

Superstition Mountain Republican Club

Minutes of Statutory Meeting

January 10, 2012

A General Meeting of the Superstition Mountain Republican Club was held on January 10, 2012 from 6:30-8:00PM at the Feed Bag Restaurant.

Officers Present:

Charlie Fox, President
Anne Fesler-Butts, Vice President
Art Fesler-Butts, Treasurer
Kelli Caplette, Secretary

Officers Absent:

N/A

Also Present:

Mark Hawthorne, Webmaster
General Members

Guest Speakers

Barbara Manning
John Fillmore, Representative of LD23 currently running for re-election (LD16 is new District)
Judy Novalsky, candidate for Representative of LD 22 (LD16 is new District)
Todd House, candidate for District 5 Pinal County Supervisor
Kelly Townshend, candidate for Representative of LD22
Doug Coleman, Apache Junction City Councilman

Call to Order

Charlie Fox called the meeting to order. Doug Coleman led the group in a prayer. Tom Novalsky led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Report-Kelli Caplette

The Minutes from the last meeting on November 8, 2011 were read and approved.

Treasurer Report-Art Fesler-Butts

The 50/50 Raffle was won by Mark Hawthorne.

Account Balance: \$1,707.06

The Treasurers Report was approved.

Announcements

Membership Dues are to be given to Anne Fesler-Butts. Anne will also issue receipts.

Barbara Manning gave information on the Lincoln Day Luncheon on February 11, 2012. The Luncheon will be held at the Sun City Anthem Ball Room from 10-2. The cost to attend is \$25.00.

There will be a mandatory Precinct Committeeman Meeting on Saturday, January 14, 2012. If you are unable to attend please send your Proxy.

Guest Speakers

John Fillmore, Judy Novalsky, Todd House, Kelly Townshend and Doug Coleman spoke about the office they were running for and why. The speakers then had a brief brainstorm session on how they could work together.

Adjournment

Charlie Fox adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Anne Caplette
Secretary

Superstition Mountain Republican Club**Minutes of Statutory Meeting**

February 14, 2012

A General Meeting of the Superstition Mountain Republican Club was held on February 14, 2012 from 6:30-8:00PM at the Feed Bag Restaurant.

Officers Present:

Charlie Fox, President
Anne Fesler-Butts, Vice President
Art Fesler-Butts, Treasurer
Kelli Caplette, Secretary

Officers Absent:

N/A

Also Present:

Mark Hawthorne, Webmaster

General Members

Guest Speakers

Dan Campbell, Apache Junction Fire District Chief

Doug Wolf, candidate for Pinal County Assessor

Call to Order

Charlie Fox called the meeting to order. Judy Novalsky led the group in a prayer. Charlie Fox led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer Report-Art Fesler-Butts

Account Balance: \$1,912.06

The Treasurers Report was approved.

Announcements

Membership Dues are to be given to Anne Fesler-Butts. Anne will also issue receipts.

Anne Fesler-Butts has made a Suggestion Box. Please drop in your suggestions for guest speakers, topics and so forth. The box will be available at all meetings.

Art Fesler-Butts reported on the Goldfield Road Cleanup; they were able to take care of that stretch in less than 2 hours. Art thanked those who came out to help.

The annual Spring Fling hosted by Todd and Tuni House will be on March 31st. The flyer will be posted on the SMRC website.

Guest Speaker next month will be Wil Cardon, candidate for US Senate.

Guest Speakers**Dan Campbell, Apache Junction Fire District Chief**

Chief Campbell spoke about what he is doing to reduce spikes in the Fire District Budget. The District is accepting applications through 2/17 for Deputy Fire Chief.

Douglas Wolf, candidate for Pinal County Assessor

Mr. Wolf spoke about how he plans to bring transparency and simplicity to the County Assessor's Office. He also hopes to make room in the budget to have a satellite office in Apache Junction.

