

HOT SPRINGS COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 5th, 2025

Welcome & Introductions 20 in attendance. 1 new Called to order at 6:03

Dale gave opening remarks

Pledge of Allegiance

Silence Phones Please

Birthdays: None Recorded

Approval of the MONTHLY 2025 Meeting Minutes - October

Motion Kim H, John A seconds. Passed unanimously

Pass the Hat

Business:

Secretary's Correspondence Report

December Ad - Georgeanne. Deadline 11/20/25

Next meeting date is 12/3/25

Sign up sheets for the parade. Georgeanne proposes we have a working meeting. Kim H seconds. Kim B suggests we use the ad for the Christmas Party. Friday December 12, potluck 6pm.

Parade float building as the Lazy Fox. 6pm 12/3/25 536 Arapahoe, next meeting. Georgeanne moves to change next month's meeting, change ad to reflect the Christmas party. Marilyn seconds.

Treasurer's Report

This month we had a CER donation for \$200. 4 ActBlue donations. \$2565 to start. Wrote one check to Thermop Fire \$100. COH \$2798.36.

Discussion and reports from committees

1. Strategic Plan

- a. Be visibly here for good in the community and promote 2 parties at elections
- b. Value 3 diversity
- c. Value 4 respect
- d. Value 5 Freedom
- e. Goals, recruit 20 new volunteers, 5 new donors, host 6 events. Win 5-7 seats in 2026.

2. Communications committee Dale, Georgeanne

- a. Monthly engagement sessions
 - i. Looking for a 3rd method of communication. A system called mobilize. The state presents and allows us to schedule meetings, who attends, and sends information to members. We already use VoteBuilder. Janice will take time to learn VoteBuilder.
- b. Mobilize Kim B will be the host.
- c. The website is up and running. Dale is doing regular maintenance. The monthly calendar is going to be updated regularly.

3. Elections Committee

- a. Grass roots meetings. Great short network. Goal: serve 5000 meals before 2028. 5-530 eating and getting to know each other. Then lightning round education. Text for donations. Monthly quick action idea
- b. CER The house is on fire but it hasn't been built yet. Deep canvassing ourselves asking for help.
 - i. Neighborhood Leadership Program trains to canvas neighbors.
- c. Elections Committee John A "not all elections are the same". Lots of people that haven't voted, voted for the first time. Give people a choice. CER will pay filing fees.
- d. Hand Count report Georgeanne meeting for hand count vs machine count. Nationwide coalition ran by an election challenger. Brent Bien invited him. Want hand count as a backup audit. Direct language for DOGE to help manage elections.
- e. Open offices in 2026 (handout).

Old Business

- 1. October 18th No Kings Day
 - a. Washakie county or Park County
 - b. Decentralized protest? A couple at different locations.
 - c. Communication commit will share time and location.
 - d. The secretary will subscribe to neighboring counties' email lists.
- 2. Christmas parade
 - a. What do we want to hand out? Potatoes have been suggested. Motion made by John A not to exceed \$200, John F seconds. Motion carries unanimously.
 - b. Dec 6th. Ad hoc committee. Kim and John offered a truck and trailer. RSVP to Dale. Motion to spend \$250 on 10 \$25 gift certificates. Motion by Jane, Larry seconds. Passes unanimously.
 - i. Robin will get the bucks from Georgeanne
 - c. Georgeanne and Maryiln and Kim B will join the committee.
 - d. Must sign up through the Chamber. Jane will sign us up. Theme "Building Together".
- 3. Christmas party
 - a. Georgeanne and Larry, 12 of December.
- 4. Highway cleanup two miles have been done. Need to do it one more time before we get the sign. 11 people in attendance. Will do again in the Spring.
- 5. Nov 8th HS, Washakie, Big Horn counties meet with State Legislators in Worland
 - a. Has been postponed due to private family activities.
 - b. November 8th, 2pm the new date. Worland Community Center, 1200 Culbertson.
 - i. Food Signup?? Expecting 50 people

New Business

- 1. Food Pantry
 - a. Judy Carswell has asked for money for the people for people

program. Wyoming Hunger relief program, River of Life, messias mall, people for people. Vouchers will be provided. Thanksgiving baskets. \$65 per person. Pinnacle bank and CB&T. They are collecting blankets. Do we want to donate? Motion to donate to P4P. Kim moves to donate \$500. Marilyn seconds. Donation to the church in the name of P4P. motion carries

- b. Optics of the SNAP issue that we can affordably address
 - 2. Bylaws and platform committee by March-April
 - a. Prep for the next election, and it has to be submitted to the state. Make our bylaws reflect our governing values.
 - 3. SCC Report
 - a. Janice “exceeding my expectations.”, John “struggle to fill caucus positions” New caucus. Very well attended. New slate of people.
- Next Meeting - December 3rd, 6 pm, Lazy Fox