

Kootenai County Republican Central Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 26, 2013

Kootenai County Administrative Building, 451 Government Way, Coeur d'Alene, ID

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. The Chairman, Neil Oliver, presided. Sheila Waller was the Secretary. James McMillan was the Parliamentarian.
- II. **Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum:** Forty-five (45) committeemen were present.
- III. **Reading and Approval of Minutes for October 22, 2013:** Rick Currie moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed. The October 22, 2013 minutes are accepted as written.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report:** Doug Baliya presented the Treasurer's report. The report is on file.
- V. **Reading and Approval of Minutes for November 9, 2013 Special Meeting:** John Cross moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve them as written. The motion passed. The November 9, 2013 special meeting minutes are approved.
- VI. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Lincoln Day:** Matt Robinson gave the Lincoln Day report. The Lincoln Day dinner will be held on April 12, 2014. A sign-up sheet was passed around for committeemen to indicate they would like to be involved.
 - B. **Legislative:** Tom Robinson announced there will be three Meet Your Legislators town hall meetings next year. The meetings will be held on a Saturday in January, February, and March depending on the legislator's schedules.
- VII. **New Business**
 - A. **Signing of the Bylaws:** The bylaws that were adopted at the November 9, 2013 special meeting were signed by the Chairman and the Secretary. They were notarized by Tina Jacobson.

*Point of Order by Rick Currie: I'm not sure about this by any means but I do have a concern that we are approving bylaws, or have approved bylaws, at a special meeting that basically was I would call sort of a last minute.

Ruling by the Chairman: The meeting was not a last minute. I gave the proper amount of time as laid out and people that attended did attend the meeting that was called. Point not well taken.
 - B. **Chairman's Remarks:**
 1. Luke Sommer has resigned as Precinct 38 Committeeman.
 2. A statement, entitled "Duty", by Tom Robinson was read by the Chairman.
 3. A town hall meeting will be held December 18, 2013 at 6 pm, at the Worley Grange Hall.
 - C. **Second Amendment Resolution:**

MOTION: John Cross moved the Second Amendment Resolution by adopted by the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee and, if adopted, passed along to our County Commissioners.

The resolution states:

Resolved, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee strongly urges Kootenai County to enact the following Ordinance following the example of the Founders and many States, Sheriffs and local jurisdictions throughout the United States to write:

AN Ordinance, which shall be known and may be cited as the "2nd Amendment Preservation Ordinance." To prevent federal infringement on the right to keep and bear arms; nullifying all federal acts in violation of the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KOOTENAI COUNTY DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Kootenai County Board of Commissioners finds that:

- A. The 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of the United States reads as follows, "A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."
- B. Most federal acts, laws, orders, rules or regulations regarding firearms are a violation of the 2nd Amendment

SECTION 2: PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL INFRINGEMENT OF THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS

A. Kootenai County Board of Commissioners declares that all federal acts, laws, orders, rules, regulations – past, present or future – which prohibitively restrict the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of the United States are not authorized by the Constitution of the United States and violate its true meaning and intent as given by the Founders and Ratifiers, and are hereby declared to be invalid in this county, shall not be recognized by this county, are specifically rejected by this county, and shall be considered null and void and of no effect in this county.

B. It shall be the duty of the Sheriff of this County to take such measures as may be necessary to prevent the enforcement of any federal acts, laws, orders, rules, or regulations which violate the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

SECTION 3 EFFECTIVE DATE

A. This act takes effect upon approval by the Kootenai County Board of Commissioners.

AMENDMENT: Bruce Maddux moved to strike the second WHEREAS and replace it with:
WHEREAS, "A law repugnant to the Constitution is void" *Marbury v. Madison* 5 U.S. 137.

*Point of Order by Bruce Maddux (in response to a motion by Gary Ingram to allow the Kootenai County Sheriff to speak regarding the resolution): Would it not behoove us to just finish this motion pursuant to this that we have going and then the Chair, through his limitless largesse could recognize honorable Mr. Ingram there and let him make his motion. It would move it right along.

Gary Ingram withdrew his motion. The Chairman did not rule on the point of order.

*Point of Order by Bruce Maddux (in response to discussion by Duane Rasmussen): He's not germane to what we're trying to resolve here. He's speaking to the document in it's entirety.

Ruling by the Chairman: Point well taken. Can we please take this back up when we're in discussion over the entirety of the first main motion? Right now we're working on the second whereas. To remain germane to this we need to talk to replacing that second whereas at this moment.

The motion passed.

MOTION: Gary Ingram moved to allow the Sheriff to speak. The motion failed.

AMENDMENT: Barry McHugh moved to strike Section 1 Part B which states:

B. Most federal acts, laws, orders, rules or regulations regarding firearms are a violation of the 2nd Amendment.

The motion failed.

AMENDMENT: Paul Matthews moved to replace “nullifying” with “by declaring null” in the sixth paragraph so that it reads:

AN Ordinance, which shall be known and may be cited as the “2nd Amendment Preservation Ordinance.” To prevent federal infringement on the right to keep and bear arms; by declaring null all federal acts in violation of the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

The motion passed.

MOTION: Barry McHugh moved to waive the reading of the motion as amended. The motion passed.

The motion passed, as amended, on a vote of 40 to 11.