Adjournment

Charlie Fox adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Anne Caplette
Secretary

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March 13, 2012

A General Meeting of the Superstition Mountain Republican Club was held on March 13, 2012 from 6:30-8:00PM at the Feed Bag Restaurant.

Officers Present:

Charlie Fox, President
Anne Fesler-Butts, Vice President
Art Fesler-Butts, Treasurer
Kelli Caplette, Secretary

Officers Absent:

N/A

Also Present:

Mark Hawthorne, Webmaster
General Members

Guest Speakers

Paul Babeu, Sheriff of Pinal County and candidate for US Senate
Steve Henry, Chief Deputy of Pinal County and candidate for Pinal County Sheriff

Call to Order

Charlie Fox called the meeting to order. Beth Holgren led the group in a prayer. Charlie Fox led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer Report-Art Fesler-Butts

Account Balance: \$1,966.06

The Treasurers Report was approved.

Announcements

Membership Dues are to be given to Anne Fesler-Butts. Anne will also issue receipts.

The annual Spring Fling hosted by Todd and Tuni House will be on March 31st. The flyer will be posted on the SMRC website; Todd also has flyers.

Todd House reported on the most recent AJ Fire Board meeting; Fire Chief Dan Campbell will be leaving. His date of departure has not yet been determined. Mesa's Fire Chief will be the acting Fire Chief once Chief Campbell leaves.

The Pachyderm Coalition has published a Party Platform Comparison. It has been recommended as a good tool for PC's.

The AJSMRC may need to find a new meeting place. The Feed Bag Restaurant may be closing at 3:30 during the summer.

We will have a raffle at each month's meeting. Members were asked to submit their suggestions for the type of raffle and/or prizes they would like. Anne Fesler-Butts also asked the group to help with prize donations.

Guest Speaker next month will be Wil Cardon, candidate for US Senate.

Old Business

Kelli Caplette gave the highlights from the February meeting.

New Business

Guest Speakers

Paul Babeu, Pinal County Sheriff and candidate for US Senate

He has delivered results in his current office and he should be judged on those and not the information about his personal life. Sheriff Babeu listed the accomplishments he has made as Pinal County Sheriff and answered questions.

Steve Henry, Chief Deputy of Pinal County Sheriff's Office and candidate for Pinal County Sheriff

Chief Deputy Henry spoke to us about his qualifications and background. He supports the First and Second Amendments and believes the drug cartels are terrorists.

Adjournment

Charlie Fox adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Anne Caplette
Secretary

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April 10, 2012

A General Meeting of the Superstition Mountain Republican Club was held on April 10, 2012 from 6:30-8:00PM at the Feed Bag Restaurant.

Officers Present:

Charlie Fox, President
Anne Fesler-Butts, Vice President
Art Fesler-Butts, Treasurer
Kelli Caplette, Secretary

Officers Absent:

N/A

Also Present:

Mark Hawthorne, Webmaster
General Members

Guest Speakers

Cindi Valgento, AJHS Economics Teacher
Wil Cardon, Candidate for US Senate

Call to Order

Charlie Fox called the meeting to order. Beth Holgren led the group in a prayer. James Holgren led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer Report-Art Fesler-Butts

Account Balance: \$2,044.06

The Treasurers Report was approved.

Announcements

True the Vote will be held this Saturday, April 14.

Charlie Fox promoted Shane Krauser's book, [Your Nation to Save](#).

Beth Holgren spoke about HB2549. This bill was passed by the AZ Senate and House; John Fillmore was the only Representative to vote against it. This bill is now on the Governor's desk. Please contact her and urge her to veto it.

Tickets were sold for a 50/50 Raffle; the winner will be announced at the end of the meeting.

Guest Speakers next month will be Tom Bearup, candidate for Pinal County Sheriff and Ron Gould, candidate for US House of Representatives, CD4.

Old Business

Kelli Caplette gave the highlights from the March meeting.

