

Minutes of the Republican Executive Committee Meeting October 17th, 2023 As submitted by Sherri Propis, SLC REC Secretary Quorum of 40 was reached

Meeting called to order by Chairman Kenny Nail at 6:01 pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by Larry Jennings

Opening Prayer led by TPUSA Faith Chip Moore

- 1. Opening Comments from Chairman Kenny Nail:
 - a. Chairman Nail highlighted the Voter Registration results last 30 days:
 - i. Republicans gained over Democrats by 248 registrations last 30 days
 - ii. As of the meeting, Republicans are only 2719 registrations behind the Democrats
 - iii. Goal is to be even by election time 2024
 - iv. If each member got 30 new registrations, we will turn the county red
 - b. Chairman Nail reinforced that we stand with Israel during their time of conflict
 - i. It is a concern that our border is wide open and it's just a matter of time before it's us.

 They are trying to weaken our country. This is a battle of good vs evil, not party
 politics
- 2. Welcome Special Guests/Dignitaries:
 - a. City Councilman and State Committeeman Anthony Bonna
 - b. County Commissioner Larry Leet
 - c. Joe James: candidate for SLC Property Appraiser
 - d. George Umansky: candidate for SLC Supervisor of Elections
 - e. Jennifer Frye: candidate for SLC Supervisor of Elections
 - f. Chip Moore of TPUSA Faith
 - g. James Clasby: candidate for County Commission
 - h. Terissa Aronsen: candidate for SLC School Board
 - i. Brian Capp: candidate for SLC School Board
 - j. John Giorgis: president Sanctuary for Life
 - k. Jim Thoma: vice-president Sanctuary for Life

- 3. Consent Agenda
 - a. Sept. Minutes: No corrections
 - b. Approval for ammo purchase up to \$5k for the 2024 Clay Shoot
 - c. Motion to Approve: Ana Gomez
 - i. 2nd: Ed Savoca
 - ii. approved
- 4. Welcome Guests
 - a. Vice-Chair Chad Miller welcomed 5 guests to the meeting
- 5. Vice-Chairman Remarks
 - a. Five Fast Facts
 - b. What is the REC?
 - We are the membership body that controls the everyday activities of the local Republican Party of SLC
 - ii. Our mission is to elect Republicans to all levels of government
 - c. How do we complete our Mission?
 - i. Organize our precincts
 - 1. Register voters
 - 2. Get out the Republican vote
 - 3. Organize volunteers
 - ii. Build and Work Our Committees
 - 1. You do NOT have to be a REC member to volunteer!
 - iii. To Become a Member of the REC, you must:
 - 1. Be a registered Republican for at least 1 yr
 - 2. Submit an application and be approved
 - 3. Complete a loyalty oath and be sworn in
 - 4. Attend at least 4 meetings per year and not miss more than 3 consecutive meetings
- 6. New Members
 - a. Jan Copeland stated introduced 5 new members this month
 - i. Tara Bonna
 - ii. James Thoma
 - iii. John Giorgis
 - iv. Carlene Huston-Kinworthy
 - v. Lucie Wismer
 - b. Ana Gomez motioned to accept members
 - c. George Umansky 2nd
 - d. Unanimous approval
- 7. Treasurer Report
 - a. Chairman Nail shared the REC's bank activity (slide attached to minutes)
 - b. 90% of funds are used to elect candidates

- 8. Upcoming Special Events:
 - a. 2024 Clay Shoot
 - i. March 23rd 8:30 start
 - ii. Okeechobee OK Corral
 - b. Chili Cook-off
 - i. Oct. 21st
 - ii. 11-4 pm
 - c. Florida Freedom Fest
 - i. Nov. 4th
 - ii. Gaylord Palms, Kissimmee
 - iii. Numerous presidential candidates will be there including President Donald Trump and Governor Ron DeSantis
 - iv. Seats are limited; must register and purchase tickets in advance
 - d. SLC Tax Collector candidate Gabby Rothman is holding a fundraising Pistol Shoot Nov 11th
- 9. For The Good of the Order
 - a. Red Elephant award given to Joe James for his willingness to do whatever is necessary or asked of him and his incredible success in registering voters
 - b. Candidates in attendance gave a 30 second pitch on why we should vote for them
 - c. County Commissioner Larry Leet gave an update on numerous projects within SLC
 - d. City Councilman Anthony Bonna addressed a number of misconceptions regarding the city:
 - i. Taxes
 - ii. 8,000 home Housing development in the news
 - iii. Building permit for a church

Motion to adjourn: Ana Gomez

2nd: Mike Decker

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm

Treasurer Report

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Republican Party of St. Lucie County

