

**Minutes for the Regular Meeting**  
**The Interim State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York**  
Held on the evening of Sunday August 25, 2019 by Teleconference

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Jim Rosenbeck, Chairman.

Roll call was taken. The Chairman determined majority being present, there was a quorum to proceed.

Present at the meeting:

James Rosenbeck  
Anthony D'Orazio  
Tucker Coburn  
Fred Cole  
Lora Newell  
Michael Arcati  
Mark Glogowski  
Jim Harris  
Michael McDermott  
Steven Becker  
Jason Loveland  
Jeffrey Motta  
Mark Potwora  
Ilya Schwartzburg

**Secretary's Report**

The secretary had no minutes ready to be approved.

**Chairman Report**

The Chairman reported that the last batch of certificates have already been signed that morning (pending approval of the committee) to expedite distribution.

Alyce Auman has resigned her seat for the 8th Judicial District.

Moved by Mr. D'Orazio to refer the vacancy back to the chairs of the counties committees in that district and ask them to report back to the ISC within a month. Seconded by Mr. Potwora. The motion passed unanimously.

**Interim County Organization (ICO) Outreach Report**

Mr. Potwora moved to charter Broome County. The motion passed.

Mr. Potwora moved to charter Fulton County. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Candidate Vetting Committee Report**

Mr. D’Orazio moved to issue certificates of nomination to the following candidates from counties without ICOs:

Doug Beaty - Warren County Supervisor at large Town of Queensbury

Paul Quince - Conesville Town Clerk, Schoharie County

Dayton Carpenter - Throop Town Supervisor, Cayuga County

Stephen C. Healey - Schenectady County Sheriff

David Fite - New York City Council, 45th District, Brooklyn County

Michael Paestella - Minetto Town Council, Cayuga County

Kevin G. Van Allen - County Court Judge, Livingston County

Teresa Kenny - Orangetown Supervisor, Rockland County

Lora Newell, Sharon Town Board, Schoharie County

Wilson P. Wells – Legislature District 14, Otsego County

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue a certificate to the following candidate, already duly nominated by the Erie County ICO:

Scott Joseph Wilson Jr. - City of Buffalo Comptroller, Erie County

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Rensselaer County ICO:

Philip J. Danaher - Rensselaer Family Court Judge, Rensselaer County

Kevin J. Engel, East Greenbush Town Justice, Rensselaer County

Rodney G. Wiltshire Jr. - Mayor of Troy, Rensselaer County

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Monroe County ICO:

Meredeth Vacca - Supreme Court 7th District (Also approved by Ontario County)

Michael L Dollinger - Monroe County Court

Sandra J Doorley - Monroe County District Attorney

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidate, already duly nominated by the Ulster County ICO:

Vince Prior, Town of Hardenburgh Councilman

David Clegg – District Attorney

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Genesee County ICO:

Colin McAllister – Genesee Legislature District 6

Deborah Kerr Rosenbeck – Batavia City Council Ward 3

Josiah Berkemeier – Bethany Town Council

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Orange County ICO:

Timothy P. McElduff – Orange Surrogate Court Judge

Torrance Harvey – Newburgh Mayor

Scott M. Manley – Newburgh Town Council

Brian Maher – Montgomery Town Supervisor

Dwight Warrington Jr. – Montgomery Town Council

Denise Quinn – Wawayanda Town Supervisor

Edward A. Diana – Wallkill Town Supervisor

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Broome County ICO:

Giovanni P. Scaringi – Binghamton City Council District 1

Sophia Resciniti – Binghamton City Council District 2

John Cordisco – Binghamton City Council 4th District

Lawrence W. Coppolo – Endicott Mayor

Jason T. Ellis – Vestal Town Council

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Niagara County ICO:

