

Waupaca County Democratic Party Membership meeting

Saturday , October 11, 2025, 401 So. Bridge St, Manawa

Present: Diana B, Dave K , Dorothy S, Janice C, Judy C, Maggie T, Phil W, Dean S, Bob C, Stu W, Barb K Zoom: Helene P, Tracy W, Dave and Sandy P

Call to Order at 10:03 by Chair Stu W, followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the agenda with additions was made by Diana, seconded by Phil, motion carried.

Barb K, Secretary, read that report. Motion to approve by Diana, seconded by Phil, motion carried.

Tracy gave the treasurer's report. We have a balance of \$4,027.46. There are outstanding bills for the resurfaced roof and interior ceiling tiles. Motion made by Phil, seconded by Dean to accept her report. Motion carried.

Tracy also gave the technology report which included reconciled membership with DPW, event postings, and a major overhaul of the website which she pulled up to show us the changes: new/updated background color, photo on homepage, menu bar, an events page, a gallery of photos page, an elections 2026 menu with sub-menus, added candidates, standardized text style , updated and tested tablet and phone app, set header and footer for all pages....awesome job, Tracy.

In the absence of Bill H, Tracy gave the membership number 128. Chair Stu presented his report:

A) Manawa Funfest update: 32 buttons were handed out, popcorn was served and “yes” recommended we do it again and in Dec if they have an event.

B) Waupaca Halloween October 24th, 4-6 pm: 3000 pieces of candy are purchased to hand out and volunteers are needed

C) Candidate Coordinator Phil Wenckus: Phil has volunteered for the new position to coordinate Meet and Greets, talk with candidates and their staff, and will post events on calendar . Discussion followed whether to have candidates pick the place, date and time, or if the membership will guide the timeline. To be determined.

D) Poll workers: poll workers are needed. Discussion followed as to the role and training of poll workers and poll observers. Please notify Stu if you know of someone who would be interested.

E) Roof update: Stu, Dave, and Bob repaired the rubber roof for the cost of sealer, they also replaced damaged insulation and interior ceilings tiles. Thanks, guys!

F) Ongoing: recycle ink cartridges , signs, and rechargeable batteries. Bring food pantry items.

At 11:01 our speaker, Justin Malueg, arrived. He is running as an Independent Candidate for Waupaca County Sheriff. His motto is : People over Politics. He spoke and answered questions for an hour. For more information, please go to: Maluegforsheriff.org, his Facebook page (Officer Justin), the Badger Project, and/or news sites that have announced his candidacy.

The meeting continued with new business: 1)Judy reported from the Let's Do Something group. There will be a rally in Waupaca Saturday , October 18th, 2-3 pm for the nationwide "No Kings". Marshalls have been trained and will be there. The group is nonpartisan therefore their meetings cannot be held at our office. The next meeting will be at the Waupaca public library on Wednesday , October 22nd, 5-7 p.m. to learn more about the One Big Beautiful Bill which affects rural health, farmers, ACA, Medicare, and Social Security, followed by the challenge of coming up with action items.

Next meeting date: November 8, 10 am, office in Manawa Motion to adjourn at 11: 38 by Diana , seconded by Judy, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted Barb Kobs Secretary