

Chautauqua County Libertarian Party
July 7, 2015 Minutes

Present: Andrew Martin Kolstee (TCC), Edward Garrett (Erie County TCC), Sean W. Connolly, Amy Kolstee.

- 1. Discussion on background of establishment of county chapter.
- 2. Discussion on what is needed to establish official county chapter.
- 3. Review of contact list for libertarians in the county.
- 4. Review of statistics of local party affiliation and elections, citing that 76% of local elections in the last two years were run unopposed.
 - 2014 General Election: 13 out of 16 local races were unopposed
 - 2013 General Election: 47 out of 63 local races were unopposed
 - 2 year total: 60 out of 79 races were uncontested or 76%
 - 1996: 74% of registered voters were Democrat or Republican
 - 2014: 66% of registered voters were Democrat or Republican (8% drop)
- 5. Discussion of locations for outreach to grow the party.
 - Chautauqua County Visitor's Bureau has a list of events in the county
 - Events mentioned that could be used for possible outreach.
 - Chautauqua County Fair
 - July 27, 2015 - August 2, 2015
 - <http://www.chautauquacountyfair.org/vendors.htm>
 - Jamestown Labor Day Festival September 2015
 - Busti Apple Festival September 2015
 - Christmas Parade in Jamestown December 2015
 - Celoron Rib Fest June 2016
 - Dunkirk Fireworks July 2016
 - Gerry Rodeo August 2016
 - Lucy Fest August 2016
 - Wine Festival August 2016
- 6. Plans for the future
 - Reaching out to more libertarians in the county to obtain involvement in the party
 - Mailing post cards to notify for August 2015 meeting
 - Decided same place, same time for August 4, 2015 meeting

Andrew Martin Kolstee
Temporary County Chair