Rebecca J. Wydysh – Legislature 2nd District

Mark J. Grozio – Legislature, 3rd District

John G. Accardo – Legislature, 5th District

Dennis F. Virtuoso – Legislature, 6th District

Erik A. Herbert – Legislature, 7th District

Richard L. Andres, Jr. – Legislature, 8th District

Randy Bradt – Legislature, 9th District

David E. Godfrey – Legislature 10th District

David J. Mongiello – Legislature 12th District

William Keith McNall – Legislature 13th District

Robert M. Restaino – Niagara Falls Mayor

Kenneth M. Tompkins – Niagara Falls City Council

Alicia M. Kenyon – Niagara Falls City Council

Adam C. Dickey – North Tonawanda Alderman, 1st Ward

Zachery S. Niemiec – North Tonawanda Alderman, 2nd Ward

Edward A. Smolinski – North Tonawanda Alderman, 3rd Ward

Robert N. Brennan – North Tonawanda Alderman at Large

David Wohleben – City of Lockport Mayor

Luke D. Kantor – City of Lockport Alderman Ward 2

Ellen Schratz – City of Lockport Alderman at Large

Sue A. Mawhiney – Town of Lockport Treasurer

William E. Geiben – Lewiston Town Council

Jason C. Meyers – Lewiston Town Council

Amanda J. Irons-Rindfleisch – Pendleton Town Council

David A. Leible – Pendleton Town Council

Kathy Harrington McDonnell – Wheatfield Town Clerk  
Shane Gustafson – Cambria Town Supervisor  
The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Suffolk County ICO:

John Cook – Legislature District 1  
Rudy Sunderman – Legislature District 3  
Maria D. Vidal – Legislature District 9  
Thomas Cilmi – Legislature District 10  
Christopher G. Connors – Legislature District 15  
Karen Wilutis – District Court Judge  
William Groh – District Court Judge  
Andrew P. Raia – Huntington Town Clerk  
Stacy H. Colamussi – Huntington Receiver of Taxes  
Peter R. Nichols Jr – Huntington Town Highway Superintendent  
Patricia A. Shirley – Smithtown Town Council  
Bill Pell – Southampton Town Trustee  
Donald T. Law – Southampton Town Trustee  
Frederick Havemeyer – Southampton Town Trustee  
Eric L. Shultz – Southampton Town Trustee  
Thea Fry – Southampton Town Trustee  
David Gruber – East Hampton Town Supervisor  
David H. Talmadge – East Hampton Town Trustee  
Susan M. Vorphal – East Hampton Town Trustee  
Rona S. Klopman – East Hampton Town Trustee  
Dell R. Cullum – East Hampton Town Trustee  
Stephen Lester – East Hampton Town Trustee  
Bonnie Brady – East Hampton Town Council  
Anthony Portesy – Brookhaven Highway Superintendent  
Dominador V. Pascual – Brookhaven Tax Receiver  
Talat Hamden – Brookhaven Town Council District 3  
Pamela E. Smith – Brookhaven Town Council District 4  
Michael LoGuercio Jr. – Brookhaven Town Council District 4  
Heath A. Broughton – Babylon Town Council  
Walter Angevine – Babylon Town Council  
Ronald D. Hariri – Riverhead Town Supervisor  
Sarah Nappa – Southold Town Council  
Thomas E. Murray III – Islip Town Supervisor  
Joseph Fritz – Islip Town Clerk  
Donovan Currey – Islip Receiver of Taxes  
Jorge C. Guadron – Islip Town Council  
Leigh-Ann Barde – Islip Town Council  
Dorina Barksdale – Islip Town Council  
The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Saratoga County ICO:

David R. Towne – Wilton Town Justice

Kirklin D. Woodcock – Wilton Highway Superintendent

Matthew R. Coseo – Wilton Town Justice

Michele Madigan – City of Saratoga Springs Commissioner of Finance

Phil Barrett – Clifton Park Town Supervisor

Raymond F. O’Conor – Wilton Town Council

Robin O. Dalton – City of Saratoga Springs Commissioner of Public Safety

Stephen J. Mittler – City of Saratoga Springs Supervisor

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Chautauqua County ICO:

Julie Delcamp – Villenova Town Supervisor

Alan Gustafson Jr. – Falconer Village Trustee

Daniel W. Pacos – Pomfret Town Supervisor

Dennis J. Colvenback – Ellington Highway Superintendent

John M. Sedota – Pomfret Town Council

Karen G. Bifaro – Ellington Town Supervisor

Louis F. Pelletter – Hanover Town Council

Thomas J. Wik – Sheridan Town Council

Timothy C Smeal – Jamestown City Council Ward 1

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Westchester County ICO:

Luis Segarra – City of Peekskill Common Council At Large

Donald Scott – Bedford Town Board Member At Large

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated by the Albany County ICO:

Robert Porter - Albany County Executive

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidates, already duly nominated and approved by the Cattaraugus County ICO:

Luke M. Wenke – Coroner

Nicholas J. Kozlowski – Legislature District 7

Mr. D’Orazio also moved to issue certificates to the following candidate, already duly nominated and approved by the Chautauqua and Cattaraugus ICOs:

George Borrello - State Senate District 57

The motion passed unanimously.

