Minutes for Mason Co GOP Committee Mar 17, 20015

Chairman John Kreinbrink called the meeting to order.

**Members Present:** John Kreinbrink, Rebecca Robinson, Rod Merrill, Jim Bachelder, Paul McCrath, Rose DeLoof, Lyla McClelland, Charlie Robinson, Hank Wykretowicz, Sheriff Kim Cole, John Schulte, Phil DeVries, Linda Koch.

**Members Absent:** Brad Chandonnet, Cathy Ingraham, Joyce Wykretowicz, John Beckett and Susan Boes.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** led by Paul McCrath

Minutes presented by Rebecca Robinson. Motion to accept made by Hank W. and seconded by Jim B.

**Treasurers Report:** presented by Paul McCrath. Checks received for renewed memberships and ads for Lincoln Dinner. Financial reports read and discussed. Motion to accept financials by Jim B and second by Rod M.

**Guests:** none

**Old Business:**

**Invitation Letter and Dues Form:** Received from Kwik Print and John is mailing to all on the list. Kim Cole took some to distribute to commissioners that he expects to see soon.

**Convention in Lansing:**

Feb 20 state convention was attended by John K, Becky and Charlie R, Rod M, Peter O, and Cathy I. Mike Hewitt and Ronna Romney McDaniel were elected. A complete list of those elected can be seen on the state website.

**Lincoln Dinner:**

Lyla M reported on progress toward Lincoln Dinner which will be on April 9 at 6pm at Lincoln Hills Club. State Senator Judy Emmons will speak as keynote on Human Trafficking in Mich. Lyla brought brochures from Emmons office to pass out or post. She has discussed this with some local women’s groups who may be interested. There was discussion of how many and who had purchased the ads for the program. Also took a count of how many of us at this meeting were planning to come to dinner. The people assigned to do introductions and other chores for the dinner were discussed. The deadline to get the ad info and money in is April 4.

**Highway Cleanup:**

Hank W. presented dates for cleanup this year as April 26-May 4, July 11-19, and Sept 26-Oct 4. Last year a couple youth groups helped to complete the work. Paul M volunteered to talk to Cornerstone youth group about participating again this year and Rebecca R will invite Calvary Baptist youth group. We will discuss at the next meeting.

**Summer Raffle**

Lyla M made a motion to host a summer raffle where tickets would be sold at Friday night live events and during the week of the county fair from our booth. She says the permit is reasonable price and she will volunteer to maintain the schedule for the fair and find out rules for raffles. Hank W seconded the motion and it was supported. John K appointed a raffle planning committee with Lyla M, Rose D, Hank W, and Rod M volunteering to participate. To be discussed next time.

**Election Cycle goal and priority planning**

Phil D made a recommendation that we set goals and priorities for the next election cycle. Group discussion to expand this to include coming up with goals and objectives to become a more relevant and visible presence in this community. Some suggestions included making posts on social media, sponsoring public forums, get elected officials local and state to speak and attend our meeting along with candidates. Also to schedule future brainstorming sessions. John K appointed himself, Phil D, and Rod to sit on a committee to plan these activities.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jim B and John S seconded. Meeting adjourned and next meeting scheduled on April 21, 2015 at Bookmark at 6:30.