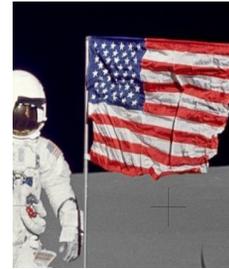


Minutes of the Wyoming County Democratic Committee meeting
Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022, at 7, via Webex, Tunkhannock



1. Call to order, pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Roll Call of Members: Jeff Zimmerman, Nadia Villanueva, Sandy Goodwin, Cynthia Stevens, Vicki Prekel, Abe Kukuchka, Lynn Manheim, Officers: Sharon Neumane, Treasurer, Michael Stabinsky, Vice Chair, Laura A. Dickson, Chair, David Martin, Secretary, Phillip Shebby, Patrick Mahoney, Molly Mahoney, Jean Harris, Nadia Villanueva, Howard Fisher, Barbara Reel, Karl Bestedder, Pat Carbone, Michael Klees, Caroline Ries, Janet and Bill Shaw

Guests: Brian Sims, Daisy (with Brian Sims), Ernie King, Commissioner, Nancy, Tom Miro, Phil Mirabelli

Present: Mike K, David, Janet, Bill, Jean, Sandra, Pat M, Sharon, Laura, Cynthia, Mick,

Excused: Karl, Barbara, Howard

3. Candidate introduction by Brian Sims, a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives for the 182nd district, candidate for Lt. Gov. He explained he's been in office 10 years representing central Philly and knows what has to be done in Harrisburg. Tom Mira also spoke re the Connor Lamb candidacy. He emphasized the importance of Lamb's experience and the election importance. Connor has run in heavily Republican areas and has won. His voting record is well established as is his public record.

4. Approval of previous Meeting Minutes –

a. Motion to approve made by Mick

b. Seconded by Cynthia

c. # in favor: All # Opposed: none

5. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report – Sharon Neumane

a. Old Balance \$ 8709

b. New Balance: \$8709

c. Motion to accept made by Mick

d. Seconded by Jean

e. # in favor: All # Opposed:

6 Report from Ernie King, Commissioners update: The Supreme Court will hear the absentee ballot case around March (stay will lift). The petition issue is outstanding. The Nicholson RR Station is funded and they expect summer opening. Sen Casey supported the County broadband request and helping move it along. It's for 5 million. The commissioners met with the Bureau of aging re the need for a 6000 sq ft facility for the senior center. They don't have a lease. They met re revitalization and the grant process with DCED. They want to have projects ready for application. Ernie visited the Gibson emergency center and they had PEMA Training there. They met with Rep Tina Pickett re

county needs. The planning commission is hoping for housing ground breaking soon. Ernie is the Treasurer with the N Tier Planning Commission. He attended the Susquehanna Dems breakfast, and heard candidates, but all on Zoom. Ernie is addressing farm land preservation. It removes farm lands from development by joining the program. Only eight municipalities have zoning. He has been looking into how they can move authority to the county to deal with blight issues. They need at least the ability to coordinate. A discussion of the County budgeting process and input from the public on spending the \$5 million received from the ARP. Laura thinks the committee should spend the money to host a public meeting.

7. Old business: Update on PayPal account. Sharon is having a password issue. Re the web site hosting, GoDaddy holds our Domain name and Wix is the web hoster, and they bill separately.

Recruitment of committee members and officers for 2022-26 term..

8. New business: Laura spoke about the need to recruit members for the committee. Nancy agreed that we need more visibility. Laura pointed out that we can make calls to those in other precincts to help them run for committee office. The motivation can be as a way to improve the committee. Mick and Cynthia volunteered to make calls to recruit. Plans for spring primary petition circulation in support of local and statewide races.

9. Adjournment, next meeting date Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 7, via Webex (the Secretary will be absent).