### **Fundraising Committee Report**

Mr. Harris reported that they have sent out a fundraising email in August that raised about \$1,400.

### **Platform Committee Report**

Mr. Motta moved to consider the platform at the current meeting.

The rules were then suspended to allow for the Treasurer's report.

### **Treasurer Report**

Ms. Newell reported that the current account balance is \$3,386.56.

The body then considered the platform.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Right to Free Association - Individuals have the right to associate or not associate with one another on the terms of their own choosing, and without interference from third parties. Nor should individuals lose those rights should they choose to band together collectively.”

Motion by Dr. Glowgowski reword the final sentence of the first plank to “Nor should individuals lose their individual rights should they choose to band together collectively.”

Mr. Loveland moved to amend the motion “Nor should one lose their individual rights should they choose to band together collectively.” This was accepted as a friendly amendment.

The motion carried.

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Right of Free Expression - Individuals have the right to express themselves peacefully in whatever form they choose, even if that expression is seen by some as profane or offensive.”

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Right of Conscience - Individuals have the right to live their lives in accordance with their own values and sense of right and wrong, and, except for rare cases of abuse or neglect, the right to raise and educate their children as they see fit.”

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Right to Self-Ownership and Personal Autonomy - Individuals have the right to do with their own bodies whatever they please.”

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Right to Personal Property - Individuals have the right to their own property, and to keep and dispose of that property however they see fit.”

Motion by Mr. Glowgowski, seconded by Mr. Loveland to change the phrasing to “Individuals have the right to their own property, and to keep, to use, and to dispose of that property however they see fit.” The amended motion passed.

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Right to Personal Privacy - Individuals have the right to live free of government intrusion or surveillance into their movements, communications, health, or personal affairs.”

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Right to Freedom of Personal Action - Individuals have the right to be free to live and do as they please, so long as they respect the rights of others to do the same.”

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the following plank:

“The Purpose of the State is to secure these above rights to all persons, all the time recognizing that it is a servant of the people and never its master.”

The plank was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the preamble:

“WE THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK

Recognize that all people, being created equal, are endowed with unalienable rights, among these are the right to life, liberty, property, and the pursuit of happiness. We recognize that if governments must exist at all, their only just purpose is to secure these rights for individuals. While we defer to the national party on issues of national interest, and we defer to our candidates to offer specific policy proposals, we do so only so far as they do not conflict with the following principles:”

Moved by Mr. Glogowski, seconded by Jason Loveland “While we defer to the national party on issues of national interest, and we defer to our county committees to offer specific policy proposals concerning local issues. We do so only so far as they do not conflict with the following principles:”

The amendment was defeated 6-5.

The preamble was approved unanimously.

Mr. Motta moved to approve the entire platform.

The platform was approved unanimously.

The final wording of the full platform as approved is included at the end of this document.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51pm.

The meeting minutes were prepared by Fred Cole.



Platform of the Libertarian Party of New York as approved by a meeting of the Interim State Committee on 8/25/2019:

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While we defer to the national party on issues of national interest, and we defer to our candidates to offer specific policy proposals, we do so only so far as they do not conflict with the following principles:

**The Right to Free Association** - Individuals have the right to associate or not associate with one another on the terms of their own choosing, and without interference from third parties. Nor should one lose their individual rights should they choose to band together collectively.

**The Right of Free Expression** - Individuals have the right to express themselves peacefully in whatever form they choose, even if that expression is seen by some as profane or offensive.

**The Right of Conscience** - Individuals have the right to live their lives in accordance with their own values and sense of right and wrong, and, except for rare cases of abuse or neglect, the right to raise and educate their children as they see fit.

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affairs.

**The Right to Freedom of Personal Action** - Individuals have the right be free to live and do as they please, so long as they respect the rights of others to do the same.

**The Purpose of the State** is to secure these above rights to all persons, all the time recognizing that it is a servant of the people and never its master.