribution of Monies to Candidates:** Chairman Hesselbrock asked for all voting members of Spencer County GOP to stand if name was called. Those voting members in attendance were Michelle Johnson, Secretary; Lee Higginbotham, precinct captain; Marsha Mudd, precinct captain; Bennie Lyon, precinct captain; Lynn Hesselbrock, precinct captain; Steve Hesselbrock, Chairman; Carol Ferriell, precinct captain; James Allen Tipton, precinct captain; Mitzi Stump, precinct captain; Steve Lee, Treasurer; Gayle Lee, precinct captain; Bob Waters, precinct captain; Cheryl Klotz, precinct captain; Corey Thomas, Vice President.

First a count was done on how many republican candidates was running in contested races. It was determined there were ten candidates including Federal, State and Local. Rep Thomas Massie, Rep Brett Guthrie, Senator Jimmy Higdson, Brett Beaverson for magistrate, Jerry Moody for magistrate, Scott Herndon for sheriff, Buddy Stump for Judge Executive, John Riley for Judge Executive, Melvin Gore for jailor and James Allen Tipton for State Representative.

Motion by Lee Higginbotham to give all 10 candidates \$250.00 each and it was seconded by Steve Lee. The motion failed.

The next motion was made by Corey Thomas that the vote be made to separate Federal, State and Local Candidates. Seconded by Marsha Mudd. Motion Passed

Discussion on motion to keep the same amount of \$250.00. Federal and State candidates would receive \$250.00. Also the jailor and magistrates would receive \$250.00 Motion made by Steve Lee and seconded by Bob Waters. Passed.

Bob Waters made a motion to give write in candidate Buddy Stump \$250.00. Steve Lee seconded and motion passed.

Steve Lee made a motion to give John Riley \$250.00 and it was seconded by Lee Higginbotham. Motion failed.

Bob Waters made a motion to give Scott Herndon \$250.00 but discussion lead to a discovery that Mr. Herndon had entertained the Spencer County Democrats the week before so Mr. Waters withdrew his motion.

Lee Higginbotham made a motion to cease the giving of monies to candidates. Marsha Mudd seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Adjourn:** Steve Hesselbrock made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Lee Higginbotham. Motion Passed.