

Libertarian Party of Brevard County - Business Meeting Agenda

*This draft agenda is subject to approval by the voting membership.

Meeting to be held on 6/20/2022

Cape Royal Professional Business Center

1980 N Atlantic Ave Second Floor, Cocoa Beach

Sign in

Meet-and-Greet

1. Call to order
2. Officer Roll Call
 - Determination of quorum (75% of Executive Committee or 25% of all voting members)
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of the minutes from May16 Monthly Business Meeting.
5. Officer Reports
 - Chair
 - Vice Chair
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Director At Large
6. Committee Reports
 - Gala 2022 Committee
 - Outreach Committee
7. LPF Report
 - Region Rep.- Brian Fleming
8. Old Business
 - Motion 2022-15 “Motion to Endorse Ordinance 74-10 Option for BCSO to issue a civil citation in lieu of a criminal charge.” CHANGE IAW R.Klimkowski

- Motion 2022-18 “Motion to Amend Constitution for Special Meetings and Electronic Participation.”

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- Motion 2022-19 "Motion to Add Section Titles to Constitution."

See addendum

9. New Business

- Motion 2022-20 “Motion authorize expenditure of up to \$600 for the purpose of printing event programs for the 2022 Golden Liberty Gala as a fundraiser.”

See addendum

10. Public Comments

11. Notice & Announcement of Next Meeting

- Next Meeting Date & Location

July 18, 2022

- Next Social Date & Location

June 26, Rotary Park at Suntree Clean-up
US Highway 1 Rockledge, Fl 32955

July 4, Independence Day Parade

Meetup at large parking lot across from
Hell & Blazes Downtown Melbourne

12. Adjournment

Addendum 1: Motion 2022-15

Title: “Motion to Endorse Ordinance 74-10 Option for BCSO to issue a civil citation in lieu of a criminal charge.” CHANGE IAW R.Klimkowski

Mover: Rob Klimkowski

ORDINANCE 2022-(10) AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE COUNTY OF BREVARD BY AMENDING CHAPTER 74 OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS BY CREATING SECTION 74-9 TO PROHIBIT POSSESSION OF CANNABIS AND DRUG PARAPHERNALIA UNINCORPORATED COUNTY; BY AMENDING CHAPTER 20 BEACH CODE, ARTICLE IV CONDUCT, TO CREATE SECTION 20-128 PROHIBITING POSSESSION OF CANNABIS AND DRUG PARAPHERNALIA ON THE ATLANTIC OCEAN BEACH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; BY PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AUTHORIZING INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution 2022-10

Whereas, A community will only allow a crime to rise to the level it will tolerate,

Whereas, A majority of that community no longer sees Cannabis usage as a crime.

Whereas, 7 other counties in Florida and several other cities have passed similar text.

Whereas, allocation of earmarked resources to violent crimes have proven to be a better use of taxpayers funds.

Whereas, based on evidence from our neighboring counties and cities, caging people for a plant does not make people safer.

Whereas, Brevard County should join the growing number of Florida counties and cities that recognize the individual liberties of their constituents, meaning that the constitution is we the people of Brevard's internal policy on cannabis.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Libertarian Executive Committee of Brevard County Supports Ordinance 2022-10, which amends county ordinance to a civil citation for cannabis usage in lieu of a criminal citation. We urge all other political parties and clubs in Brevard County to support Ordinance 2022-10.

Citation-

<https://norml.org/laws/local-decriminalization/florida-local-decriminalization/>

Addendum 2: Motion 2022-18

Title: Motion to Amend Constitution for Special Meetings and Electronic Participation

Mover: Greg Peele

I move to amend the LBPC Constitution to make the following changes:

- Amend existing Article II Section II to strike the word “regular” from the phrase “regular business meetings”
- Create a new Article VI titled “Meeting Notice and Procedure”
- Move existing Article V Section IV to become Article VI Section I and title it “Regular Meetings”, insert the word “regular” before “business meetings”, and insert the words “date, time, and location” prior to the words “posted to the public and functioning website”
- Create a new Article VII titled “Committees”
- Move existing Article V Section V to become Article VII Section I and title it “Standing Committees”
- Move existing Article V Section VI to become Article VII Section II and title it “Special Committees”
- Create new Article VI Section II and Section III with the following text:

SECTION II: SPECIAL MEETINGS

The Executive Committee may call special business meetings with advance notice of the meeting date, time, location, and purpose posted to the public and functioning website, subject to any additional policies and procedures defined in the bylaws or other subordinate governing documents. No business may be conducted at the special meeting inconsistent with the stated purpose.

SECTION III: ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION

Electronic participation may be authorized for any meeting. The electronic platform, call-in information, and any other necessary information to participate electronically if authorized shall be provided in the public notice of the meeting. Any Member participating electronically shall notify the Secretary in writing at least 24 hours prior to the meeting of intent to do so and shall announce participation on the authorized electronic platform during the meeting. Members participating by authorized electronic means shall count as present and in attendance for all purposes.

Informational Reference:

Changes with Markup (new underlined, removed ~~striketrough~~)

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

SECTION I

(No changes)

SECTION II: MEMBERSHIP

A Voting Member of the LPBC is any person who is an Associate Member and attends three (3) of the previous six (6) and/or six (6) of the previous twelve (12) ~~regular~~ business meetings, is registered to vote in Brevard County, Florida with a listed party of Libertarian Party of Florida (LPF) as verified by Voter ID, and is not otherwise a member of any other political party. Voting membership shall take effect immediately on attendance of the qualifying meeting. Any member who fails to maintain this level of attendance, whose voter registration cannot be verified, or who is shown to be registered with or is otherwise a member of another political party shall be downgraded to associate membership until all qualifications for voting membership are met again.

