

Colorado River Tea Party Minutes March 21, 2024

Gilbert called the meeting to order at 6 PM and read the Mission Statement.

Jim gave the Invocation.

Big Wayne led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nikki read minutes from the last meeting. Arlene made a motion to accept, Carla 2nd, motion passed.

Ruth indicated there is no report this evening. Neil made a motion to accept, Arlene 2nd, motion passed. We had 12 **Officials** in attendance this evening.

Legislative/2nd Amendment Report: Jim reported that the Left says guns are a national health crisis/epidemic. ATF raided Clinton's Little Rock Airport Executive Director's Home with a search warrant, gunfire exchanged, exec shot in the head and is dead. Kari Lake and Mark Finchem sue state of Arizona/Maricopa County to bar use of vote counting machines. US District Court Judge in Illinois has determined gun ban on illegals is unconstitutional. Louisville Kentucky judge determined convicted felons can own guns. Planet Fitness went woke. Lost 400 million in revenue over transgender incident.

Ways and Means: Carla has new merchandise in, Trump hats and Colorado Tea Party hats.

Old Business: Gilbert said 30% Republicans and 15% Democrats turned out for the AZ Primary

New Business: Contact Bonnie Knight to sign up to help out at GOP booth at the fair April 2-7. The rally at 24th and 4th Ave on March 30th has been canceled due to lack of interest. Mark Lamb and Daniel Butierez are speakers April 24th at Britain Farms dinner sponsored by Yuma County Tea Party.

Speakers tonight are candidates running for Yuma City Council. City Council meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 5:30 PM at City Hall, One City Plaza. **Brannich Harris** is a Certified Financial Planner and on the Yuma Parks and Rec Board. He wants a safe city without crime that offers activities for children and the family, less restrictions on business, skilled labor force with more trade schools. **Chris Morris**, City Council Deputy Mayor is the incumbent seeking another term. He owns and operates two residential construction companies for residential design and a general construction company. He has been a member of the City of Yuma Residential Advisory and Appeals Board since 2016 where he reviews and adopts current Building Code. He advocates for protecting private rights for individuals, operating within an efficient budget and helping to bring new business to Yuma. **Martin Garcia** is a conservative who wants to maintain city of Yuma good values. We need folks who have the courage to speak their mind and willing to state your point and debate it.

Anthony Gier, a featured speaker is a candidate for Arizona State LD25. He is currently a board member of the Yuma School Board District 1 and came up with the written bathroom policy. He has an extensive background in education, and is currently a Professor of Economics at one of our leading colleges. He has taught accounting college courses and teaches problem based learning. Candidates should display strong financial responsibility with a good credit history. He feels he is the most qualified candidate for this position but encourages all voters to research each one of the candidates to ascertain if they are qualified, have the background and have a backbone. Website: votegier.com

Lupita Candela is a candidate for County Assessor with 10 years in Yuma County Treasurers office correcting accounts. **Judge Jenny Farmer-Umphress** needs her petition signed to get her on the ballot for reelection. (Yuma city only). **Neil** wrapped up the evening with his Forbidden Information. Gilbert closed in prayer. Neil made a motion to adjourn and Arline seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Nikki Pollard - Secretary

