Colorado River Tea Party Minutes January 18, 2024

Gilbert called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM. **Jim** gave the invocation.

Big Wayne led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Gilbert read the Mission Statement.

Nikki read minutes from the last meeting. Arlene made a motion to accept, Mike seconded, motion passed. **Ruth** read the Treasurers Report. Nancy made a motion to accept, Dr. Don seconded, motion passed. We had 10 new guests tonight and 3 officials.

NRA Report: Jim advised of several weapons victories in New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Oregon. **Ways and Means:** Carla gave a shout out to all the volunteers at the Date Festival. We had 4 new voter registrations, 16 signed up for our newsletter and we had a very good day with the donations for our merchandise. Trump hats were a big hit. Carla successfully secured more volunteers for the Farmer's market this weekend at the Yuma Palms. We need volunteers for the Barbecue and Brew Fest February 23-24 and the Yuma County Fair in April.

Mike Infanzon, one of tonight's speakers, Has been an Arizona State lobbyist for ten years. He represents ABATE (the American Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education) and Motorcycle rights at the state level in Arizona, consisting of over 100,000 riders. He wrote the bill for Arizona Lane Filtering which allows motorcyclists to ride between cars when traffic is stopped. He is also a lobbyist for the AZ Citizens Defense League and the AZ Firearms Trade Assoc. Our citizens need to get involved in attending Town Hall meetings and getting to know our City Council members and School Board members. He encouraged every Tea party member to access AzCDL.org to join the Arizona Citizens Defense League to protect your Right to Keep and Bear Arms in Arizona. He also passed out a handout to sign up for Request To Speak (RTS). This system allows citizens to support or oppose bills in the Arizona Congress and your comments can and do have an impact on bills that are passed.

Daniel Butierez is running against Raul Grijalva (and we all know who he is) for United States representative for Arizona's 7th congressional district. Daniel is a small business man who is fed up with the illegals, homelessness, education and treatment of our veterans. Pima County and the Tucson area are the most corrupt counties in Arizona, Cartels are coming on ranches and farms, cutting water lines, ruining crops, coming up on owners front porches and our government is cutting concrete barriers to let illegals in. The government has allocated \$400,000 toward our homeless and vets and 20 million for illegal housing. Daniel is an advocate for securing the border with resources to get the job done, ensure homeless and recovering addicts receive the support they need for healthcare, education and job training, defend the Second Amendment and improve our education system. When asked what he can do to defeat Grijalva, he responded that his # 1 goal is to secure the border, finish the wall, enforce our laws, reinstate E-verify and stop child trafficking with DNA testing.

Neil wrapped the evening up with his Bi-weekly dose of insanity. Gilbert said a departing prayer and asked for adjournment. Cora Lee made a motion to adjourn, Neil seconded and we adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Nikki Pollard - Secretary