

**Montrose County Republican Central Committee**  
**Thursday, July 12, 2018**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Spencer Hamner at 6:32 p.m.

**Invocation:** The Invocation was given by Chairman Hamner.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** County Treasurer Rosemary Murphy led the Committee in our Pledge.

**Welcome of Elected Officials, Attendees & Guests:** Chairman Hamner welcomed all.

**Elected Official's Report:**

**Senator Don Coram:** reported on the interim Wildfires Matters legislative committee he is serving on and the challenges of fire prevention; how agriculture is expanding in the area, and the suicide prevention programs to help farmers and the challenges they have been facing; on the gubernatorial primary results and thoughts on the upcoming general election.

**Commissioner Roger Rash:** reported Commissioner Caddy was in Nashville for a conference. They are hoping to receive a DOLA grant to refurbish the courthouse, have been working with the Sheriff on the jail expansion, and on efforts to combine the two dispatch centers. He reported on the current status of the Tabeguache Fire, and concluded by thanking the Vacancy Committee for their work to fill the vacant county commissioner position, and announced that Sue Hansen will be sworn in on July 18.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Chairman called for the approval of the June 12th minutes. A motion to approve was made by Allan Miller; seconded by Ray Langston and declared approved by voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Deb Hunter reported on the current balance and checks paid. Addressing the website hosting expense required a vote of the Committee and a motion was made by Dianna Coram, seconded by Jim Dittmar and declared passed.

**Unfinished/Ongoing Business:**

**Primary results:** Chairman Hamner announced the primary results, and congratulated the newly elected general election candidates.

**Office operation:** Secretary Charli Oswald reported office help is needed, and plans for using the facility to expand participation and fundraise.

**County Fair:** Deb Hunter reported a booth has been purchased for the event starting July 23, and that ideas and help are needed for the parade float.

**Luau:** Marcus Catlin talked about plans to host a luau on either August 18 or 19 at Centennial Plaza as a 'thank you to our activists.'

**New Business:**

**Resignation:** Chairman Hamner read the resignation letter submitted by 1st Vice Chairman Dave Laursen and announced that we will be electing a replacement at the next central committee meeting on August 9.

**Lincoln/Regan Dinner:** Treasurer Deb Hunter announced that the Holiday Inn has been secured for the evening of October 13. Speakers are to be determined.

**Event Planning:** Marcus Catlin reported on goals throughout the next several months to provide classes, videos and events to educate and bring people together. Monday, July 16 is the first steering committee meeting for "Popcorn and Politics" at GOP headquarters. All are welcome.

**Committee Chair/Affiliation Reports:**

**Republican Women Chairman Dianna Coram:** announced the luncheon to be hosted by Republican Women for gubernatorial candidate Walker Stapleton on July 26 at Remington's. Tickets are \$25. She reported on calling efforts by volunteers to turn out votes for the primary and the very disappointing low voter turnout. Clerk and Recorder Tressa Guynes will be the guest speaker at the next MCRW meeting on July 20, Hampton Inn at noon.

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Chairman Coram acknowledged and thanked Donna Rose for her work on the Republican Women newsletter, and thanked the volunteers for their help on the 4th of July parade float.

She submitted the proposal of a joint effort to purchase a large banner for the outside of the GOP office. Jim Dittmar made a motion to provide 1/2 payment by the Committee, it was seconded by Ray Langston and declared passed.

**Strategy & Planning: Chairman Tricia Joy - absent**

**Public Relations: Chairman Kerri Catlin - absent**

**Candidate Support: POSITION OPEN**

**Events/Fundraising: POSITION OPEN**

**Closing Remarks/Announcements:**

Charli Oswald reported on Lang Sias, the Lt. Governor candidate just chosen for the GOP ticket.

Chairman Hamner thanked all for their time and commitment to help the Republican Party and candidates.

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Dittmar.

— *Minutes submitted by Charli Oswald, Secretary*