

Carlisle Democratic Town Committee - Meeting Minutes

19 Oct. 2017, 7:00 pm, Hollis Room, Gleason Public Library

7:10 pm - Bob Wallhagen, Chairman, opened the meeting

Members present - Bob Wallhagen, Bob Luoma, Bonnie Miskolczy, Ken Deitch, Helen Young, Kate Reid, Cindy Schweppe, Nancy Kronenberg, Anne Gibbs, Francis Tacardon, Maureen Deery

Ken - Laurie Aragon is stepping down as Treasurer. After meeting with Ken and Laurie, Rick Oches agreed to become Treasurer. Rick was nominated by Ken and unanimously approved as Treasurer. Transition schedule is to be determined.

Bob W - Discussed dates for the Carlisle Democratic Caucus. 2018 is a nominating convention, so interest may be high. Feb. 3, 2018 at 10:30 am is the planned DTC caucus date.

Cindy - Sally Zielinski & Cindy Schwepes are resigning at end of June as town registrars. Currently the board of registrars is 4 people: 1 Republican, 2 Democrats, and 1 unenrolled. Salary is \$25/year. Anne Gibbs expressed interest.

Bonnie - There are 11 good energy saving bills that are pending on Beacon Hil. Cory Atkins has supported all 11, but Mike Barrett has supported none, preferring not to distract from his own carbon pricing bill. Launa Zimmaro will send out email with information so we can contact Mike Barrett and urge him to support these bills.

The DTC Nominating Committee, tasked with recommending candidates for DTC officers, now has 4 members: Ken Deitch, Nancy Kronenberg, Francis Tacardon, and Bob Luoma.

General discussion of the roles of various organizations (DTC, Carlisle Rising to Action, Indivisible, Our Revolution, etc) and how they overlap, have separate areas of interests, and can benefit one another.

Bob W - Mentioned these upcoming events:

- Greater Lowell Area Democrats (GLAD) Breakfast, Retiring Rep. Niki Tsongas to be honored – Sunday, 10/22, 10:00 am in Dracut
- 3rd MAD Meeting, Sudbury Grange Hall. Sat. 10/21, 9:30 am – Guests: candidates Jimmy Tingle (Lt Gov candidate), Steve Kerrigan (3rd district candidate, Niki's seat)
- 2nd Statewide Indivisible Massachusetts Conference, Nov. 12th at Worcester State

Bob W - Proposed that we return to regular DTC monthly meetings. After discussion, it was agreed to have two meetings November on 1st and 3rd Thursdays (Nov. 2 and Nov. 16) to increase the opportunity for new members to attend, with meetings once a month thereafter. Francis and Maureen will develop the agenda for the November meetings, which will be strictly limited to one hour each.

8:45 pm - Bob Wallhagen closed the meeting

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Luoma, Secretary