

**Minutes of the August 5th, 2021 Meeting of the County Committee
Of the Libertarian Party of Chautauqua County
Held at the See-Zurh House in Bemus Point NY**

Members in attendance:

Andrew Kolstee, Chair, Treasurer
Len Morlock, Vice Chair
Gerrit Cain, Secretary
Bob Peterson
Pat Peterson
Michelle Butman
Dan Steward (online)

Chairman Andrew Kolstee called the meeting to order at 6:53pm

Secretary Report, Gerrit Cain: Minutes approved up to April 2021. May, June, and July are yet to be approved. No motion.

Chair's Report, Andrew Kolstee: July 19th Executive Committee meeting. Jeff Bradley appointed contact for Yates County. \$5000+ raised from fundraiser before the State Committee Meeting. July 26th Executive Committee meeting. Eric Cordova nominated yet came in second to Pat Ford for Region 8 alternate rep. Event insurance purchased. Can be used for fair-type events. Discussion of having a presence for recruitment at next year's Catt. Co. Fair. Possibly in conjunction with Allegany Co.

State Committee Meeting July 18th. 10 vacancies were filled leaving 2. Rules were amended and platform plank was approved but not voted on. September 12th meeting scheduled to focus on the platform. Larger in person meeting for November planned in coordination with Spike Cohen tour.

Ballot access lawsuit. Attorney filed paperwork on July 30. No recent updates.

County affiliate training Aug. 10. More activity on Discord. Less on Facebook.

New Business: Election District representative lost in Jackson Arthurs leaving the party. Enrollment at 269 down from 275. Gained 6 and lost 12. Discussion of factors in recruitment and retention. Welcome letter to new members. Facebook and website events and information need to be updated.

Elections: Gerrit Cain for County Legislator. Good ideas from the "Great State of Upstate NY" town hall. Focus of campaign on more local control through first nullification and non-enforcement of Albany mandates hopefully leading to legislative action. Distinction between myself working in the private sector and Davis as a State employee (school teacher). Networking with the TEA Party and WNY Freedom Seekers.

Liberate Chautauqua outreach to be scheduled soon.

No updates on Legislative Agenda

Discussion of WNY Libertarian Picnic and scheduling of annual convention. Labor Day weekend District 16 campaign event and strategy discussion.

Treasurer's Report, Andrew Kolstee: No income or expenses since May. Motion by Mr. Cain to authorize renewal of freehq.org website at a cost of \$15.08 was seconded by Mr. Peterson. Carried by unanimous voice vote. July campaign finance report was filed online. Bank account changes still need to be done. Motion by Mr. Morlock to accept the treasurer's report was seconded by Mr. Cain and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Cain seconded by Mr. Morlock passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 7:32pm