# Hanover Republican Women's Club May 10, 2022 6:00 p.m. Anna's Italian Restaurant Mechanicsville, Va.

Call to Order: President Nancy Russell

Invocation: Tywanna Hampton

Pledge: President Nancy Russell

HRWC Mission Statement: Sue Cobb

Republican Creed: Brutus Russell

Guests included:

Nancy

Diane Beasley
Jeff and Gail Stone

Trip Chalkley, Hanover Commonwealth's Attorney

Sue Dibble, Hanover County Supervisor

### **CLUB BUSINESS:**

## **Recording Secretary's Report:**

Recording secretary, Sue Cobb, indicated the minutes from the HRWC Membership Meeting held April 19, 2022 are available at the sign-in table, and online at hrwomen.com

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Sandra Paulus provided the following financial report, and said HRWC now has 40 paid members, and 10 paid associate members.

TREASURER'S REPORT as of May 10, 2022:

Balance on hand as of 4-19-2022: \$2982.72

Receipts:

Dues [ #8 regular members @ \$35 ea.]: \$ 280.00 Fundraising/Contributions: \$ 50.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$ 330.00

CASH ON HAND FOR THE PERIOD: \$3312.72

DISBURSEMENTS:

Dues [ #8 @ \$24 ea to VFRW & NFRW]: \$ 192.00 Women's Candidate Fund [\$2.00 per member] \$ 16.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$ 208.00

BALANCE ON HAND AS OF May 10, 2022: \$3104.72

## **Membership Report:**

Membership Chair Jill Soniker reported there was no new membership / issues to provide.

## **Corresponding Secretary's Report:**

Corresponding Secretary Nancy Flippen reported Gigi Foster may have a surprise 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party, but that it might have to be cancelled. A card will be sent.

### **Community Service Project:**

Jenny Lundy reported that the Community Service Project for May will be the Mechanicsville Churches' Emergency Services [MCES]. The HRWC Newsletter will have a list of the items to be considered for individual members' donations to be brought to the meeting June 21, 2022.

## **Bylaws Committee Update:**

On behalf of Jenny Lundy, Julie Coggsdale, and Liza Bradford, Liza Bradford passed out HRWC By-laws with the changes that had been made. A request for a motion to adopt the amended changes was made and seconded by members in attendance. The newly amended HRWC By-Laws were unanimously approved, and copy will now be forwarded to the VFRW as required.

#### **SPEAKERS:**

## Jeff Stoneman, Candidate for Beaverdam Supervisor, Hanover County Board of Supervisors

Jeff spoke to the HRWC members in attendance about his desire to become the next Supervisor for the Beaverdam area on the Hanover County Board of Supervisors. His three primary principles by which he sees improvement / needs yet to be filled are:

- Economic Development in small businesses in a growing rural county
- School Choice / Parent's Rights
- A Republican Party that functions not like a cruise ship, but rather a battleship

There will be a Firehouse Primary this year to select all candidates running for office. The Primary will be held at the Ashland Library in Ashland, Va. From 6:00 a.m. til 7:00 p.m. June 21, 2022.

### Sue Dibble, Hanover County Board of Supervisors, South Anna District

Sue introduced those in attendance to Envision Hanover, a project seeking input from Hanover County Residents about what they want Hanover County to become. She explained meetings will be held locally across the county, as well as online surveys conducted to garner as much response from county residents as possible to help create the new vision for Hanover County.

### **HRWC President's Announcements:**

 Members attending the VFRW annual conference are Nancy Russell, Julie Coggsdale, Jill Soniker, and Jenny Lundy

- May 21, 2022 is the 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Convention @ Hampden-Sydney College in Farmville, Va.
- EVERY Monday morning at 8:10 a.m., Virginia State Senator Siobhan Dunnavant speaks on WRVA Radio.
- September 23, 2022, the HRWC Annual Fundraiser is to be held. Mark your calendars to to attend, and bring friends, family, and like-minded associates.
- September 24, 2022, the Family Foundation is hosting its annual fundraiser in Richmond. The guest speaker for the event will be the Honorable Dr. Ben Carson, former U. S. Secretary of Health and Human Services.

## **Featured Speaker for the evening:**

### Virginia State Senator Dr. Siobhan Dunnavant

Dr. Dunnavant provided the HRWC members an update as to the happenings during the 2022 Virginia General Assembly, and its' subsequent special sessions. She emphasized there is still no budget for the 2022-2024 Biennium, largely due to the Democratic members of the General Assembly "playing chicken." Her comments included:

The state has an unanticipated additional \$14 billion in revenue. It is federal dollars, and will not recur.

Virginians are currently overtaxed.

A CNU recent survey indicated that Virginians want their tax dollars spent IN Virginia.

Localities & Colleges / Universities' budgets have yet to be created / confirmed because the state's budget has yet to be approved due to the disparities between the Democrats and the Republicans in the General Assembly.

The United States has a much respected Constitution. We have a republic, which is a special Democracy. The state Democrats continually say "...we have a constitutional crisis in our Democracy..." and they continue to break the constitution. Listen and "catch them on how demeaning they are."

To win, we must do battle in a conversation of wills.

She gave an overview of the bills she had introduced and discussed those which had passed in this year's General Assembly Session.

Questions and answers followed her presentation.

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The HRWC 50/50 was held. Nancy Flippen won \$25 which she donated to the HRWC.

A card is to be sent to Sue Hughes' daughter.

President Nancy reminded the members to take a home made peanut butter cookie with them as they left.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Susan S. Cobb, HRWC Recording Secretary