Carlisle Democratic Town Committee

Meeting Minutes – January 17, 2019 Gleason Public Library, Carlisle

Attendees: Bob Wallhagen, Nancy Kronenberg, Ken Deitch, Launa Zimmaro, Francis Tacardon, Rebecca Morris, Rick Oches, Kate Reid, David Erickson, Dan Scholten, Bonnie Miskokzy, Anne Gibbs, Helen Young, Dan Cook, Frank Rigg, Laurie Argon, Maureen Deery

Nancy Kronenberg called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

Nancy Read the following:

In the 1640's the Dutch inhabitants of New Amsterdam built a 12 foot wall to keep the bad hombres out.

In 1664 the British ignored the wall and took New Amsterdam by sea,

It's now called New York.

They took down the wall and built a street.

It's called Wall Street.

Bonnie-need to energize 2020:

Bonnie suggested the DTC needs visibility and suggested we do a classified in the mosquito including: Fun facts example how long has the DTC existed, who was the first woman selectperson. Bonnie is interested in taking this on for a while and Nancy mentioned Bob L might want to be involved. Kate Reid motioned for a budget of 120.00 for 10 ads Rick Oches second the motion. Vote was unanimous in favor.

Outings: to a movie Bonnie suggested Vice and RBG in Lowell signup sheet passed around.

Open meeting law: Kate discussed a complaint against the town from a resident that said he was misquoted in draft minutes.

Launa Trash Talk: recycling committee will make their report to the Board of Selectman on Tuesday, January 29. It was suggested that we all try to attend to support the report.

Registrar: Cynthia Schweppe's term is up in June. Anne Gibbs, she explained the duties. If anyone is interested, they should contact Nancy Kronenberg.

Treasure Report: Rick completed the annual report to the state office. The current amount in the account is 1276.21. If you would like to pay dues of 35.00 you can send a check to Rick Oches at 195 Rockland Rd. We will try to collect dues in January/February but anytime is fine.

Minutes: October 17 motion to accept all approved

November 19 motion to accept all approved

New member vote: Nancy read Rebecca Morris's Bio. The vote to have Rebecca become our newest member was unanimous.

Speaker Series: Francis is working on finding a date in either March or April at FRS with 2 or 3 speakers. He will involve High School, DTC's in other communities, LWV and CRTA.

Interest Survey: Maureen handed out the survey results-electing Democrats and Climate were the top choices.

General discussion:

The LWV is doing a webinar on ranked choice voting on February 26th. Launa will send information.

We will ask Michael Ansara to come and speak about lobbying legislators.

Kate reminded us that we need people to run in local elections.

Nancy mentioned that Tami will come to our next meeting.

Kate reminded us that money needs to be attached to bills. We have unfunded mandates that have no money attached therefore don't go anywhere. Rebecca suggested we contact friends in target districts to support carbon pricing. Benson Bill provides money for Green infrastructure fund.

Winter Party: Kate will host on March 17th. Rebecca to invite Tami and Mike Barrett and Maureen will ask Michael Ansara to speak about lobbying.

State meeting: Bob Wallhagen explained that some State Committee Members are Democrats in name only. He said we need to submit petitions to stop giving people committee positions when they are not real democrats. Some are hosting for Republicans. Rebecca and Bob W will take about a draft petition/letter to stop this. We will vote on this issue at the next meeting.

Adjourn 8:46 Next meeting February 21

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Cosgrove-Deery