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LPCO and Colorado Republican Collaboration

In early June the Chairman of the Colorado GOP, Dave Williams, disclosed a document from the LPCO Chairman, Hannah Goodman. In the coming weeks and even today that document was met with ridicule and praise. In the wake of these the LPCO board passed a <u>resolution</u> to clarify the intention of the letter and it is found on LPcolorado.org news. A few key takeaways from the resolution are as follows.

- 1. The Board of the LP Colorado WILL NOT be ENDORSING any candidates from any parties other than LPCO or National LP members. Our bylaws expressly forbid us from doing so. Anyone claiming that we will be endorsing non libertarian candidates is <u>lying or misinformed</u>.
- The Board of the LP Colorado WILL NOT be PREVENTING any LPCO
 members from running for any office. The decision to nominate
 candidates for any given race is up to the convention delegates at county
 and state conventions. Anyone who says otherwise is <u>lying or</u>
 misinformed.
- 3. The letter presented by the Chairwoman of the LP Colorado to the Colorado GOP is NOT A BINDING CONTRACT.



One purpose of the Libertarian Party of Colorado is and will continue to be to "provide leadership and direction for the Libertarian movement in Colorado." We are also responsible for, "attracting, nominating, and promoting professional, serious Party candidates for political office." We have slowly gained ground in many elections and have won 3 seats within the past year. To do this we must be strategic in how we promote our candidates. Currently the DNC has multiple PACs and Super PACs that promote their cause and we cannot financially compete with them. Some would ask about the GOP; however, the DNC has maintained control of a majority of Colorado politics for over a decade. The GOP has lost its power and their membership has spoken out and elected Dave Williams as their Chairman.

Some would say we should not trust the GOP, and I would agree with them. However when someone firmly proclaims, "Taxation is theft" a conversation is granted. No one can guarantee our collaboration will work, but what is apparent is that Colorado citizens have been losing their rights. We have two choices: let the DNC maintain control or find friends and reclaim our rights. The LPCO board has been elected to further liberty within Colorado and the only way to do that is to make new friends and by doing so increase our influence.

- by: John Lockamy

Aron Lam Mayor of Keenesburg, CO



I first met Aron at a local restaurant in Denver Colorado. Unlike many politicians he was very friendly and approachable. Not like the typical "kiss the baby" for the vote type but like a real individual. He was someone like me and someone I could sit down and have a conversation with. He was very honest in what he wished to accomplish and his record as Mayor of Keenesburg speaks for itself. Let's hear from Mayor Lam and what he desires and what he has done for his community.



My name is Aron Lam and I am the Mayor of Keenesburg, CO and a proud Libertarian. I was elected in November 2022 beating the long-time incumbent with 60.2% of the vote and I successfully campaigned for ally Board candidates, of which, 3 out of 4 were elected.

In my relatively short time as Mayor I am very proud of several pro-liberty accomplishments. I was able to introduce, and the Town Board passed, a new ordinance that removed the prior "strict prohibition" on the sale of backyard chicken eggs, improving the food freedom of our residents. I was able to introduce, and the Town Board passed, a resolution repealing the Covid Disaster declaration and associated emergency provisions, which were followed for a very short time in practice in Keenesburg. I was able to introduce, and the Town Board passed, a resolution declaring support for the preservation of Second Amendment Rights, which demonstrates to our residents and potential residents the values of the Town and the Town Board. I was able to introduce, and the Town Board passed, a resolution strongly opposing SB23-213 which sought to silence the voices of local communities by taking away the right to public hearings on zoning matters and moving zoning authority to the State. Most recently, I was able to introduce, and the Town Board passed, a resolution opposing the upcoming ballot Proposition HH, which trades 10 years of temporary property tax relief for permanent loss of individual TABOR refunds.





