



## TIOGA COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

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Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find the latest copy of the "Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Republican Party and Its Committees in Tioga County" (By Laws) (Last Amended 6-2-93). I am sending these now in the event that I have not previously provided your office with a copy of them.

As noted here and on the By Law document, the approval date of the last revisions was June 6, 1993. No changes have taken place since then.

Sincerely,

John L. Checchia, Sr.,  
Chairman

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RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY  
AND ITS COMMITTEES IN TIOGA COUNTY (BY-LAWS) (AS AMENDED 06-02-93)

SECTION 1: UNIT OF REPRESENTATION

The unit of representation in the Republican County Committee of Tioga County shall be the Election District.

SECTION 2: MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

A: The Republican County Committee shall consist of two members from each election district with preference given to one man and one woman in each district, but to allow two men or two women in a district. They are to be elected bi-annually by the enrolled Republicans in said district. Each member shall be an enrolled voter of the Republican Party, residing in the Assembly District containing the election district in which they are elected.

B: It is recommended that in each Town/Election district a committee structure be developed which will consist of enrolled Republicans including: (1) County Committee Members, (2) Non-committee members who will work with Committee Members to perform the responsibility of passing petitions and other tasks that may be assigned from time to time.

C: The committeemen so elected shall meet within twenty days following their election and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the old County Committee to notify each member of said committee by mail of the time and place of such meeting at least three days in advance thereof.

D: Upon such committee's assembling they shall proceed to organize by the election of a chairman, 1st vice chairman, 2nd vice chairman, secretary and treasurer.

E(1) There shall be an executive committee consisting of the chairman, 1st and 2nd vice chairs, secretary, treasurer, immediate past chairman, parliamentarian, legal counsel, state committee members and town chairs, or their designees, from each of the nine towns. Executive Committee members shall have voting privileges as members of the full County Committee.

E(2) The chairman shall appoint an advisory committee which shall consist of a minimum of five members who may or may not be members of the county committee.

F: The county chairmen may appoint such other officers and committees as seems wise.

G: The several officers elected and appointed shall discharge the usual duties attached to such respective office.

H: The committee shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed and are duly organized.

SECTION 3: MEETINGS OF THE COUNTY COMMITTEE

A: Meetings of the county committee shall be held at a place designated by the county chairman and at least three days' notice in writing shall be mailed to each committeeman at his post office address unless otherwise provided by law.

B: The chairman of the county committee shall have the power to call a meeting whenever he deems it advisable. It shall be his duty to call a meeting thereof whenever at least 15 members of the county committee request him in writing so to do, specifying therein the time when they desire such meeting to be held. In case of his failure to make such a call within three days after such a notice has been delivered to him or left in his last known place of residence, 15 members of the committee may call such a meeting in the manner above provided, appending thereto the names of the members making such call, stating the objects of the meeting.

C: The chairman of the committee, when present, shall preside at meetings of the county committee. In his absence the vice-chairs shall preside. In the absence of these, the committee shall select from its members a temporary chairman to preside at such meeting.

SECTION 4: QUORUM

Fifteen members of the committee shall constitute quorum. In the absence of quorum a lesser number may adjourn a meeting to another time or place.

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SECTION 5: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The executive committee shall at all times, when the county committee is not actually in session, have such powers and possess and exercise all the rights, privileges, powers and duties which said county committee may have, possess and exercise.

SECTION 6: VACANCIES AND FILLING THE SAME

In case of death, declination, disqualification, removal from district or from office of a member of the county committee or failure to elect a member, by reason of a tie vote, the vacancy created shall be filled by the remaining members of the committee by selection of an enrolled voter of the party qualified for election from the unit of representation in which the vacancy has occurred.

SECTION 7: PARLIAMENTARY RULES

All party meetings shall be governed by the rules of parliamentary procedure.

SECTION 8: TOWN AND VILLAGE ELECTIONS

- A. In each town, county committee members shall constitute the town committee.
- B. The party shall not participate in village elections.

SECTION 9: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. Candidates will be elected by a majority. In the event that there are more than two candidates for an office, ballots will be taken as follows. The person receiving the least number of votes on a ballot will be dropped from each successive ballot. The person receiving the lowest number of votes on the next ballot will be dropped from each successive ballot and so on until one person receives a majority.

B. Use of proxies shall be allowed for voting in elections, on motions or on any issue at any full County Committee meeting or Executive Committee meeting where such issues are presented or are to be acted upon.

SECTION 10: TOWN COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Election of town officers will take place no later than 20 days after the primary, to coincide with the re-organizational meeting in the year of election and with caucusses to be held prior to or after said meeting.

SECTION 11: REMOVAL OF MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE

A member of a party committee may be removed by such committee for disloyalty to the party or corruption in office after a notice and a hearing upon written charges to be heard by the committee or sub-committee thereof appointed for that purpose which shall report its findings to the full committee. The action of any committee in removing a member thereof as herein provided for, may be reviewed in a summary proceeding before the supreme court or by a justice thereof, upon petition of the person removed.

SECTION 12: AMENDMENT OF THE RULES

A: These rules and regulations may be amended from time to time by a majority of the committee upon the following notice:

B: A copy of the proposed amendments shall be sent, with the notice of the meeting at which said amendments are to be proposed, such notice to be not less than five days before such meeting and to be mailed to the post office address of each member of the committee.