



KOSSUTH COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 23, 2021

The Kossuth County Republican Central Committee met Monday, August 23, 2021, at the Thul Shed, with 14 people in attendance. Wendell Steven welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Donna Steven opened the meeting with prayer and Roger Tjarks led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was a general consensus to approve the minutes of the July meeting which were previously e-mailed to everyone.

Wendell then welcomed Larry Sailer, chairperson of the Franklin County Republican Central Committee. He also serves as the Iowa Republicans 4th District chairperson, which encompasses 39 counties. Larry stated there will be a meeting in Ft. Dodge on September 18 for county chairs and co-chairs. The meeting will be from 10 a.m.-Noon, with registration beginning at 9 a.m. Information regarding the upcoming caucus and the GOP Data Center will be shared. Larry also mentioned that the Franklin County Nation Builder website is functional and working well. This website is very useful for communication purposes.

Ken Clark reported that the Kossuth County Fair Republican Booth was successful and is very thankful for all who helped set-up, staff, and tear down the booth. Suggestions for next year: At the May, 2022, meeting (or even earlier) start discussing the Kossuth County Fair Republican Booth and begin to develop a volunteer list for staffing the booth each day. Also, consider the possibility of offering merchandise for sale, such as t-shirts and other items promoting patriotic themes, etc. As part of the booth display, consider including photos of incumbent Iowa Republicans.

The date for the 2022 Kossuth County Republican caucus is February 7, 2022, 7 p.m. Stacy Besch has tentatively reserved the Burt gym as the location for all Kossuth County precincts.

As Carter Nath will be running for County Supervisor in 2022, a new chairperson is needed for the Kossuth County Republican Central Committee. Wendell Steven offered a motion to nominate Dr. Brent Owen for chairperson, Eldon Jorgenson seconded the nomination and the vote is on hold until Dr. Brent Owen accepts the nomination.

Algona Band Day will be Saturday, October 2, with the parade beginning at 1 p.m. Roger Tjarks has tentatively agreed to pull the float that day. Wendell has invited Governor Kim Reynolds and Lieutenant Governor Adam Gregg to participate in the parade. Discussion was held on items to be distributed during the parade. There is candy available, but it was generally agreed to also purchase items saying "Vote Republican" or items with information about the Kossuth County Republicans printed on them. Wendell and Stacy Besch will communicate regarding the purchase of sticky note pads and/or other items.

Ray Neswold reported that there is a "Carlin for U.S. Senate" Fundraiser, titled, "Passing the Torch of Liberty", on Saturday, August 28, at the Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines, from 10 a.m.-Noon. The cost is \$25 and also appearing with Jim Carlin are David Barton and Dr. Sam Clovis.

Stacy stated that in May she began organizing patriot meetings to help educate people on current affairs and also as a gathering of people who could be supportive of each other during these difficult times. Twelve people attended the first meeting, fifty people attended the second meeting, one hundred for the third, and approximately one hundred twenty-five attended the most recent meeting. The next meeting will be Monday, September 13, at 7:17 p.m. in Burt. All people who believe in faith over fear and want to be more informed and offer support to others, are invited to attend and bring a friend. Similar type meetings are being held in Mason City and Garner and after harvest, there are plans for a regional gathering of all three groups together. People from KIOW Radio in Forest City have been attending these meetings as well.

To e-mail chairperson, Carter Nath, with Kossuth County GOP business, please use this e-mail address: kossuthchaircarter@gmail.com

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Monday, September 27, at the Thul Shed, time to be determined (either 6:30 or 7 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Schenk Hartsock