

**Minutes**  
**Carlisle Democratic Town Committee Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 20, 2022, 7:00 PM via Zoom**

*Attendance:* Dan Cook, Maureen Cosrove-Deery, Sharmili Das, Kenneth Deitch, David Erickson, Bridget Ferrari, Robert Kearney, Bonnie Miskolczy, Rebecca Morris, Kate Reid, Frank Rigg, Francis Tacardon, Bob Wallhagen, Launa Zimmaro

1. Minutes from 9/15/22

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM. Maureen moved to accept the minutes from 9/15/22, Bonnie seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

2. Midterm elections

Bonnie said that it is now too late to do more post cards, there are still 20 stamped post cards left but we don't have any addresses for them. Maureen said that Nancy has done a tremendous job on the web site and encourages everyone to view it; she says that NH could still use volunteers to go door to door and that the website has instructions for volunteering. There are also still opportunities for doing phone banking. Several people mentioned that they would like feedback of post card effectiveness.

The CDTC is organizing signs at the Carlisle Rotary every Friday but Maureen noted that people can get signs if they want to cover the rotary at other times, she will put them in front of Franks garage if someone should want to use them. Bridget will do a sign-up genius for covering on signs election day, as well as observing.

Bonnie has asked the town clerk to put a sample ballot in the Post Office, as they used to do, but so far nothing has happened, Launa will ask again tomorrow.

Frank Rigg will be at the rotary tomorrow and invites anyone to join.

There was a discussion of the ballot questions. The CDTC unanimously supported questions 1 and 4 and people were still reviewing questions 2 and 3, although there were no arguments against either question, although it was noted that question 2 may not have a substantial effect (currently 75-78% of premiums are spent on reimbursement and question 2 will only raise that to 83%); there was also some reluctance to fully endorse question 2 because some people may be concerned about the possibility of it raising dental insurance premiums. Francis will write a letter to the editor expressing the CDTC's endorsement of questions 1 and 4.

3. Sustainability

Launa reported that the Carlisle Environmental Sustainability Committee has started meeting. Launa Zimmaro and Dan Cook are both on the committee. The Committee is associated with the master plan. The group will work with Susan Thomas, who is the towns' part time sustainability director, they may get some money from the Inflation Reduction Act==Susan is working on a Green Communities Grant.

4. Other business

Bridget would like to do a survey of CDTC members to see what we would like to see, what's going well, and what isn't. Maureen seconded the idea but would like to wait until after the election.

Sharmili brought up the idea of having a table at Old Home Day. Francis doesn't think that is allowed because we are partisan although Bonnie suggested that maybe the Old Home Day rules could be changed. People thought that the rules were a holdover from a very conservative leadership and possibly someone could volunteer to be on the committee. Sharmili will ask Carrie if she would volunteer.

We would like to invite Simon Cataldo to speak to us but it was suggested that it would be best to do this in January or February.

Kate Reid will begin planning for a holiday social.

5. Treasurer's Report

Dan said that we currently have \$1472.61.

6. Adjourned at 9:30, next meeting will be on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.