

## Minutes

### Brown County League of Women Voters

March 13, 2018

Present: Pam Raider, Julie Winn, JoAnne Himebaugh, Shari Frank, Janet Kramer, Jeanne Lager, Tim Clark, Jan Swigert, Heather Nicholson, Clint Studebaker, Ruth Reichmann, and new member Sonja Leerkamp as well as guests Greg Bowes and Christopher Kean (Janet's grandson).

Minutes of February 2018 minutes approved with correction to lighting not lightening.

Treasurer report – Treasurer Jeanne Lager reports Treasury is \$3156.16. Expenses Democrat ad for \$62. Income: \$150 in dues, \$70 in contributions and friend requests.

Correspondence: Julie has submitted roster we have 44 members and 4 friends.

#### Current Business:

Fiscal and Development Study: Julie did appear before County Council to report on our fiscal study. She emphasized key points and stressed that planning is important. Felt she was well received. No discussion on establishment of follow up committee to keep watching ongoing basis.

Primary Candidates' Forum and Questionnaire: Shari has been working on lining up second meeting on April 3 for 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional candidate forum. Democrats seem on board - there has been trouble contacting Republican running against Trey Hollingsworth so may not be able to have republican panel. Date for that forum is April 3<sup>rd</sup>. On April 11<sup>th</sup> will host Judge Candidate, District 2 Commissioner, District 9 Congressional and County Clerk. Also may add democrat race for commissioner to the April 3<sup>rd</sup> because of schedule conflicts. Questionnaires have been sent out.

President's Day: Julie and Joanne report on President's Day with state league held on February 17. Focus was on getting out the vote and partnering with other groups – they had panel on bridging divides and finding common ground – stressed reaching out to schools Jo Ann will look into working with schools.

Annual Meeting: Clint and Heather volunteer to look into pricing at Seasons and BCI – try to keep menu to \$15. Dates targeted either April 30 or May 24. Suggestion to have Beth Mulry as speaker on County Fiscal Issues.

#### New Business:

Newsletter and Website: Not addressed – need to firm up dates of meetings.

Treasurer and Nominating Committee need to have reports in 30 days prior

501©(3) By laws review – Need to change some wording in by laws allow us to be under state umbrella – need to have wording for annual meeting and then send letter to state requesting such.

#### Committees:

Health Dept. – Public input on Septic Ordinance is set for March 29 at 6 pm.

Note from Cathi Rountree offering to lead walk through recently cut Tulip Tree part of Yellowwood. Julie to send to membership.

HCI – Jo Ann and Tim report on forum. Had about 500 responses to survey. Broke into smaller groups to discuss. Broad band was important need to create map. Under place making center for kids and local foods were top responses.

Observer Corps: Heather reports on Council meeting where Julie spoke on 2/20 Auditors report was certified. Also reported on was 2/27 planning work session. Questions of importance Should 5 acre minimums be lowered to 1 acre and should tiny houses be allowed lower minimum square footage from 600 to 240. Decisions were tabled till 3/28 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

Next Board meeting is April 09, 2018, 10 am BC Library.

Pam Raider

Secretary

League of Women Voters of Brown County