

*Libertarian Party of Central New Jersey
Meeting Minutes - September 21, 2004*

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at about 7:15 p.m. at the Lone Star Restaurant in Scotch Plains. In attendance were members Brenda Bell, Frank Warren, Scott Lenger, Kevin Pearce, Howard Schoen (chair) and John Paff (secretary). Also present was nonmember Jacob Magiera of 612 Sheridan Ave, Roselle Park.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes from the August 23 2004 were approved by unanimous consent.

**CORRESPONDENCE NOT RELATING TO A MATTER REPORTED ELSEWHERE
IN THESE MINUTES**

Received - attached letter of September 1, 2004 from Deputy Attorney General Stephen Monson.

Received - attached letter of September 1, 2004 from Somerset County Assistant Prosecutor Joseph V. Rocchietti.

Sent - attached letter of September 9, 2004 to David Brown, 4th Ward Councilman of the City of Rahway.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Chair's Report

Schoen reported that he, Warren and Bell staffed the Monroe Mothers Day OPH event. Stated that 1) rearrangement of the table was "not less inviting" than the prior setup; 2) relatively few surveys were given, probably due to so many children in attendance that kept parents from wishing to undertake the survey. Also reported that Bedminster fair was cancelled and that he inspected the New Brunswick Riverfest on September 19, 2004 and felt that we may wish to set up a booth there next year.

Treasurer's Report

Lehmann was absent.

State Board Representatives' Report

Warren reported that a) the State Board met on Sunday, September 19, 2004; b) that the NJLP Chair is writing to all members urging them to run for General Assembly in 2005; c) candidate Richard "Jay" Edgar is

seeking funds for radio ads; and that there will be an NJLP General Meeting on Sunday, November 14, 2004, 1 p.m. at Tumulty's Pub, New Brunswick.

Paff agreed to write to NJLP secretary to learn the status of the LPCNJ's "dues share" payment.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recruitment

No report other than what was covered in the Chair's report.

Activities/Public Relations Committee

Paff reported that argument on summary judgment pertaining to the party's public record suit against the Middlesex Freeholder clerk and Edison Township would be heard on Friday, September 24, 2004, 9:00 a.m., in New Brunswick.

Schoen reported that he had written to Middlesex County's IT professional about deficiencies in the Freeholders' public web site.

Program Committee

No report.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 17, 2004, 5:00 P.M. at the Lone Star restaurant on Route 22 W, Scotch Plains.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

Open Government Task Force

Paff gave a brief report on the Task Force's ongoing projects.

MUNICIPAL WATCH

Paff v. Perth Amboy - Loitering Ordinance

Paff reported that nothing on the Perth Amboy Council's meeting agendas reflect any activity on the loitering ordinance.

Nuisance Ordinance - Cranbury

Paff suggested that a personal presentation to the Health Department or Township Committee might be necessary in order to get a response.

Nuisance Ordinance - Edison

Nothing further. All correspondence has been ignored.

Nuisance Ordinance - Franklin

Paff reported on his argument before the Franklin Municipal Court on Thursday, August 26, 2004.

Letter to Prosecutor RE: Franklin "Interference with police" ordinance.

Two letters received -one from the County Prosecutor's Office and one from the State Attorney General. Both stated that no help can be rendered.

Lawsuit - Edison Township

Paff reported the summary judgment motion will be heard on Friday, September 24, 2004.

Court Records in Readington

Nothing further.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nuisance Ordinance - New Jersey Department of Health

No further activity.

Prisoner Release - Letter to Ombudsman

No response received.

NEW BUSINESS

Candidates

Lenger played the radio ads developed by the Richard "Jay" Edgar campaign.

Bylaws Changes

No report.

Web site

No further report.

Other New Business

Moved by Paff: "Resolved, that Paul Makar be removed as chair of the recruitment committee." Seconded. Carried.

Business being concluded, the meeting adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

John Paff