

WALKER COUNTY GOP  
MINUTES JANUARY 21, 2014

The January meeting of the Walker County Republican Party was called to order by First Vice Chairman Alan Painter at 6:30 P. M. in the Wallace Building at Lee and Gordon Mills.

Second Vice Chairman Nathan Smith gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Judy Grammer called the roll. Those in attendance were: First Vice Chairman Alan Painter, Second Vice Chairman Nathan Smith, Treasurer Cathie Kelley, Secretary Judy Grammer, Rock Spring Precinct Chairman Sam Bissell, LaFayette Precinct Chairman John Carpenter, Mountain Precinct Chairman Mike Chambers, Chattanooga Valley Precinct Chairman Tina Painter, Armuchee Valley Precinct Chairman James Pope, and Kensington Precinct Chairman Glen Wolinsky by proxy. County Commissioner Bebe Heiskell, Clerk of Court Carter Brown, and Rossville Mayor Teddy Harris were also in attendance. A quorum was established.

Elected officials noted above were recognized. Ken Herron, candidate for U. S. House of Representatives for the 14<sup>th</sup> District was also recognized.

Jim Buckner, newly elected chairman of the Board of Elections gave a report. He said new board member Brian Joyce was in attendance during the testing of the voting machines to be used in the upcoming run-off election.

The treasurer's report was given by First Vice Chairman Painter. He reported we had paid for the use of the facilities for the entire year. Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the treasurer's report.

Secretary Grammer reported the minutes would be posted on our web site as soon as Glen Wolinsky could do so.

Second Vice Chairman Smith reported on the 14<sup>th</sup> District Committee held last Thursday night. He reminded everyone that officers and committee members could not endorse a candidate in a contested race using their title.

First Vice Chairman Painter reported the Governor had signed HB 310 today establishing the dates for the 2014 election cycle. Qualifying for office will be from March 3 to March 7. Early voting will commence April 28. The primary will be May 20. Any run-off elections will be July 22.

Motion was made, seconded and carried to have the elections office conduct qualifying for the School Board races this year.

Under old business, it was noted that Dean Kelley had withdrawn his name to be appointed to the Board of Elections. At a called meeting of the Executive Committee held December 30, Brian Joyce was appointed to replace outgoing chairman Ebeth Edward.

Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the resignation of Chairman Glenn Roberts. Motion was made, seconded and carried to elect a new chairman on February 18, 2014.

Ken Herron spoke on why he wanted to be elected to Congress. He stressed his experience in solving problems worldwide.

Candidates for the run-off election for House District 2 seat in the Georgia Legislature had been invited to speak. Steve Tarvin said he was extremely frustrated to learn that a letter had gone out casting aspirations on the profession of one of the candidates and said he would like to find out who had originated it. He also said he had been a lifelong Republican, even in the third grade had talked about Goldwater to his class. A question and answer period followed. Neal Florence was not in attendance.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that we adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P. M.

Judy Grammer,  
Secretary