

# Agenda April 6, 2021

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting

April 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM

via Zoom.us, [register by Clicking Here](#) to receive invitation.

## Agenda

7:00pm Call to order

7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed,  
approve/amend agenda

7:15pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements

Minutes, money, etc.

Notary Public

7:20 Old Business

Elections

Luncheon

Precinct Highlights

7:35 New Business

Groups/Clubs

Book, Movie, Activism

WDP April Trainings

7:45 Announcements from the floor

7:55 Announce upcoming meetings

Next Monthly Meeting: ???, 2021

Other?

8:00 Adjourn

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# Minutes March 20, 2021 – Elections

Johnson County Democratic Party  
March 20, 2021  
County Officer Elections

Called to order at 10:24am.

**In attendance:** Greg Haas, Lois Petersen, Jim Shell, Bill McIntyre, Mary VanAuken, Mitch Black, Suzie Black, Dudley Case, Tara McClatchey, Mike McClatchey, Linda Wilson, Trudy Wolfe, and Vikki Chenette.

## **Announcements:**

Lois shared facts related to the 2020 election for WY Dems to be proud of.

- 1st time we have a blue county in WY: Teton County
- Teton County now has more D's than R's as registered voters.
- 16 Dem women ran for state house or senate
- 6000+ new registered dems in WY
- More Dems ran than ever before
- 31% increase in voters in 2 years
- 73,445 WY voters voted for Biden
- 13 Dems were elected to town/county positions
- 21 dems were elected to school boards
- Albany County tipped very light blue for the Presidential election.

Guest, Johnson County Clerk Vicki Edelman, addressed the group regarding the voting process here in Johnson County and thanked all of the county workers and poll judges who made election

integrity their number one priority. She noted that the Johnson County Republicans adopted a resolution regarding election integrity that apparently suggested a hint of fraud within this state and country. Several attendees spoke up, having been poll workers and judges, to compliment Vicki and the process in place here in Johnson County that assures a fair election in this community.

### **Election of Officers**

Nominations, seconds and votes were taken to elect the Johnson County Democratic Party Officers. All were elected for two-year terms. The results are as follows:

*Chair:* Greg Haas

*Vice Chair:* Mary Van Auken

*Secretary:* Dudley Case

*Treasurer:* Suzi Black

*State Committeeman:* Bill McIntyre

*State Committeewoman:* Lois Petersen

### **Further Announcements:**

Bill McIntyre announced and invited everyone to an informal Luncheon Forum at noon on Wed., March 24, at the Bozeman Trail Steakhouse – a social event for JC Dems to come together, meet each other, and talk about issues they may have in common. Each person will buy their own lunch off the full menu. Please come and, to help know how many to plan for, please contact Bill McIntyre at 307-267-0775 to reserve a seat.

The next regular meeting of the JC Dems will be on Tues., April 6th at 7 pm. All are encouraged to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 11:33

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# Minutes March 20, 2021 – Precincts

Special Meeting to elect precinct committee people.

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## Minutes March 2, 2021

JC Dems Minutes – March 2, 2021 – Bomber Mt.

**In Attendance:** Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell, (T), and Dudley Case, Sharon Case, Mitch Black, Bill McIntyre and Massimo Haas.

Meeting was **called to order** at 7pm.

[Minutes](#) of the Feb. 2nd meeting were **approved as amended**.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasure reported our current account balances after paying the annual post office box fee and receiving donations.

### **Old Business:**

\* Greg has contacted the WDP and Greybull campaign asking for an account of our \$500 donation to the Greybull campaign; no response on that issue yet.

\* Greg reported that some county parties raise money and award scholarships to graduating HS seniors. He would like the JC Dems

to adopt this practice in coming years, awarding on the basis of essays that reflect principles of the Democratic Party.

\* Mitch reported on his efforts to contact Dems in precinct 03-02. Comments from those he was able to reach via phone included an interest in social events for Dems. Also, one person suggested a message to Liz Cheney thanking her for standing up for democracy as related to the 2020 election.

\* Our County Reorganization Meeting is set for March 20 at 10am, and will be conducted via Zoom as per motion by Lois/Dudley – carries. Please be sure to register at <https://jcdemswyo.org/zoom>. Election by County Central Committee of officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman) will take place at this meeting. Notice of the meeting will be made to the County Clerk (Greg), Buffalo Bulletin (Mitch), and via email and post cards to each registered JC Democrat. Motion to purchase post cards made by Mitch/Jim – carries.

#### **Announcements from the floor:**

\* Lois reported on the Sheridan County Dems Action Group meeting she attended via Zoom. Good discussion format.