New Business

Guest Speakers

Cindi Valgento, AJHS Economics Teacher

Mrs. Valgento presented several pieces of lessons that she teaches her high school Economics class. The topic she covered was the Recession we face today and what brought it about. Mrs. Valgento also brought a handout that covered the material she presented. The presentation inspired a lively discussion.

Wil Cardon, Candidate for US Senate

Mr. Cardon spoke to the group about his personal and professional background. He also shared his qualifications to be a candidate for the US Senate. One of the hot button topics for Mr. Cardon was Energy in Arizona; he spoke about the energy being generated at Palo Verde being exported to other states, such as California.

Adjournment

Charlie Fox adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Anne Caplette
Secretary

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May 8, 2012

A General Meeting of the Superstition Mountain Republican Club was held on May 8, 2012 from 6:30-8:00PM at the Feed Bag Restaurant.

Officers Present:

Charlie Fox, President
Anne Fesler-Butts, Vice President
Art Fesler-Butts, Treasurer
Kelli Caplette, Secretary

Officers Absent:

N/A

Also Present:

Mark Hawthorne, Webmaster
General Members

Guest Speakers

Tom Bearup, Candidate for Pinal County Sheriff
Anthony Gonzalez, Candidate for Superintendent of Schools
Ron Gould, Candidate for US House of Representatives, CD4

Call to Order

Charlie Fox called the meeting to order. Beth Holgren led the group in a prayer. Art Fesler-Butts led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer Report-Art Fesler-Butts

Account Balance: \$2,702.56

The Treasurers Report was approved.

Announcements

The AJ SMRC will be having a picnic in October to kick off the home stretch to the election. Volunteers are needed! If you are interested in helping out please contact Kelli Caplette or Anne Fesler-Butts.

Charlie Fox promoted Robert Spencer's books, The Truth about Mohammed, Religion of Peace and The Truth about Islam and the Crusades. Charlie also mentioned that Spencer has a new book coming out titled Did Mohammed Exist?.

Todd House spoke briefly about the Apache Junction Fire Board. The Mesa Deputy Chief is being hired to for the Fire District. He is going to cost \$38,000 more than the other candidate who also has more experience. The Mesa Deputy Chief also has a conflict of interest with our Fire District since two of the Board Members used to work for him.

Barb Cobb attended the meeting and let the group know that she was running for the Apache Junction Fire Board and she had petitions available to sign.

James Holgren announced that he is running for the Apache Junction School Board and he also had petition available to sign.

Tickets were sold for a 50/50 Raffle; the winner was announced at the end of the meeting.

Guest Speaker for June will be Lando Voyles, candidate for Pinal County Attorney.

Old Business

The Minutes from the April meeting are available to be read on the AJ SMRC website at ajsmrc.com.

New Business

Guest Speakers

Tom Bearup, Candidate for Pinal County Sheriff

Mr. Bearup shared his personal and professional background with the group. He spoke extensively about his desire to cut costs in the Sheriff's Office and how he planned to do it. He also introduced his son, James Bearup. James has just returned from a second tour in Afghanistan and he is running for US House of Representatives in District 15.

Anthony Gonzalez, Candidate for Pinal County Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Gonzalez has just begun his race for Superintendent of Schools. He is currently a Chemistry teacher and holds a Masters of Education. Mr. Gonzalez was very passionate about full disclosure of the salaries for everyone in education; from the Superintendent to the teachers. He believes that will be a very helpful tool for voters and parents. He also stated that Conservative School Districts perform better than Liberal School Districts and cited the Vail School District as an example.

Ron Gould, Candidate for US House of Representatives, CD4

Mr. Gould is currently a Senator in the Arizona Senate. He has been voted the #1 Conservative in the Senate, based on his voting record. Mr. Gould shared his background and personal reasons for running for the US House of Representatives. His message was we needed to get

rid of all the people in Washington D.C. who just “go along to get along”. He told the group that he was not one of those types and that he was a champion of the taxpayers.

Adjournment

Charlie Fox adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Anne Caplette
Secretary