

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 Marylin 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