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WINFIELD TOWNSHIP DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION
MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING
Date April 21, 2021

CALL TO ORDER 7:05

ATTENDANCE Lynn Casey Maher, Sheila Rutledge, Doug Henk, Maury Goodman, Lynn Kadolph, Joe Kadolph, Byron Miller, Cindy Krejci, David Meier, Shawn Hacker, Leah Goodman, Deb Piscola, Terrell Barnes, Barry Dredze, Vince Hardt, Cyd Paulsen, Leah Goodman, Jorge Perez

SECRETARY'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning bal	2691.56
No expenses	961.02
Dep	248.02
Ending balance	1978.56

Leah moved to accept, Byron 2nd. Motion carries

CHAIR'S REPORT Lynn talked about what a huge sigh of relief about yesterday's Floyd verdict! Without the video they would have gotten away with it! Keith Ellison said that this one verdict is not justice but accountability. To hold Chauvin accountable for how he did what he did is justice. Our work is far from over! Lynn is going to sit down with Diane Hewitt about turnout. Turnout still pretty bad. Why are people NOT VOTING!?! Kifowitz is proposing to move municipal election to the fall.

Municipal election results; crazy time for the last 2 weeks. We truly worked so, so hard! Candidates were so hard working! Lynn said it was a great experience! Learned about how to run the election and much about the township! She wanted to call Cynthia to find us 92 votes until she realized it sounded like the former guy. Judi is now the top vote getter! Every township ran democrats! We should be proud because we did better than all except Lisle.

**Shawn thanked Lynn for all of her work!
Maury congratulated Deb Piscola for Winfield Trustee. Deb mentioned that our candidates were endorsed by Stan Zagel who is a solid R.**

Leah said without a local paper anymore people were unaware. She sent Lynn and article about running in R districts. Run dems anyway because it pushes votes to the top of the ballot. Running dems in ALL elections is important.

Byron talked about Lauren Underwood endorsing candidates and that seemed to have helped. Cyd asked about swearing in, May 17th. Peggy O'Connell will swear in.

\$13,000 spent by the township to attempt to throw them off the ballot!!! Have allocated another \$5,000. So hard to see taxpayers spend that.

Lynn talked about the \$40,000 on the agenda for the annual meeting for the sheriff. Many people showed up to talk about that but that item was pulled from the agenda. We are so looking forward to seeing our dems on the board. We now have representation on township and county board with our dems. We need to encourage more civic engagement! Let's make a presence at these meetings so they know there is an alternative.

Byron remarked about the amount of people that ran in all the various races. Was grateful for all who ran! How can we celebrate that? Leah says that there are about 50 people in Warrenton on various boards and elected. School board candidates came out because of covid.

A conversation was about census data and drawing districts. Data will not be available for candidates and it was discussed at county level to push back the deadline for candidate packets to January,

Lynn talked about the candidates that were elected to school boards! Jovany is expected to also be appointed as a PC.

Cindy talked about a garage sale fundraiser. Winfield wide sale is June 18-19. Will be at Cindy's on Manchester Rd. If you have donations please make sure they are clean. 2 weeks before Cindy will accept donations at her home.

Bylaws will be posted to website for a May vote.

Summer events and meetings? Garage sale will be our event and we should go to any in person events to keep awareness up.

July meeting, in year's past we did not meet in July because of parades. Lynn feels we could all use a break. Nothing going on until petitions in the fall. Maps will be better sorted out by Aug. and we can start gearing up for the primary in '22. Dave made a motion to skip July, 2nd by Byron, passed.

Meeting in person? Zoom has worked well. We need to find out if we can still go to the fire station. Conversation was a possible June outdoor meeting and potentially returning to in person in August. Leah had concerns about people with children who would not feel comfortable.

Lynn talked about HS kids getting vaccines and summer school to help kids catch up from lost learning this year.

Next meeting May 19th.

Lynn Kadolph talked about "Activate America". It is a postcard campaign to states to encourage reps and senators to vote for HR1 and various other bills that dems support. Lynn will post web address in next newsletter. www.activateamerica.vote

Vince shared that Fed legislation is the Pro Act to restore organized labor to previous levels of 25 years ago. Considering meetings we can do hybrid meetings for a bit.

Lynn thanked the unions for the large donations they made. Kudos to them!
Motion to adjourn by Lynn, 2nd by Shawn. All in favor!

Adjourned at 8:05