Colorado River Tea Party Minutes February 1, 2024

Gilbert called the meeting to order at 5:57 PM and read the Mission Statement

Cora Lee gave the invocation

Big Wayne led us in the Pledge of Allegiance

Nikki read minutes from the 1/18 meeting. Cora Lee made a motion to accept, Gary seconded. Passed **Nikki** read Treasurers Report for Ruth. Big Wayne made a motion to accept, Dave seconded. Passed **Ways and Means Report:** Carla needs volunteers for the Feb 23-24 Barbecue and Brew event. She is sending around a sign up board. Also volunteers needed for Yuma Palms Farmers Market Feb 17 and the Yuma County Fair April 2 through 7.

Legislative Report: Tanya reported on the Saturday Phoenix State GOP meeting. We have 38 representatives in Yuma. Gina Swoboda was picked to replace Jeff Dewitt as the new Arizona GOP chair.

David Ibarra, one of tonight's speakers is running for Yuma District 1 School Board. David has an interesting and varied background in the military, Assistant Director of Nurses in the mental healthcare Spanish unit in L.A., Metropolitan Transit Police and footbeat cop in L.A, Constable in Arkansas and custodian and crossing guard in Yuma. He advocates for protecting the bathroom policy in schools.

Michael Carbonne, conservative State Representative District 25, is running to maintain his position in the House in 2025. A small business owner, with a background in business, education, crafting balanced budgets, low taxes and limiting regulations is fighting for our freedoms and American values. He introduced the Election Integrity Bill and advocates for election integrity with securing the ballots, require voter ID and proof of citizenship. He wants to end illegal immigration, finish the wall, end taxpayer funded benefits, restore Title 42 and deport illegals immediately. He supports school choice and term limits for congress along with the 2nd amendment.

Good of the Order:

- * Ruth Milne was given an award for her tremendous results in Voter Registration.
- * Big Wayne got 70 signatures at his church for the Bathroom Issues.
- * Jonathan Alexander spoke about the "Take Our Border Back" convoy and rally at Britain Farms on Saturday, February 3rd. He said we need to keep this a peaceful event as we support Texas and the invasion at our Southern Border. Gilbert said caravan is coming in on 16th street and to show up at noon at 16th and 4th Ave with flags and Trump gear to support the convoy.
- * Gilbert said there's a presentation on Fentanyl at the Yuma Main Library on February 13 at 2:00 PM. **Jeff Stoner,** candidate for Yuma District School Board District 1 and an advocate on the Bathroom Policy said the current board voted not to put this item on the agenda and already decided to table it. Board meetings are at 5 PM every 2nd Tuesday at 450 W 6th St. We need 3 conservative members and that is the biggest reason Jeff Stoner is running for this position.

Neil gave us our dose of insanity news highlighting Forbidden Information on his flyer. He has also listed phone contacts and email address for our Arizona U.S. House Representatives and Senators. **Gilbert** asked for motion to adjourn. Neil made the motion, Ruth Seconded. Motion passed at 7:31PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Nikki Pollard -Secretary