Main Street Keenesburg, Colorado

Keenesburg is a wonderful small town and I hope you visit. Our next event is the Annual 3rd of July Celebration at the SEWC Fairgrounds, where we will have an amazing selection of food trucks in addition to bouncy houses, balloon artists and face painting for the kids. Not to mention what is one of the best Fireworks displays in Colorado. I hope you join us!

In closing, don't let anyone tell you Libertarians cannot get elected or if they do, they will be ineffective. I am proof to the contrary and strongly encourage you to consider running for municipal elected office where we absolutely can when and have a major impact.

You can follow Mayor Lam on Twitter <u>@Aron_Lam</u>, you can also travel to Keenesburg yourself and see his community. The Independence Day festivities on the 3rd of July are sure to be fun for everyone.



Place Your Business Here

Do you own a business or offer professional services and want to let Colorado Libertarians know about it? Contact me at membershipdirector@lpcolorado.org. For a small donation you can let everyone who receives this Newsletter know about your business and help LPCO advance liberty throughout Colorado.

Local Events

LPCO Board meeting

Location: Independence institute 727 E 16th Ave, Denver CO 80203 July 10 2023 at 7PM

3rd of July Celebration

Location: SEWC Fairgrounds 7758 Co Rd 59, Keenesburg, CO 80643 July 3, 2023

Starting at 6pm with Fireworks at Dark. Celebration at the SEWC Fairgrounds where there will be an amazing selection of food trucks in addition to bouncy houses, balloon artists and face painting for the kids. Not to mention what is described as, "one of the best Fireworks displays in Colorado."



Libertarian Party of Douglas County

https://www.facebook.com/LPofDouglasCounty

Location: Wild Blue Yonder Brewing Company 519 Wilcox St Castle Rock, Co

The Libertarian Party of Douglas County holds its social meetings at 6:30pm on the first Thursday of every month! You will find us located at the Wild Blue Yonder in downtown Castle Rock in the Carriage House to the right of the main entrance.

Libertarian or not, everyone is welcome to join us for a good time and a riveting discussion over a drink and some delectable pub style food. These meetings are also a great opportunity to network and find out how you can get more involved in our community.

Liberty on the Rocks-Denver

https://libertyontherocks.org/denver/

Location: Independence Institute 727 East 16th Avenue Denver, Co July 18, 2023

The Case for the Ancestral diet with Chris Knobbe

In the last 150 years our diet has changed dramatically thanks to the industrial revolution and everything that came with it. All cases of chronic diseases have since arisen that were extremely rare prior to this change. And this has gotten even worse in the last 100 years thanks to things like Trans fat and industrial processed seed oils. Dr. Chris Knobbe is coming by to talk about his new book The Ancestral Diet Revolution and to make the case against many of these terrible foods that have become staples of our modern diet.

Aug 16, 2023

Tweeting for Liberty: Social media and the art of shit talking with Forrest Mommy (AKA Jessica Fenske candidate for Arvada City council District 4)

Social media has become a powerful platform for social change both good and bad. Local resident Jessica Fenske AKA Forrest Mommy gained dramatic attention in the last year with her vocal takes on social media related to all things liberty and lockdown and her candidacy to run for local office. That attention eventually provoked a local journalist to dox her on Twitter. Come join us as Jessica tells us some of her stories and strategies for advancing freedom on social media.



Liberty Toastmasters

https://liberty.toastmastersclubs.org/

Location: Independence Institute 727 East 16th Avenue Denver, Co
Improve your public speaking skills. If you're a leader, or just want to do a better job of
promoting liberty, this Liberty Toastmasters group may be right for you. They meet the
first and third Saturday of every month at 10am at the Independence Institute.

Liberty Toastmasters North

https://libertytoastmastersnorth.toastmastersclubs.org/

Location: American Legion Longmont 315 S. bowen St Longmont, Co
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promoting liberty, this Liberty Toastmasters group may be right for you. They meet the
second and fourth Saturday of every month at 10am at the American Legion in
Longmont.

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