

LIBERTY COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY MEETING MINUTES November 4, 2021

Alan Preble opened the meeting and gave the opening prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Those in attendance were: Alan Preble, Pat Snelsire, Frank Garner, Alex Shirah, Melinda Schneider, Greg and Nadine MacDougal; Bobbie Poole, Martha Kitchings, Steve Berg; Delores Cheney, Bryant Maner, Earl and Sheila McGinley Mathew Wirth, Jonathan Garcia, Billy Joe Nelson.

Treasurer Report: Pat Snelsire reported the current balance is \$1,997.67.

Chairman Alan Preble's Report: Jacquelyn Harn has stepped down from 1st District. There will be a called meeting in January to replace her.

Greg MacDougal, 2nd vice chairman spoke on our tax-exempt status. The By-Laws are complete and the logo is almost done. He announced a mass gathering will be held in February for Candise Taylor. Location and time will be announced.

Alex Shirah, 3rd vice chairman is our Republican Representative on the Liberty County Board of Elections. He reported that Commissioner Marion Stevens announced in a recent meeting of the BOE that Liberty County has one minority district and they want one or two more. Alex also reported that ID for Absentee Ballots will no longer require a photo ID. It was suggested we come up with a "form" letter for Republicans and citizens to object to the two changes. Alex said we cannot change the 2020 election. We need to fix the laws so it does not happen again.

Alex announced meetings that we need to attend:

Board of Commissioners in the Courthouse Annex, 1st Tuesday, 6 pm; 1st Thursday 5 pm

Board of Elections in the Historic Courthouse, last Monday, 4 pm.

Board of Education on Facebook 2nd Tuesday 5:30 pm..www.facebook.com/libertycoschools/

Guest Speaker

Billy Joe Nelson, candidate for Atlantic Judicial Circuit and current Asst DA in Liberty County. Graduate School of Law at Mercer in 2009. He is a resident of Liberty County and his wife is a former Smiley. The current Judge is Tom Durden who will retire next year. The Atlantic Judicial Judge handles all Federal prosecution in six counties. Mr. Nelson feels that the court system needs ways to fast track to clear out the back up; he would like to instill accountability and values to work ethics. He has children 7, 5 and 1 and wants a safe place for them to grow up. He feels that domestic violence statistics show repetative problems growing to murder; the police need the DA office to back them up.

Jonathan Garcia, candidate for Governor of Georgia. The basis of his platform is derived from one central goal – to restore the constitutional republic to Georgia; hence the slogan "1776 2.0". He was born in Los Angeles and his parents moved to Georgia when he was 14. Mr. Garcia bought his first house when he was 20 through hard work and determination. He bought a 1964 Ford Mustang and now

owned his own piece of American history. He has strong feelings regarding the 1st, 2nd and 4th Amendment. He feels that our schools need to teach our children how to think for themselves, not what to think based on political agendas. He feels it is time to elect a patriot, not a politician with more empty promises.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting for our Liberty County Republican Party will be Thursday, December 2nd being our Christmas Party at the La Quinta Inn.

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