\* *HJ0005 (Protecting Wyoming Citizens' Voices)* – a bill proposing an amendment to the US Constitution to allow states to regulate all monies raised and spent for political purposes – is now before our state legislators. Please contact State Rep. Barry Crago (307)267-9789 asking his support for this bill.

\* *Medicaid Expansion* – there is now extra incentive for states to expand Medicaid protection for their citizens. Please read the following article and then contact your state legislators in support of this way to actually MAKE money for the state while providing necessary health insurance coverage to all WY citizens.

[https://trib.com/opinion/columns/martin-if-congress-offers-wyoming-funding-today-will-we-take-it/article\\_14d7abf0-a665-5450-8fb0-ab267b98d88d.html](https://trib.com/opinion/columns/martin-if-congress-offers-wyoming-funding-today-will-we-take-it/article_14d7abf0-a665-5450-8fb0-ab267b98d88d.html)

\* *JC Dems Forum Luncheon* – Please come! Bill McIntyre invites all JC Dems to lunch at noon on Wed., March 24 at the Bozeman Steak House. This event provides a forum for Dems to meet and chat with other Dems. (Meal purchases, paid by each attendee, help support our local restaurants.)

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

**Next meetings:**

[County Party Elections \(Reorganization mtg\)](#) Sat., March 20, 2021 at 10am via [Zoom](#)

Tues., April 6, 2021, 7 pm – at Bomber Mountain and via ZOOM.

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# 2021 Reorganization Meeting

## Johnson County Democratic Party

**For Immediate Release**

Date:

February 10, 2021

Contact:

Greg Haas, Chairman

307-684-7398

[email](#)

**Johnson County Dems Leadership Election**

*Buffalo, WY*– Over the next few months the Johnson County Democratic Party and the Wyoming Democratic Party will be electing leaders to forge the way to 2022 elections.

The Johnson County Party elections will take place on March 20, 2021, online, starting at 10:00am. Invitations can be obtained by registering on the Johnson County Democratic Party's website: <https://jcdemswyo.org/zoom>.

Election of county leadership will take place in March and state leadership in April. In March, those who make up the voting members of a county's central committee, will vote for their county's Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and a State Committeeman and Committeewoman. Any registered Democrat may run for an officer position.

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## **Agenda March 2, 2021**

**Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting**

**March, 2 2021 at 7:00 PM**

***Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Room 108***

***ALSO via Zoom.us, [register below](#) to receive invitation. (the form scrolls in the box)***

### **Agenda**

7:00pm Call to order

7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda

7:15pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements  
Minutes, money, etc.

7:20 Old Business  
    Campaign contributions  
    County Reorg Meeting – March 20, 2021  
    Precinct Highlights  
    MiniVAN  
7:45 New Business  
    County Officer Election (docs)  
7:55 Announcements from the floor  
8:05 Announce upcoming meetings  
    Next Monthly Meeting: April 6, 2021  
    Other?  
8:15 Adjourn

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# Minutes Feb 2, 2021

**JC Dems Minutes – Feb. 2, 2021 – Bomber Mtn. Civic Center**

**In Attendance:**

Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell, (T), and Dudley Case, Sharon Case, and Bill McIntyre with Mitch Black joining the meeting via Zoom.

**Meeting was called to order at 7pm.**

Since online meetings may continue for a while, motion was made by Lois to upgrade our Zoom account to a paid version (on a month to month basis) to allow longer meeting time. Seconded by Dudley. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- \* Jim reported our current balance.
- \* Motion to pay yearly fee for post office box was made by Jim, seconded by Lois, and passed.
- \* Jim reported Mark Bentley (307 Radio) had never heard back

from the Greybull campaign about providing local ads, so did no ads and received no money. Greg will write to Nina Hebert at WDP to find out how the \$500 sent to Greybull by JC Dems for local ads was spent.

\* Minutes of the Jan. 5 meeting were approved as written.

### **Announcements from the Chair:**

\* Greg shared info on various free training opportunities available through the [National Democratic Training Committee](#), [Equality State Policy Center](#), and WY Dem. Party. Dudley recommended we participate in the Member Recruitment and Retention of Local Democratic Parties trainings.

### **Old Business:**

\* Dudley reported on his contacts with Dems in precinct 04-07. He suggested we need to get email addresses for many more of our party members to improve communication. Those he contacted by phone were helpful in providing topics they would like to see explored by the County Central Committee and guest speakers, and were open to precinct-level social gatherings. Dudley will also contact members in precinct 04-08 and Mitch will contact Dems in precinct 03-02. Mitch will report on his contacts at our March meeting, Dudley will report at our April meeting.

