## Carlisle Democratic Town Committee - Caucus & Meeting Minutes Feb. 03, 2017, 10:15 pm, Hollis Room, Gleason Public Library

## **DTC Caucus**

- Nancy called caucus to order at 10:40 am.
- 14 registered Carlisle voters present (13 DTC members plus Dan Cook)
- Nancy gave overview of caucus rules and read letter from Mass Dem chair Gus Bickford
- State Democratic Convention is June 1 & 2, DCU Center, Worcester
- The following delegates were nominated Maureen Deery, Bob Luoma, Remis Bistras, Francis Tacardon
- The following alternate delegates were nominated Dan Cook, Rick Oches
- The following delegates were elected:
  - Female Delegate Maureen Deery
  - Male Delegate Bob Luoma
  - Either Gender Delegate Remis Bistras
  - Ex Officio Delegates Nancy Kronenberg, Bob Wallhagen
  - Alternate Female Delegate UNFILLED
  - Alternate Male Delegate Dan Cook
  - Alternate Either Gender Delegate Rick Oches
- Francis Tacardon plans to apply as a minority add-on delegate
- The caucus adjourned at 11:30 am.

## **DTC Meeting**

The following candidates for public office spoke before the business meeting:

- Barbara L'Italien candidate for 3rd Congressional District
- Lenny Golder candidate for 3rd Congressional District
- Tami Gouveia candidate for 14th Middlesex District
- Ben Bloomenthal candidate for 14th Middlesex District
- Christian Kruger candidate for 14th Middlesex District
- Nick Carter candidate for Governor's Council

The Carlisle DTC business meeting started at 11:55 am.

- Members present: Bob Wallhagen, Nancy Kronenberg, Bob Luoma, Rick Oches, Francis Tacardon, Remis Bistras, Sandy Scott, Anne Gibbs, Dan Scholten, Cindy Schweppe, Sally Zielinski, Maureen Deery, Bonnie Miskolczy
- Draft minutes for Nov. 30 meeting were approved.
- The DTC spring social event is at Kate Reid's house on March 18
- Treasurer's report \$859.59 present in the DTC account
- Maureen Carlisle Rising is organizing multiple town-wide candidates' forums at the Carlisle School on 5
  separate dates in March. Maureen will have the final dates by Feb. 8
- Dan Cook was voted in as a new member of the DTC
- Bonnie went to hear Frances Moore Lappe talk (co-author of "Daring Democracy" by Frances Moore Lappe & Adam Eichen, Beacon Press, 2017)
- Bonnie gave brief overview of ALEC and ACCE conservative "bill mills" that write and promote legislation favored by corporate interests. Mentioned <u>votesmart.org</u>.
- General discussion followed about ALEC, ACCE, and their corporate agenda
- Christian Kruger mentioned the lack of civics education in high schools. A discussion followed about the lack of knowledge in schools about our political systems and civic obligations.
- The meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Luoma, Secretary