

Republican Party of Sheboygan County
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2017

Chairman Dennis Gasper called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were: Dennis Gasper, Darryl Carlson, Judy Gasper, Carmen Dolson, Paul Gruber, Art DeJong, Pat Schutt, Al Jante, Kevin O'Brien, Rep. Terry Katsma, Rep. Tyler Vorpapel, and Congressman Grothman's staff member, Al Ott.

Secretary Judy Gasper distributed copies of the June meeting minutes, which had also been emailed to committee members. There being no additions or corrections, Paul Gruber made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed, Carmen seconded the motion, motion carried.

Judy Gasper reported that our membership is 196, unchanged since the June meeting.

On July 6th, a meeting was held at our headquarters on the subject of NOAA's proposed marine sanctuary. There was a vigorous discussion, and the meeting made the front page of the Sheboygan Press. We are not planning any future meetings at this time.

The August Golf Outing was discussed. Carmen Dolson will send out a Constant Contact reminder. A featured speaker hasn't yet been secured, but our local legislators will be present.

Darryl Carlson's idea for a business-card type handout for parades was discussed. Someone questioned if we had enough parade volunteers to hand these out. There wasn't a consensus on this handout; Darryl said he will have some made up at his expense.

Rep. Katsma stated that his brother-in-law's fire truck will be available for the remaining parades. We will be participating in the Holland Fest, Brat Days, and Random Lake parades. Al Ott requested volunteers for Congressman Grothman's unit in the upcoming Howards Grove parade; a Constant Contact will be sent out requesting volunteers.

Chairman Gasper is working with Lori Weinhold on plans for our Sheboygan County Fair booth. He would like to have a \$400 budget to spend on stickers, hats, etc. Some of these items would be sold; we will also have jars that people can put quarters in to register their opinions.

Our Corn Roast is scheduled for September 21st; we will need the invitation ready to hand out at the County Fair.

Since the Golf Outing is taking place on our regular meeting night, our August meeting date was changed to Monday, August 7th.

Legislative updates were presented. Al Ott, speaking for Congressman Grothman, stated that the Congressman has two resolutions, one on how welfare discourages marriage, and the second against persecution of Christians overseas (this has bipartisan support). The federal budget and his prospective 2018 opponent being sighted in the district are two other concerns. Rep. Katsma and Rep. Vorpapel spoke about transportation holding up the budget. The Assembly wants taxes and/or fees and less borrowing; the Senate is resisting this approach.

There being no further business, Paul Gruber made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Darryl Carlson, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Gasper, Secretary