Mason County Republican Executive Committee Meeting Minutes June 3, 2025

Call to Order – 6:30pm Invocation – Pastor Ford Pledge – Charlie Robinson

Roll Call by Tina Shirshun – <u>Present:</u> County Clerk Cheryl Kelly, Bill Chye, Pastor Brian Ford, Sheila Genter, Margaret Greiner, Jason Kirkpatrick, Cindy Muzzo, Shaun Shoemate, Nicole Norton, Charles Robinson, Rebecca Robinson, Tina Shirshun.

Excused Absences: Kirk Chavalia, Verna Chavalia, Duane Hobart, Tom Johnson.

<u>Guests:</u> Frank Vande Voorde, Tim Muldoon, Carole Jonson, Daniel Jensen, Cathy Ingraham, Randy Willams, Linda Kurncz, Brittany Carsten.

Approval of the May 6, 2025 Minutes –

*Motion made by Rebecca Robinson to approve the May 6, 2025 meeting minutes. Seconded by Nicole Norton. No discussion. Motion carried.

Treasury Report – Margaret Greiner reported on the Admin Acct giving April's EOM balance followed by income, expenses and the May EOM balance. Also reported on the State Acct's April EOM balance followed by income and expenses and then the May EOM balance. Margaret also covered three additional deposits made on June 3 followed by the actual balance as of June 3 for the State Acct.

*Motion made by Nicole Norton to approve the financial report. Seconded by Bill Chye. No discussion. Motion carried.

Official Business – Reports from Committee Members –

Unfinished Business:

- **A1)** Sheila gave final report details (income/expenses/profit) on the Lincoln Day Dinner and thanked all who participated to make it a successful event.
- *Motion made by Jason Kirkpatrick to accept the LDD final report. Seconded by Cynthia Johnson. No discussion. Motion carried.
- **A2)** Charlie reported the Adopt-a-Highway week is July 12 20 and will schedule that at the July 1st MCR Exec. Comm. Meeting. Charlie shared the struggle to get more volunteers and to please consider this.
- **A3)** Sheila looking for a lead volunteer to be in charge of the July 4th Parade Float. Jason has offered a location to prepare the float and some discussion took place for a theme for the parade. Anyone volunteering to be in charge is to contact Sheila after meeting.
- **A4)** Our Fair Booth is reserved for August $4^{th} 9^{th}$.

New Business:

- **B1)** Factual information regarding Trump's EO's during month of May was shared from the website www.whitehouse.gov
- **B2)** DOGE (Department of Government Efficiency) https://doge.gov website was also provided where you can find factual information that DOGE has uncovered.
- **B3)** There was discussion on the upcoming 2026 MI Elections for Governor, AG and SOS. It's never too early to do research. Sheila then gave breakdown to date of candidates that are running for these positions.

- **B4)** "100 days of Hoaxes" written April 29, 2025 that Trump has been dealing with from the media was shared by Sheila.
- **B5)** Sheila spoke on "Water Testing" issues which led to good questions and discussion. Daniel Jensen also presented public information he has gathered to the Committee Members and will provide links in an upcoming email.
- **B6)** Registration is open for the 36th Biennial Mackinac Republican Leadership Conference. https://mackinac.michiganrepublicanparty.com/

Reports from Federal & State Elected Officials -

- -Sheila read report received from Emmah Coker on the Pentwater Dredging Funding from the Army Core of Engineers. Emmah also shared the HR1 "Big Beautiful Bill Act" passed the US House of Representatives on May 22nd, a major win for Michigan families in D-2 to keep tax cuts, promote border security and provide funding to ICE, deportations, US Customs and Border Protection for fentanyl protection and to put an end to the crisis at the southern border. This legislation also included Moolenaar's "No Gotion Policy". Also shared there is a Freedom Friday Event with Congressmen Brian Mast and John Moolenaar for July 25th in Sparta.
- -Sheila read an update from Representative Joe Fox that he has voted for several bills to protect and secure our state from the threat of illegal immigrants and will always stand for law and order. On May 6th Rep Fox casted a key vote on a package to prohibit sanctuary cities. HB's 4338, 4339 and 4342 would prohibit municipalities from enacting sanctuary policies and would freeze revenue sharing payments to any jurisdiction that refuses to cooperate with Federal Immigration authorities. His update also included his vote on May 22nd to hold SOS Benson in civil contempt for her refusal to turn over documents regarding election training materials.

Reports from County Elected Officials and D-2 Member -

-County Clerk Cheryl Kelly reported there will be an August election but Hamlin 1&2 get to sit it out. Cheryl then went through items and positions in several areas that are up for election.

Announcements -

Freedom Friday, July 25th, with Congressmen Brian Mast and John Moolenaar.

Public Comments – Randy Williams commented on the blackout in Spain and Portugal, getting DOGE cuts codified and viewing the DOGE roundtable meetings; Linda Kurncz commented on getting responses from Congressmen; Tim Muldoon commented on the Democrat protest and the July 4th parade; Frank Vande Voorde commented on responses from elected officials; Daniel Jensen commented on the water issue and water testing changes; Cathy Ingraham commented Mike Lindell's lawsuit and that he needs help with funds and prayers and also shared the Pere Marquette Lake Watershed Council on FB and the website is www.jeffersonfhenry.com; Bill Chye shared there was a AAAWM meeting at the college but they didn't publicize it and was told there was no representation in Mason County.

Adjournment –

*Motion made by Jason Kirkpatrick to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Nicole Norton. No discussion. Motion carried.

Next meeting date is July 1, 2025, 6:30pm, Hamlin Town Hall.