

Minutes

Josephine County Democrats Sept 11, 2018 meeting

Submitted by Lynda Demsher (substituting for Sec. Pat Bath)

Chair Brian Clark called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Business:

Chair Brian Clark noted that the minutes from the last meeting were on the website and available to all to read. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. Was passed unanimously.

Treasurer Dorothy Yetter announced the current treasurer's report, also available on the website. Also announced that Peter DeFazio's campaign made a contribution of \$1500 to our Central Committee. Dorothy Yetter will be putting together a budget for using that generous contribution in our campaign activities and anyone wishing to join in should contact her.

Treasurer Dorothy Yetter, also on the Bylaws Committee, went over changes and updates in the Bylaws. Changes include referring to heads of committees and the JCDCC as "Chair" instead of "Chairman" and adding duties to the Campaign Committee regarding endorsements, changes to the Executive Committee's membership, and updates to party officers' duties. See: <https://josephinedemocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/JCDCC-Bylaws-Proposed.pdf> and the standing rules: <https://josephinedemocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2018-07-16StandingRulesProposed.pdf>

The changes will be discussed and approved by PCPs present at the October meeting.

Special events: Sheri Morin announced events for September/October including the October 8 Blue Wave Picnic, 4 p.m. at the Harry & David riverside shelter in Reinhardt Park. This will be a potluck, with people attending asked to bring a dish serving at least four. Sheri asked that people call the office to let her know who will be bringing what so she can make sure a variety of foods will be available. Although the park permit obtained did not include the extra fee for alcohol, Sheri asked for a vote on the \$125 permit, saying it would be nice to have a cold beer at the event. Lemonade and water will be provided. Sheri called for a vote of the PCPs present. The vote was 14 to 7 in favor of allowing alcohol, but it was suggested everyone who brings alcohol, contribute \$10 toward the permit when they show up at the event.

Dixie Owens reminded everyone of the Wine and Dine with Jamie fund-raiser coming up Tuesday, Sept. 18 at the Flynn-Reynolds Ranch. She said tickets are limited and going fast so anyone who wants to attend should contact her or Brian for tickets soon. Upcoming events are listed at <https://josephinedemocrats.org/>

Chair Brian Clark reminded everyone that Saturday Sept. 29 will be Highway Cleanup Day. Volunteers are needed to meet at 9 a.m. at Hubbard Rd and Highway 199 for a two-hour adventure picking up litter in the RCC area of 199.

Clark and Howard Owens reminded those present that Gov. Kate Brown needs support as she is facing a tough campaign this year. Both candidates have about equal amounts of money, he noted. Canvassers and phone bank volunteers need to remind people that Gov. Brown needs their vote. Fifty Kate Brown yard signs have been ordered but have yet to arrive, he said.

Clark also asked for two Election Protection volunteers to be at the county courthouse election night to observe proceedings. Training is available.

Speakers were Josephine County Commissioner Candidate Ron Smith and Josephine County Sheriff candidate Jonathan Knapp. Smith said public safety is the number one issue in the county and proposed

that allowing more logging would pay for fully staffing the sheriff's department. Knapp said he has a plan to make the sheriff's department more efficient by adding a sheriff's posse and trained volunteers. See more details at <https://josephinedemocrats.org/hot-off-the-press/the-press/>.

PCPs approved a slate of Josephine County Democrats endorsements with slight changes, to be made into a slate card to hand out during canvassing and other events during the election season.