

Date: 10/27/2022

Regular Meeting in Moro, OR, 97039

#### In attendance:

Party Officers:	Party Members:	Observers:
Travis West	Mike Rippee	
James Alley	Amanda West	
Kristine West	Josh Ball	

Meeting began at 6:02 pm.

Agenda was presented by Travis West, chair. Motion from Josh Ball to approve the agenda, Mike Rippee second. Agenda approved unanimously.

Minutes from the Annual Meeting Sep 2022 presented and briefed by Travis West. Motion from Josh Ball to approve the minutes as presented, second from Kristine West. Minutes approved unanimously.

No items on the consent agenda and no items addressed during open forum.

# Reports of Officers:

#### Chair – Travis West

Travis and the other officers finalized the creation of the SCLP. Travis submitted a memorandum to the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO), requesting to officially affiliate with the LPO. Travis briefly presented that memorandum. The memorandum addressed information the LPO requested. It included five enclosures that the LPO requested as well.

# Vice-Chair – James Alley

James and Travis reviewed the bylaws and constitution draft before it was adopted at the last meeting. James will assist Travis with the website.

## Treasurer – Kristine West

Kristine opened a bank account for the SCLP at the Bank of Eastern Oregon. The account is under the name "Sherman County Libertarian Party." Travis and Kristine

are listed on the account. A donation of \$100 was made to the SCLP and that is the current balance of the SCLP's account. Donations and expenditures must be recorded and reported. Donations will require knowing certain information about the donor. Kristine registered the SCLP as a Political Action Committee (PAC) with the Oregon Secretary of State (SoS). The SCLP's details are publicly viewable on the Oregon SoS website. Donations and expenditures must be reported to the SoS and those reporting requirements have deadlines.

# Secretary – Vacant

Travis has been filling in as the Secretary role as needed since the last meeting. Travis has a spreadsheet of accounts associated with the SCLP as well as a collection of SCLP documents. Once a Secretary is appointed, Travis will provide the Secretary with these items.

# Public Policy Officer – James Alley

James has created a SCLP account on Twitter and Facebook so far. He has waited to post items on social media for the most part; He is interested in hearing what others in the party have in mind for messaging style and topics. James hasn't made an Instagram account yet, but he will.

No other reports.

## Unfinished and New Business

Travis West explained that, per the bylaws, a Secretary must be appointed at this meeting. Josh Ball volunteered to be the Secretary. Motion from James Alley to appoint Josh Ball as the Secretary of the SCLP, second from Amanda West, Executive Committee voted yes unanimously, appointing Josh Ball as the Secretary of the SCLP.

## Firearm class-

Travis West mentioned that it would be good to host or sponsor a firearm training class designed for women only, as there has been a lot of interest voiced lately for such a thing. James Alley suggested possibly having two classes, one for intermediates and one for beginners. James volunteered to teach it. Josh Ball suggested that, in regards to advertising for such classes, less is more. Brief discussion was had about what a beginner's class would involve. Brief discussion was had about liability and waivers. Travis mentioned that the Sherman County Sheriff's Office and other organizations may be willing to assist/co-sponsor these classes. Josh volunteered to research the liability/waiver aspect of this project. James suggested a firearm familiarization class (with no range time) this Winter.

County charity-

It was agreed that this would be tabled for now. James Alley suggested that this project would be easier/better to sponsor once the party has more members and that the party should focus on more recruitment. Josh Ball agreed and added that this charity project will also be a good recruiting opportunity.

#### Website-

Brief discussion was had about what content to put on the landing page for the county party's website. It was generally agreed that less is more and to have a county party platform that includes three main topics at the heart of the landing page. Discussion was had about what those three topics should be for the platform. It was agreed that the three topics will likely be Parental Rights, Economic Rights, and Self-defense Rights. The officers were tasked with drafting verbiage for the platform. This county platform will be added to the next meeting's agenda for approval by members.

## Social media-

Brief discussion was had about messaging style. It was agreed that memes are effective but that controversial posts are not the strategy we want to pursue. Bold and principled messaging was talked about. James' guidance from the group was to try to stay within the county party platform that was discussed earlier in the meeting. Amanda West agreed to help with finishing the Facebook and Instagram setups. It was discussed that the other officers could also help post on social media.

# Donations and fundraising-

Travis West and Kristine West will research reporting requirements more so that our website and forms can be set up correctly for donations/fundraising. Travis talked about how we will need to raise funds eventually in order to help campaigns/candidates in the future. Travis pointed out that it is a position of strength to have the ability to offer volunteers and money to campaigns/candidates.

#### Measure endorsements-

Motion from James Alley for the SCLP to oppose all state measures currently on the ballot, Kristine West second, approved unanimously. This will be drafted as a recommended "NO" on each measure with no verbiage/explanation (with the exception of Measure 114, which was addressed in the next agenda item).

Resolution to oppose Measure 114-

Travis West and James Alley presented the draft resolution concerning Oregon Measure 114. Discussion was had about the draft, with edits made to content as suggested and agreed on by the group. Motion from James Alley to adopt the resolution, Amanda West second, resolution passed unanimously. This is Resolution 22-01. Travis was tasked with finalizing its form on letterhead/attestation and James was tasked with publishing/sharing the resolution on social media.

# Open Forum

Josh Ball explained that there is a tack sale event on March 25<sup>th</sup> at the Wasco Event Center. The group discussed having a SCLP table there. Travis and James volunteered to man the table. Josh tasked with coordinating with the tack sale event coordinator to set this up.

# Next meeting scheduling

Brief discussion was had about when and where to have the next regular meeting. Josh Ball tasked with the location for this meeting. Once the location is determined, this meeting will be advertised.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.