

St. Joseph County Democratic Party

July 9, 2020 monthly meeting minutes:

- I. Meeting (Zoom conference) called to order by Chair Andrew George at 7:03 PM.
- II. Introduction members/guests- those in attendance [14] (via Zoom) introduced themselves
- III. The agenda was approved on a motion by Paula Smith, supported by Mike Bobalik
- IV. Approve minutes
 - a. For June were approved on a motion by Dennis Smith, supported by Eddie LaBoeuf
- V. Executive Reports
 - a. Secretary Report- Domain name move to SquareSpace from GoDaddy completed
 - b. Treasurers' Report- received and placed on file. Please consider being a "sustaining member"
 - c. Chair Report- DNC convention will be virtual; Andrew is a delegate
- VI. Committee Reports:
 - a. Steering committee- Dennis Smith- please see email pertaining to executive committee
 - b. Political Organization Committee- None
 - c. Membership committee- Carol Higgins- 3 new members, revised membership form available soon, US-131 road clean-up Monday, July 13 at 7 p.m. meet at the "pull off" on west side of 131.
 - d. Communication Committee- Eddie LaBoeuf talked with Deb Bordner regarding the annual fund raiser; no plans as yet. Working on union endorsements for local candidates
 - e. Ways and Means- possible virtual fund raiser (auction items), invite prominent Dems to submit brief videos, possibly during fair week (week of Sept. 20). August 15 Road Rally (scavenger hunt-format) for Amy East; details soon
 - f. Precinct Organization- Precinct delegates- 3 new Write-in candidates, more needed; Contact Paula if interested (269) 615-2887. **It is important to get additional precinct delegate candidates on the ballot. Deadline: 7/31/2020.**
- VII. Old Business-
 - a. Consider a sustaining membership (monthly) through Act Blue
- VIII. New Business-
 - a. Office now open- Thursday- Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m., 113 Portage St. Three Rivers. **Staffing help needed.**
 - b. Our next meeting will be August, 13, 2020 (in-person or Zoom; TBD) meeting at 6:30 p.m. Questions email: stjoecountydemsparty@yahoo.com or stjoecountydems@gmail.com
- IX. Good and Welfare-
 - a. Donuts with Dems, Saturday, July 11, 9-11 a.m. CDC guidelines in place
 - b. Suggestions for office in Sturgis; "without substantial donation it is too costly", Chair George
 - c. Amy East signs available soon
 - d. Office now open- Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday 9:30-4:30 p.m. **Staffing help needed.**
- X. Meeting Adjournment: At 8:21 Motion by Paula Smith, supported by Eddie LaBoeuf; declared by Chair George

Michael Bobalik, Secretary

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