

Minutes of the Mason County Republican Executive Committee held on Wednesday October 10, 2012 at the Luciano's Restorante located at 103 W. Ludington Avenue, Ludington, Michigan beginning at 12:10 p.m.

Members present: Kris Struve, Thomas J. Gangler, Susan Boes, Susan Sniegowski, Linda Koch, James Bachelder, Lyla McClelland, Hank Wykretowicz, Paul McCrath and Rosemarie DeLoof ,Brad Chandonnet ,Beth McMaster and Stan D. Bennette.

Members Excused: Joyce Wykretowicz and Rodney Merrill.

Guests: Bill Dustman, Richard Boes, Bill Carpenter, Jean Bachelder, Jeff Nellis, Kay Hawley, Carole Johnson, Marjorie and John Berend.

The business meeting was called to order by Chairman Hank Wykretowicz at 12:10 p.m. The invocation was given by Pastor Brad Chandonnet followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Chairman Hank Wykretowicz welcomed Jeff Nellis who is a candidate for Probate Judge on the Non-Partisan ballot.

The minutes of the September 12, 2012 were approved as written.

The Treasurer's report was approved with one correction.

Current Business:

GOP Election Offices: Beth McMaster reports the office in Scottville is busy, they are out of Romney, Nellis and Hoekstra signs. Senator Geoff Hansen stopped by last week while he was in town. Lyla McClelland says there is a lot of traffic in the Ludington office. She is fielding phone calls on voter guide recommendations. We have received 300 Romney yard signs for Mason County.

Fall Picnic: The annual fall picnic was held on Sunday, September 16 at noon at Sutton's Landing. Candidates Representative Ray Franz, Congressman Dan Benishek and Senator Pete Hoekstra were in attendance. 80 people attended and enjoyed a dinner prepared by caterer Marsha Sadler.

Home Schoolers: Lyla has prepared a presentation for the home schoolers with 20 students and 8 adults. Representative Ray Franz and Jim Riffle will be on hand to answer questions on October 11, 2012.

Harvest Festival Parade: The parade was held on September 22 in Scottville, and there was a good turn out from the Executive Board to march and hand out candy. Beth McMaster provided the candy for the parade.

Adopt-A-Highway Clean Up: Chairman Hank reports that only six members showed up for the clean up. He says we will have to make a decision on whether to continue with this community service project.

New Business:

Chamber After Hours: Linda Koch and Rosemarie DeLoof attended the meet on September 26 at the Main Street Restaurant in Scottville. Beth McMaster and Stan D. Bennett agreed to represent Mason County Executive Committee for the next after hours on October 24 at the AM Galleries. A decision will be made at another meeting on whether it would be helpful for us to join the Chamber of Commerce.

Campaign Donations: Susan Sniegowski made a motion seconded by Linda Koch to donate \$1000.00 to Congressman Dan Benishek and Representative Ray Franz campaigns and a \$500.00 contribution to Pete Hoekstra's campaign. Motion carried.

County Convention: The County Convention will be held on November 13, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the convention is to elect members to the Executive Committee for the next two years.

Door to Door Campaign: The Romney people are asking Mason County for another door to door campaign on Saturday October 27 2012. They feel it is important for Romney to have a continued visibility in the community.

Comments/Announcements:

Susan Boes announced a Public Hearing on the plans of the Planning Commission on October 11, 2012 at 7p.m.

Rosemarie DeLoof invited members to join the Ludington Area Teaparty to attend their monthly meeting on Thursday October 11 at 6:30 p.m. Robbie Rankey a widely regarded political organizer will present the six ballot proposals on the November 6, 2012 ballot.

Rosemarie DeLoof
Secretary
Republican Executive Committee