(No changes)

ARTICLE V: PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

(No changes)

SECTION III

The Executive Committee may create additional standing rules or other written governing documents that are wholly subordinate to and may not conflict with this constitution, the bylaws, and the adopted parliamentary authority.

ARTICLE VI: MEETING NOTICE AND PROCEDURE

SECTION ~~I~~ IV: REGULAR MEETINGS

The Executive Committee shall call regular business meetings at least monthly with advance notice of the meeting date, time, and location posted to the public and functioning website, subject to any additional policies and procedures defined in the bylaws or other subordinate governing documents.

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ARTICLE VII: COMMITTEES

SECTION V I: STANDING COMMITTEES

Permanent standing committees may be defined in the bylaws, to include the committee's name, membership composition and qualifications, term of service, duties, powers, and any other policies and procedures prescribing the actions of the committee.

SECTION V II: SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Executive Committee may create special committees in accordance with the adopted parliamentary authority. Any such special committees shall operate for the duration specified by the Executive Committee or until the next regular Executive Committee election, whichever is sooner.

Rationale for Changes:

Currently the LPBC Constitution does not provide for electronic participation, and electronic participation would not count for voting membership. However, we have a number of members who are actively involved in the party and have a desire to participate in discussion and votes yet due to health or other personal factors beyond their control may be unable to physically attend Monday evening meetings. I believe it prudent to provide an avenue for electronic participation to our members while ensuring such participation requires advance notice and is not easily abused. The option for electronic participation would remove the need for other alternatives such as proxy voting.

Related to meeting attendance, currently nothing in the LPBC Constitution authorizes special meetings as detailed in the Bylaws (although nothing explicitly forbids it either) and the current attendance requirements do not reward attendance of special meetings since only regular meetings count for voting membership. This proposal would allow all meetings to count for attendance and to codify the current practice on special meetings.

This motion is intended to be compatible with the “Motion to Add Section Titles to Constitution”
- new titles added to existing sections should match in both motions.

Addendum 3: Motion 2022-19

Title: Motion to Add Section Titles to Constitution

Mover: Greg Peele

I move to amend the LPBC Constitution to add section titles to all sections as follows:

- ARTICLE I: NAME AND OBJECT
 - SECTION I: NAME
 - SECTION II: PURPOSE
 - SECTION III: AFFILIATION
 - SECTION IV: STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES
 - SECTION V: ADOPTION OF LPF CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
 - SECTION VI: SECESSION VOTE
 - SECTION VII: SECESSION EFFECTS
- ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP AND DUES
 - SECTION I: ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
 - SECTION II: VOTING MEMBERS
 - SECTION III: REVOCATION OF MEMBERSHIP
 - SECTION IV: PROHIBITION ON DUES
- ARTICLE III: OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
 - SECTION I: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSITION
 - SECTION II: ELECTION TERMS
 - SECTION III: ELECTION QUALIFICATIONS
 - SECTION IV: WAIVER OF QUALIFICATIONS
 - SECTION V: CHAIR
 - SECTION VI: VICE-CHAIR
 - SECTION VII: SECRETARY
 - SECTION VIII: TREASURER
 - SECTION IX: DIRECTOR AT-LARGE
 - SECTION X: RESIGNATION
 - SECTION XI: RECALL
 - SECTION VII: VACANCIES
- ARTICLE IV: ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS
 - SECTION I: ADOPTION OF NEW CONSTITUTION
 - SECTION II: CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
 - SECTION III: BYLAWS AMENDMENTS
 - SECTION IV: PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENT

- SECTION V: EFFECTIVE DATE
- ARTICLE V: PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE
 - SECTION I: ADOPTION OF RONR
 - SECTION II: SUBORDINATION AND SEVERANCE
 - SECTION III: STANDING RULES
 - SECTION IV: REGULAR MEETINGS
 - SECTION V: STANDING COMMITTEES
 - SECTION VI: SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Rationale for Changes:

Adding section titles helps make it much easier to find sections and clauses relevant to any particular topic of interest, and therefore would help anyone reading the Constitution. By definition it does not change the meaning or effect of any existing Constitutional rules; it is purely internal housekeeping. Furthermore, while conducting a reconciliation of complex and conflicting amendments for the LPF Constitution and Bylaws, I determined that having titles for every section makes it much easier to cite references and to track which section any particular change was intended to modify, remove, or replace.

Addendum 4: Motion 2022-20

Title: “I move to authorize expenditure of up to \$600 for the purpose of printing event programs for the 2022 Golden Liberty Gala as a fundraiser.”

Mover: Mari Peele on behalf of the Gala Committee

Rationale:

- Many events, Libertarian and otherwise, use advertising in event programs as fundraising.
- This motion would allow the committee to seek ad sponsors for an event program to be handed out on the night of the Gala.
- The intention is to dedicate half of the inside pages and optionally the inside back cover to ad sponsors at a rate of \$50 per ¼ page, \$100 per ½ page, and \$200 per whole page.
- Non-ad space would be dedicated to information on speakers with pictures guests could get signed, information on LP Brevard and how to get involved (including QR codes for donations, website, etc), and special content like letters from Spike or Larry Sharpe as needed to fill space.
- The actual size of the program would be dictated by the number of ads sponsored.
- The number of programs printed would be dependent on the ticket count closer to the event with most cost-effective printing time being 7-10 days.
- The minimum number of ad pages to cover for the smallest program size is 2 pages. If we cannot reach enough sponsors to cover 2 pages, we will not go forward with the fundraiser.

Initial pricing research online:

200 - 12 page color programs (4 for inner and outer covers, 8 inner pages) range \$200-\$600

4 inner pages x \$200 of donations = \$800 in donations

Ad sponsorships would cover the cost of printing with an excess of \$200-\$600 going back into the party.