D. Seventeenth Amendment Resolution

MOTION: Matt Roetter moved to bring the resolution forward. The motion is:

Resolved, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee by majority vote, seeks removal of the above stated plank from the Idaho Republican Party Platform; and

Resolved, That each Kootenai County Republican Central Committee individual who is a voting member of the Idaho Republican Party State Central Committee will cast their vote to remove the above stated plank from the Idaho Republican Party Platform; and

Resolved, That this resolution be introduced at the next Idaho Republican Central Committee Resolutions Committee meeting for passage; and

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution will be sent by the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee Chairman to the Idaho Governor, each member of the Idaho House of Representatives, each member of the Idaho Senate, each member of the Idaho Congressional Delegation and the media; and

Resolved, That any candidate seeking any office in the State of Idaho who supports repeal of the 17th Amendment to the United States Constitution will not be endorsed or supported in any manner by the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee.

*Point of Order by Bjorn Handeen (in response to Matt Roetter asking a question of the Committee at large during introduction of the resolution): Aren’t all inquiries supposed to be directed to the Chair?

Ruling by the Chairman: Point well taken. You’ll have to direct all your items towards the Chair.

*Point of Order by Gary Ingram (in response to a video presented by Jeff Tyler): This video has a wonderful information but it’s a promo for a organization that has a certain point of view. The speaker’s <<unintelligible>> to us as testimony from the <<unintelligible>> Tyler where he yielded his time to a third party and these people in this show are a third party opinionators and that’s all opinion and <<unintelligible>> ruled earlier that it would take a

two-thirds vote for Mr. Currie to hear from the Sheriff on the same kind of a situation where you had a third party opinion. My point of order is this is totally out of line and I want it to stop right now.

Ruling by the Chairman: I would rule this out of order. It is out of order for that reason. Point well taken.

A vote was taken on whether to allow the presentation to continue.

The Chairman found that the Committee wanted the presentation to continue.

MOTION: Ron Mendive moved to postpone the motion indefinitely.

*Point of Order by Matt Roetter: As the maker of this resolution I have not had an opportunity to speak to it myself and I would expect that privilege; as you've done in the past every time a resolution is presented the presenter gets an opportunity to present their resolution.

Ruling by the Chairman: Go ahead. Point well taken.

*Point of Order by Tom Robinson (in response to discussion by Matt Roetter): The speaker must address the Chair.

Ruling by the Chairman: Point well taken. Please address just me.

*Point of Order by Kellie Palm (in response to the Chairman explaining the motion takes a majority vote and is debateable): Are we not in discussion? You just cut it off and there's no discussion on this.

Ruling by the Chairman: We have a motion to postpone indefinitely. That motion cannot be debated to try to stop it from coming to the floor. It takes precedence over the motion that is in front of us.

MOTION: Kellie Palm moved for a roll call vote. The Chair found this motion to be a call for the question since the Committee was in discussion. Therefore, the motion was voted upon as a call for the question. The motion passed.

MOTION: Rick Currie moved for a roll call vote. The motion passed.

Roll Call Vote on the Motion to Postpone Indefinitely

Voting Yes

District	Precinct	Committeeman	Voted by Proxy	Proxy Holder	Running Total
2	1	Roger Benoit	X	Melanie Vander Feer	1
2	2	Tom Robinson			2
2	3	Melanie Vander Feer			3
2	4	Clay Theander			4
2	5	Paul Matthews			5
2	6	Tina Jacobson			6
2	7	David Crane	X	Melanie Vander Feer	7
2	12	Bruce Maddux			8
2	13	Jennifer Locke			9
2	14	Jeannine Frisque			10
2	16	Ruthie Johnson	X	John Cross	11
2	22	Carrol DeMartini			12
3	23	Gerald Dale			13
3	24	Wendy Medlock			14
3	27	Russell Lewis			15
3	28	Bob Whitehead			16
3	29	Bryan Crabtree			17
3	34	Carol Goodman			18
3	35	Agnes Kane			19
3	36	John Cross			20
4	39	Jacquie Mayo			21
4	40	Barbara Hedden			22
4	42	Allan Richardson			23
4	45	Jim Brannon			24
4	52	Bjorn Handeen			25
4	53	Matt Robinson			26
4	55	Jeff Ames	X	Jim Brannon	27
4	62	Chad Ross			28
3	63	Tony Wisniewski			29
3	64	Jeff Tyler			30
3	65	Ron Mendive			31
3	66	Doug Balija			32
3	69	George Mitchell			33
		Youth Committeeman Dirk Mendive			34
		Secretary Sheila Waller			35

Voting No

District	Precinct	Committeeman	Voted by Proxy	Proxy Holder	Running Total
2	15	Kellie Palm			1
2	18	Matt Roetter			2
2	19	Duane Rasmussen			3
3	26	Fred Ostermeyer			4
3	30	Larry Gilman			5
3	31	Richard Houser			6
3	33	Betty Ann Henderson			7
2	41	Barry McHugh			8
4	48	Gary Ingram			9
4	49	Rick Currie			10
4	54	Sharon Culbreth	X	Bob Hollingsworth	11
4	58	Sharon Kearns			12
2	61	Bob Hollingsworth			13
2	70	Andrew Whipple			14

Voting to Abstain

District	Precinct	Committeeman	Running Total
3	10	Neil Oliver	1

The motion to postpone indefinitely passed.

Adjourn: 9:05 PM

Minutes prepared by Sheila Waller, Secretary

KCRCC Secretary