\*Continued the ongoing discussion of precinct level involvement. Greg reiterated the structure of the party: Precinct Committee People make up the County Central Committee, who, collectively, elect the officers of the County Party. Without precinct committee people, we're really just skipping the roots, the purpose of the party, really. *[added to minutes when publishing. -Greg]*

### **New Business:**

Our County Reorganization Meeting is set for March 20 at 10am and will be conducted via Zoom. Election of County Officers, who

also comprise the delegation to State Central Committee, will take place at this meeting. Major planning for this event will take place at our March meeting.

**Adjournment:**

\*Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

**Next meeting:**

\* Tues., Mar. 2, 7 pm – at Bomber Mountain and via ZOOM.

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# Agenda February 2, 2021

**Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting**

**February, 2 2021 at 7:00 PM**

***Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Room 108***

***via Zoom.us, find link in email***

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order

7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda

7:08pm Special Business

Zoom upgrade account/expense – Accept motion from the floor to pay for month to month zoom account.

7:15pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements

Minutes, money, etc.

Trainings: WyoDems, NDTC, ESPC

7:20 Old Business

Precinct Questions

Precinct Highlights

Guest speakers for meetings this year (Speaker club?)

Local candidates

7:40 New Business

County Convention:

- [Bylaws](#) – Share those paragraphs pertinent to the County Convention
- Chair will accept motions from the floor to decide time, date and location/method of County Convention.

7:55 Announce upcoming meetings

Next Monthly Meeting: March 2, 2021

Other?

8:15 Adjourn

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# Minutes January 5, 2021

**JC Dems Minutes**

**Jan. 5, 2021**

**Bomber Mt. Civic Center Rm 108**

**In Attendance:**

Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell, (T), and Dudley Case.

Meeting was **called to order** at 7:05 pm.

**Treasurer's Report** Our current balance is \$1593.59

Minutes of the Nov. 4th meeting were approved as amended.

### **Announcements from the Chair:**

\* No one from JC was able to attend WDP's Dec. State Meeting. A resolution which would secure more voter protections was to be discussed at that meeting, but we don't know if it passed.

\* The WDP has invited all the county Chairs to a round table zoom meeting on Jan 26. If there's anything you'd like brought to that table please let Greg know.

\* The WDP makes a podcast and they recently interviewed Greg for an episode on the topic of what JC Dems had done locally in support of statewide candidates. Greg will share the URL for that podcast when it is available. The already complete episodes of the WDP podcasts can be found here: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/1352485>.

### **Business old and new:**

Discussed at length the ongoing efforts of the JC Democrats to stimulate more input and involvement at the precinct level. We all agreed that we need more involvement from local Democrats as well as safe opportunities for county Dems to talk with one another about political and local issues. Greg proposed several ways to elicit a list of concerns specific to each JC precinct and ideas on how to address those concerns at our monthly meetings. Ideas discussed: social meetings rather than business meetings every other month, more 'Get To Know Your Fellow Dems' potlucks like the one held last Jan., backyard socials (weather permitting) possibly organized by precinct chairs with support from the County Committee, short business meetings followed by monthly guest speakers, calls from the County Committee to a rotating selection of precincts about hyper-local concerns which would be highlighted at the following monthly meeting in a targeted precinct report.

Greg and Dudley will develop a proposed short list of questions (2-4 only) to be asked by the County Committee – this list will be brought to the Feb. meeting.

With group meetings a continuing concern due to COVID-19, our Feb. 2nd meeting will be conducted online via zoom. Greg will chair the meeting from Room 108 at Bomber Mountain Civic Center, and anyone who would like help using zoom can join him there. The meeting link will be sent out in the call to meeting notices in hopes that more will participate when offered an online connection via the familiar zoom format.

Jim Shell recommended the book '[On Tyranny: Twenty Lessons from the Twentieth Century](#)' by Timothy Snyder.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Next meeting: Tues., Feb. 2, 2021 at 7 pm – tranceiving from Bomber Mountain via zoom. Happy New Year to ALL!

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# Agenda January 5, 2021

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**January 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM**  
***Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Room 108***

## **Agenda**

7:00pm Call to order

7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda

7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements  
Minutes, money, etc.

7:15 Business, old and new  
social aspects of precincts  
precinct maps

finances

earlier start on ad campaigns

ways to help community as a group

guest speakers for meetings this year

technological alternatives to gathering

local candidates

8:00 Announce upcoming meetings

Next Monthly Meeting: February 2, 2021?

Other?

8:15 Adjourn