
LPWC Minutes Aug 10th, 2022

Wednesday, 8.10.2022

Officers

Mark Marasch, *Chair*

Phil Denton, *Treasurer*

Joshua Toms, *Secretary*

Members Present

Jeff Schulthess

Guests Present

None

Meeting Called to Order: 7:11

Agenda and Minutes:

- Joshua Toms makes motion to adopt previous minutes. Phil Denton seconds. Motion carries.
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Officer Announcements

Chair

- I've written a couple articles on gun rights and will continue writing more. All of this will provide the philosophical background and the "how to" of successful sanctuary legislation. The goal is a properly formed gun-rights sanctuary in Warren County. I'm already aware of serious flaws with the approach Clermont county took. Nullification of both federal and state laws is the right thing to do, but it needs to be done correctly to stand up in court without being soundly destroyed the first time it goes in front of a judge.
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- Between my work life getting crazier and executor work that seems to keep growing in scope, I really can't run for chair in the coming election. I need to focus on the next step in my career, but I expect to work some activism, and there will be more on that later.

Treasurer

- I did submit our Warren County BoE filing on time last month and it appears to have been accepted.
- Our neighbors to the south raised approximately \$766 in the first half of this year. We raised approximately \$400 in the same amount of time.
- Our checking account balance is currently \$393.72 as of 8/5/2022.
- Now that our average collected balance is back under \$500, we'll stop getting hit with bank fees.
- Reminder - we are now taking donations online via Anedot and we currently have TWO donors supporting our affiliate on a monthly basis. If you believe in what we're doing, please consider making a recurring donation! Every little bit helps.
- I did make out the check to Jon for the fair booth refund to LPO but we haven't met up yet.
- I plan to create a funding request form to help smooth our processes going forward.
- I will not re-run for Treasurer in September but I don't plan to go anywhere so I'm happy to help the incoming Treasurer with carrying the torch.

Secretary

- SOP altered to reflect the motion ditching "consent agenda" format.

Other Announcements

- (Mark) Our next meeting will take place on the same night that a business meeting would, but it will be a regular convention, rather than a business meeting.
 - If people would like to propose amendments to our constitution or bylaws, please provide them to us no later than noon on August the 15th (this coming Monday) so that we can put them out there 30 days ahead of the convention. Phil has placed the constitution and bylaws on our website and please see any of us officers if you'd like assistance in assembling a proposed amendment.
 - (Joshua) We will also be holding officer elections next month. Nominations must be accepted by the candidate. If the first-person party nominates themselves, it must be seconded.
 - (Mark) Since we are in the "Other Announcements" portion of the meeting, let's open the floor now for anybody who wants to announce that they are

running. You don't *have* to announce right now to run, but we want to provide that opportunity.

- (Phil) Or if you have questions about what the duties of a specific office are or how much time is required, now's the best time to ask since we're all here.
- (any announcements of candidacy follow)
- Get on Signal if you're not already! (Please)
- LPO is starting a new (public) Discord if interested.

Committee Report:

Marketing Committee-

- Thank you to everyone who's filled out the issues survey! If you'd like to see it, let me know.
- Still working on CRM rollout.
- 37 contacts in CRM right now same as last month.
- Honestly I've not done much with social media. If anyone is interested in helping with that, please let me know.
- Web traffic - 73 individual visitors (up 9% month over month). 14 visitors from Google Search (down 22%)
- Top web content:
 - Homepage - 26 unique pageviews
 - Mark's gun rights article - 21
 - /blog/ - 9
 - Ohio HB616 - 7
 - The LPO Platform - 7
- Anyone interested in the marketing committee? If not, that's OK but I don't have cycles for social media other than major announcements. I will focus on practical marketing for you guys - the folks most involved.

Community Outreach-

- Joshua: The time quickly approaches to pull our petition to run for City Council. We will be gearing up for operations to start in earnest soon. Also, I have acquired the document necessary to approach an important tax issue which many Lebanites do not want. It is the reduction of a tax credit for those that pay municipal income taxes to multiple municipalities. This is "ordinance 2016-078" and was enacted in 2016.



New Business

- Proposal for relocation of business meetings by Mary Lee (in absentia). Motion to table by Phil Denton, Jeff Schulthess seconds. Motion carries.

Adjournment: 7:44 pm

Joshua Toms makes motion to adjourn. Phil Denton seconds. Motion carries.