

LPWI Executive Committee meeting  
10/18/2003  
Ambrosia Pub & Grill, Amherst

Meeting was called to order by Chair Ed Thompson.

Roll call showed Ed Thompson - chair, Craig Mohn - treasurer, Bob Collison, - past chair, Jim Sewell, - Dist 1, Ben Masel - 2nd, Paul Kitzman - 3, Mike M - 4th, Mike McKenna -4, Tim Krenz - 7 and alternates Adrian Augustine - 2, Jim Maas -7.

Absent were Jim Mueller - vice chair appointee, Dave Howard - 5, Nick Piergrossi -6, Brian Pitlik, - 8, Robert Haynes - at large.

Guests: Rolf Lindgren, Tom Ender, Julie Cordry, Roy Leyendecker, Dan Goldman, Ben Malliet.

Treasurer gave his report, attached.

Collison noted that membership stuff not going out.

Minutes were approved are printed and corrected.

Rolf Lindgren notes that he didn't write letter about the Doyle recall but the California recall.

Chairs report: Spoke about Quality in Government forum, attended hearing on concealed carry, small business, and WSPT talk radio (Stevens Point).

Paul and Tim moved to approve the appointment Jim Mueller Vice Chair. Jim Maas asked why Mueller was absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Tim Krenz and Paul Kitzmann to appoint Tom Ender to the At Large representative slot.

Motion by Paul Kitzmann, Jim Sewell to appoint Jim Maas as secretary. Carried.

Ben Masel reported on the Midwest Marijuana fest and upcoming medical marijuana legislation.

#### Committee Reports

##### Communication

The Chair expressed concern about internal communication with committees. There are concerns on the libertarian discussion lists. Ben Masel will discuss concern about ownership of lists with Aaron Bitterman.

##### Website

Paul Kitzmann reported on software requirement and purchase which will make it possible to get it functioning and updated.

## Newsletter

Tim Krenz reported on progress and passed out the latest issue.

## Policy Issues

Taxpayer Bill of Rights Amendment. Collison reported on what has been done. This is a populist issue which we might benefit from. Frank Lasse (R) is pushing it. "Bi-partisan" support possible.

Motion by Ender and Kitzmann to support the Taxpayer BOR issue.

Motion by Kitzmann and McKenna to name Roy Leyendecker to fill the vacant alternate 8th District representative position.

## Legislation

Four officers have testified against Comprehensive Planning/Smart Growth.

## Personal Protection Act

Ed explained his statements on the Concealed Carry bill. He felt he was in better company with the groups supporting the legislation than with those against. Ed read the gun ownership plank from our platform of beliefs which clearly state the appropriate Libertarian position.

Motion by Masel and Ender to conduct an Open Carry Rally in Madison after going through the local permit process.

"Recall Doyle" movement was explained by Rolf Lindgren.

Motion by Masel and Ender to not take a position on recall but to encourage a challenge on the sixty day time limit limit on petitions.

## Finance Committee

Motion by Masel for the Finance Committee to establish a budget for the next meeting and the treasurer be authorized to pay bills up to \$200 for approved projects.

Ed expressed a desire for an inventory of supplies and equipment.

Motion by Masel and Ender to authorize new membership cards to be designed.

## Convention

Dane County affiliate will make arrangements for the state convention.

Report on the presidential primary by Masel. LPWI is entitled to a seat on the primary commission. Ender nominated Masel for that position. Appointed by the Chair, who will provide the necessary paperwork.

## Campaigns

Reported on the Tom Kuester assembly race potential. Smart growth and part-time legislature are the main issues.

Masel reported on the Baby Luke bill (drugged driving). The LPWI was urged to oppose the bill in its current form.

The next Excom meeting will be arranged by the Marathon County Libertarian Party.

Report on the Ellis-Erpenbach Bill given. Motion by Collison and Kitzman to oppose the bill without a 6% rule.

Ben Malliet asked to be replaced as moderator (“dictator”) of the LPWI and Excom discussion lists as he is letting his membership lapse. The Excom changed his mind on the moderator position.

The LPWI sent flowers to the Ed Frami funeral.

Meeting was declared adjourned by the Chair at 4:20.

Respectfully submitted for approval,

Jim Maas, Secretary.

Note: Revised 10/29/03