

Libertarian Party of Central New Jersey
Meeting Minutes - January 16, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. at Tumulty's Pub, New Brunswick. In attendance were members Brenda Bell, Frank Warren, Barry Allen, Ray Lehmann, Howard Schoen (chair) and John Paff (secretary). Also present was Darian Worden.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes from the November 21, 2004 minutes were read and a sentence within those minutes was corrected to read "Warren announced that he is the Libertarian "coordinator" for www.meetup.com for Middlesex County." Those minutes were approved as corrected.

The minutes from the December 14, 2004 minutes were read and were corrected to show "5 p.m." instead of "4 p.m." as the correct starting time for the January 16, 2005 meeting. Those minutes were approved as corrected.

CORRESPONDENCE NOT RELATING TO A MATTER REPORTED ELSEWHERE
IN THESE MINUTES

Paff reported on the following correspondence (all attached):

- Paff's letter to Lou Stefanelli mailed on November 22, 2004.
- December 1, 2004 and January 6, 2005 letters from Hon. Robert C. Pollock, Jr., with attachment.
- January 17, 2005 letter to Hon. Robert C. Pollock, Jr.
- December 30, 2004 letter to Robert Fazen, Chairman of the Bound Brook Planning Board.
- January 15, 2005 letter to Edison Mayor and Council regarding the nuisance ordinance.
- November 29, 2004 article in the New Jersey Law Journal.
- December 15, 2004 letter to Department of Health and Senior Services
- Undated news article sent by Tony Federici along with his \$25 contribution to the Lawsuit fund.

- Membership application and \$25 check from Anna Marini (not attached).
- December 9, 2004 letter from the Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct.
- December 3, 2004 letter from the Monroe Township Board of Education.
- A January 13, 2005 letter from the law firm of Busch and Busch regarding the Monroe Township Board of Education.
- A December 15, 2004 letter from the law firm of Woolson Sutphen regarding the Far Hills Borough Council.

Moved by Warren: "Resolved, that the January 17, 2005 letter to Judge Pollock is approved for mailing." Seconded. Carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Chair's Report

Schoen reminded everyone that he is not seeking and will not accept nomination for chair at the 2005 convention.

Treasurer's Report

Lehmann reported a \$1,320.47 bank balance and Schoen mentioned that \$150 had been received but not yet deposited.

State Board Representatives' Report

Warren gave the highlights of the January 16, 2005 State Board meeting: Upcoming NJLP Convention, Candidate Support and problems with communication within the party.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recruitment Committee

The NJLP's database for Middlesex, Somerset and Union counties which will be discussed in January 2005 because the meeting environment was not conducive to such a discussion.

Paff reported that he has been contacting members who reside in the towns that the Open Government Task Force has contacted.

Activities/Public Relations

The upcoming "Tax Day," Highland Park Street Fair and demonstrating at the Bridgewater Commons were briefly discussed.

Program Committee

Warren and Lehmann will coordinate to show a video at the February 2005 meeting.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, February 27, 2005 5:00 P.M. at the Lone Star restaurant on Route 22 W, Scotch Plains.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

Open Government Task Force

Paff reported on the Task Force's ongoing projects including Task Force's recent activities in Monroe, Somerville and Plainsboro.

MUNICIPAL WATCH

Paff v. Perth Amboy - Loitering Ordinance

Paff reported that he sued Perth Amboy because they completely suppressed any and all of its executive session minutes dealing with the loitering issue.

Nuisance Ordinance - Cranbury and Edison

Nothing further.

Peace and Good Order Ordinance - Franklin

Paff reported the Township's repeal of the nuisance ordinance. Nothing further on the peace and good order ordinance.

Readington Municipal Court

The January 17, 2005 letter to Judge Pollock was discussed.

Highland Park Loitering Ordinance

Paff announced that he had yet to receive a response from the Borough and will follow up.

Warren stated that he was reappointed to North Plainfield's Environmental Commission and as Alternate #2 to the Borough's Zoning Board of Adjustment for 2 and 3 year terms respectively.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nuisance Ordinance - New Jersey Department of Health

Paff reported that a second request was sent and that no response had yet been received.

Warren led a discussion regarding updates and improvements to the website.

NEW BUSINESS

Paff discussed the January 17, 2005 letter (attached) that he was sending to Franklin's Economic Development Department.

Business being concluded, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

John Paff