



Preston Republican Town Committee

Minutes Virtual Meeting

Date: March 15, 2021

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Chairman – Matt Davis
Vice-Chair – Ken Zachem
Treasurer – Maureen Domina
Secretary – Vacant

1. Chairman Matt Davis call the meeting to order at 7:00PM.
2. Chairman appointed Andy Depta as acting Secretary for the purposes of this meeting only.
 - a. The Acting Secretary took the roll call of the members, those present are: Andy depta, Jill E Kieth, Matt Davis, Maureen Domina, Merrill Gerber, Ken Zachem, Robert Congdon, Jessy Walden, and Angela Davis.
 - Quorum is present
 - b. Members absent are: Arthur G. Moran Jr., Charles Raymond, Dan Harris, Gregory S. Moran Sr., Jerry Morales, Jill S. Keith, John Moulson, Ray Sulich and Richard Chalifoux.
 - c. Those non-members that are present are: Robert York, Joshua Sweeny and Ben Wilson.
 - d. Also present are: Dan Hetzel, State Central Republican representative and Mike France, 42 State District Representative
3. Mike France, State Representative spoke of his candidacy of running in the 2022 election for the Representative Connecticut's 2nd congressional district. Mike also spoke of pending legislation of a state wide regulation that all town in CT must have a percentage of low-cost housing.
4. Under separate cover for March 15, 2021 meeting the Preston RTC unanimously endorsed Linda Congdon of 287 Miller Road, Preston, CT 06365 and Susan Tomis of 25 Northwest Corner Road, Preston, CT 06365 for Preston Republican Justice of Peace for the term from 3/15/2021 to 01/06/2025. Their names were submitted to the Preston Town Clerk.
5. Andy Depta, Liaison to the Board of Education (BOE), Finance Committee provide a report that the BOE is in their final preparation of their projected 2021-2022 budget that will be presented to the Preston BOF on April 6, 2021.
6. It was identified that there are three (3) registered Republican visitors at tonight's RTC meeting that expressed an interest to become regular members of the Preston RTC. Andy Depta made the motion to nominate Robert York, Joshua Sweeny and Ben Wilson as regular members to the Preston RTC. The motion was seconded by Matt Davis. The RTC members present and voting unanimously voted in favor of the nomination. Motion is approved. The RTC welcomed the three new regular members.
7. Matt Davis and his wife are moving to Florida late March or early April 2021; therefore, Matt Davis notified the Preston RTC that he will be resigning as Preston Republican Town Committee Chairman immediately this evening on March 15, 2021. Matt will remain as a regular member of the Preston RTC until he resigns from the Preston RTC in the coming days.

8. Ken Zachem nominated Andy Depta of 6 Young Court (republican) to replace Matt Davis as the Preston Republican Town Committee as Chairman. Matt Davis seconded the nomination. The RTC members present and voting unanimously voted in favor of the nomination. Motion is approved. Andy Depta took over the meeting as Chairman immediately after the approval of the motion.
9. Dan Hetzel, State Central Representative indicated that there are some leadership changes and that Preston is allocated three (3) delegates to the Republican 2021 Convention on May 11, 2021.
 - a. The Chairman asked for three (3) volunteers as delegated to the Republican May 11, 2021 Convention. The following RTC regular members volunteered to be a delegate to the above convention:
 - Jill E. Keith, 72 Old Jewett City Road, Preston, CT 06365
 - Robert Congdon, 287 Miller Road, Preston, CT 06365
 - Benjamin Wilson, 126 Route 2A, Preston, CT 06365
 - b. Their names were submitted to the Executive Director, Rebecca Michlin, State Central Connecticut Republican Party
10. There were no public comments
11. Being no other business to come before the Preston, RTC, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

RTC Acting Secretary



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