

Agenda Nov 7, 2023

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting Agenda
November 7, 2022 at 6:00 PM
Bomber Mountain Civic Center, Rm 108

Minutes October 3, 2023

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
October 3, 2023

Call to Order:

Chair Greg Haas called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

There were no additions to the agenda.

Attendance:

Greg Haas, Mary VanAuken, Lorajane Kessler, Dudley Case, Sharon Case, Lois Petersen, Linda Wilson, Kim McCoy, Vikki Chenette.

Secretary Report:

The Minutes of August 1 were approved and will be entered into the record.

Treasurer Report:

Dudley reported income and expenses for general and scholarship accounts as of 10/1/23, providing a Balance Sheet for filing.

Chair Announcements:

Introduction to Deep Canvass Institute, a proven method to change hearts and minds Virtual Training to be held Tuesday, Oct. 24.

Johnson County Public Library Annual Benefit Auction Around the World is Friday, Nov. 3.

Powder River Resource Council Annual Meeting and Dinner is Saturday, Nov. 4.

Public comment is open for the Bureau of Land Management's proposed bonding policy revisions related to land around Rock Springs ends January 17th. More information can be found at:

<https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/13853/570>

Old Business:

Johnson County Friends Feeding Friends posted a Thank You to JCD on their website on 9/29.

Signage identifying our Adopt-a-Highway areas may be erected in October. Dates for 2024 clean ups are to be determined.

The William D. McIntyre Scholarship committee is planning a film night at Buffalo Theater plus a gift basket raffle to benefit the 2024 scholarship awards. The event would be open to the general public and held Thursday, Nov. 30, with the raffle drawing before Christmas. A motion to approve sponsoring the event and to allocate funds needed to promote and screen the film Meat the Future up to \$350.00 from the Scholarship budget was seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

Greg shared a draft of the new, 2-sided colorful JCD information cards and solicited suggestions.

New Business:

Our next meeting will be held November 7 at 6:00pm.

Upcoming Meetings:

Comms Call on Tuesdays at 7:00pm on 1st and 3rd weeks.
County Officer Round-table Zoom November 7 at 6:00pm

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Meat The Future

Film Night for McIntyre Scholarship Fundraiser. Movie: Meat The Future. The next agricultural revolution is coming to your plate. Meat made from cells, without animal slaughter, will change how we think about food.

We just filled the bags!

Johnson County Friends Feeding Friends wrote up such a nice little piece about us! [Check it out Here](#).

But really, y'all did all the work! We just followed directions and stuffed the bags full! I kept thinking about how excited I would have been to get one of those bags when I was a kid. *Big Smiles*

Thanks, JC-FFF, for the kind words.

Teton Library Hosts Property Tax Discussion

From the “Hey, look what they’re doing over there” Department:

What Can Be Done About Real Estate Taxes?

WEDNESDAY NIGHT – 10/11/2023 – 7:00pm

[Teton County Library’s Swap Meet](#) presents Liz Storer and Dan Dockstader in a discussion with Q&A on this crucial issue. “Increases in property values continue to drive property taxes sky-high in Teton County, making it challenging for many in the valley to continue to live here. Legislators from NW Wyoming, where residents are being hit the hardest, responded by sponsoring successful legislation to expand the state property tax refund program, give counties the ability to implement their own refund program, and put a constitutional amendment on the ballot in 2024 to create greater flexibility in our property tax system. But there are more steps to consider; helping citizens understand Wyoming’s tax policy framework and the tradeoffs and challenges inherent in that framework can help them be effective advocates for this important issue.”

Minutes September 5, 2023

**Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
September 5, 2023**

Call to Order: Chair Greg Haas called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: There were no additions to the agenda.

Attendance: Greg Haas, Lois Petersen, Dudley Case, Sharon Case, Suzi Black, Vikki Chenette.

Secretary Report: The Minutes of August 1 were approved and will be entered into the record.

Treasurer Report: Dudley reported income and expenses for general and scholarship accounts as of 9/1/23, providing a Balance Sheet for filing.

Chair Announcements: Powder River Basin Resource Council requests public comment for the Bureau of Land Management's proposed bonding policy revisions.

Rodger McDaniel was guest speaker at SCDP's annual potluck picnic on 8/12.

RUN WYOMING provides training for potential candidates for elected office.

Old Business:

Lois reported on our Adopt-a-Highway clean-up scheduled for September 16th or 17th.

Having received notice from two different college Registrar offices that our 2023 William D. McIntyre scholarship recipients have enrolled, Dudley mailed each their \$500.00 scholarship award checks. The Scholarship committee will meet soon to consider fund-raising for 2024 awards.

Usage is up at Friends Feeding Friends (FFF) mini food pantry maintained by JCDP volunteers sited at Cornerstone Pharmacy .

On 9/20 at 5:00 pm anyone can join in our turn to help FFF pack food bags for kids to use on weekends.

Strategic Plan work will continue following tonight's meeting. Officers have access to our Strategic Plan Draft via Google Drive.

New Business:

Upcoming Meetings:

Comms Call on Tuesdays at 7:00pm CCC 11/7 at 6:00pm

County Officer Round-table Zoom October 11th

Our next meeting will be held October 3rd at 6:00pm.

Announcements from the floor:

Suzi attended a recent Food Forest event at Thorne Rider Park, Sheridan.

Adjourn

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Red, Wine and Blue

Information about an interesting organization called Red, Wine and Blue. Check it out!

Dr. Mike and Young Dems

A link to a short podcast plus some information about “Rural Youth Vote Fund”. Good stuff!

Letter from Labor

Letter from WDP Labor Caucus Chair.