

St. Joseph County Democratic Party

August 11, 2022 monthly meeting minutes:

1. Meeting called to order by Chair Carol Higgins at 6:30 PM.
2. Introduction members/guests- Introductions made; attendees in person and via Zoom (1 guest speaker)
3. The agenda was approved on a motion by Ike Pangle, supported by Sue Sleeper
4. Approve minutes-July 2022 meeting- approved on motion by Victoria Fisher, supported by Suzette Kingman-Lowery
5. Lindsay Oswald, St. Joseph County Clerk provided information on election security, AV processing, inspector duties and checks and balances in place for voting precincts
6. Chair Report-
 - a. State convention August 20, Lansing Center; Wendy Evans and Rick Anderson delegates
 - b. Fair sign-up: contact Kathy Dill 269-496-9492
 - c. Ballot initiatives-successful-Promote the Vote and Reproductive Health
 - d. Election inspectors needed for November; contact your city/township clerk for details/application
 - e. Precinct delegates recently elected—See the list at the bottom
 - f. Bart Goldberg needs field staff; see previously sent
7. Secretary Report- Online membership form on website (Thanks, Sue Sleeper), Motion by Sue Sleeper, supported by Ike Pangle to renew Squarespace website hosting fee at \$168/yr. Approved. Will miss September meeting; need a volunteer to serve as secretary
8. Treasurer Report- placed on file. Motion by Julie Gardner, supported by Mike Bobalik to purchase a Square device for charge card processing. Approved
9. Reports of Committees
 - a. Platform & Issues- None
 - b. Candidate Recruitment & Support- None
 - c. Party Building- Need new chair as Sue Sleeper now treasurer
 - d. Communication & Message Management- Kathy Greaves- Wendy Evans will assist
 - e. Fundraising- Julie Gardner- Fall event- Thursday, September 29, 6-9 p.m. at the UAW Hall in Three Rivers; more details soon
 - f. Precinct Organization- None- Chairperson needed
10. Unfinished Business
 - a. New members will be given a free T-shirt
11. New business
 - a. Office space- Carol Higgins researching/visiting sites
 - b. Social media policy- Committee including Wendy Evans, Mike Bobalik and Jaime Hypes will research
 - c. Signs- some available from Cathy LaPointe (Cass County); See link below
12. For the Good and Welfare
 - a. One Campaign will have signs available soon
 - b. Our next meeting will be September, 8 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Dresser Business Center at Glen Oaks Community College, Centreville, MI. and via Zoom [details below]. Questions, please email: stjoecountydems@gmail.com.
13. Meeting Adjournment: declared at 8:53 by Chair Higgins

Michael Bobalik, Secretary

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Precinct delegates recently elected: Anne Good, Wendy Evans, Kathy Dill, Carol Higgins, Christopher Snyder, Suzette Kingman-Lowery, Kathy Greaves, Rick Anderson, Donald Andrews, Mary Beth Brenneman, Alexandra Moulds, Victoria Fisher, Coral Fry, Erin Schultes, Sue Sleeper

Zoom meeting: Good for remainder of 2022

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2801259940?pwd=WmJiVmg4V1RuMDVLUmE2aFNjQ3NhZz09>

Meeting ID: 280 125 9940

Passcode: KMB1zt

Sign link from Ike Pangle; <http://votebluemichigan.com/>