

BYLAWS of the Reynoldsburg Republican Club

ARTICLE I - Title and Purpose

SECTION 1.

The name of the organization is the Reynoldsburg Republican Club.

SECTION 2.

The purposes are:

- a. to promote principles of Republicanism;
- b. to strive for Republican success in National, State and Local elections;
- c. to work for civic betterment of the community; and
- d. to provide social contacts for its members.

ARTICLE II - Membership

SECTION 1.

The membership consists of those persons who believe in, and will support the ideals and principles of Republicanism.

SECTION 2.

Only members who are registered Republicans in the Reynoldsburg area are eligible to hold office or entitled to membership benefits.

ARTICLE III - Dues

SECTION 1.

Annual membership dues are \$10.00 per person.

SECTION 2.

Dues are payable for the following calendar year before December 31.

SECTION 3.

Members who have not paid dues by January 31 will forfeit the benefit of membership until dues are paid.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

SECTION 1.

The officers are president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

SECTION 2.

Officers are elected at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 3.

Officers perform the duties usually performed by such officers and also as are specified in these Bylaws.

SECTION 4.

Vacancies in the office of president are filled as provided in Article V.

SECTION 5.

Vacancies in the offices of vice-president, secretary and treasurer are filled as provided in Article VI.

SECTION 6.

No officer can serve more than three successive terms in the same office. Service of a portion of the term greater than half is considered a full term.

ARTICLE V - Duties of Officers

SECTION 1.

The president:

- a. presides at all meetings and conducts them by the order of business as provided in Article VII;
- b. performs all duties of the office.

SECTION 2.

In the absence of the president, the vice-president assumes the duties of the president. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office of president, the vice-president assumes the duties of the president until the next annual meeting. In the absence of both the president and vice president from a meeting, the Secretary or Treasurer, in that order, may preside.

SECTION 3.

The secretary:

- a. keeps minutes of all meetings and makes them available to members upon request;
- b. sends notice of time and place of all meetings;
- c. conducts the general correspondence of the organization;
- d. keeps an accurate list of names and addresses of members; and
- e. sends notices in December to all members who have not paid dues.

The retiring secretary delivers all appropriate records to the newly elected secretary within one month after the election.

SECTION 4.

The treasurer:

- a. receives, deposits and disburses all funds;
- b. reports the financial standing at each meeting and makes a full report at the annual meeting;
- c. keeps an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements;
- d. collects all dues; and
- E. files financial reports as required by law.

The retiring treasurer within one month after the election, delivers to the newly elected treasurer all appropriate records.

ARTICLE VI - Elections

SECTION 1.

The president, vice president, secretary and treasurer are elected annually. The terms of office begin at the first regular meeting in the calendar year.

SECTION 2.

At the October meeting, three members of the Committee on Nominations are elected by the membership. Two additional members are appointed by the president. The committee chairperson will be appointed by the president from the five members.

SECTION 3.

The Committee on Nominations prepares a slate of candidates for the four officer positions and presents it at the regular meeting (November) preceding the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 4.

All elections are by secret ballot.

SECTION 5.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor, following the report of the Committee on Nominations.

SECTION 6.

The president appoints tellers.

SECTION 7.

Elections are carried out by members voting in person during the regular meetings.

SECTION 8.

Each person who votes shall have been a member at least thirty days prior to the election. Voters are verified by the tellers from the official membership list.

SECTION 9.

A plurality vote of those members present, entitled to vote, constitutes an election. The nominees receiving the highest number of votes are declared as elected. In case of a tie in any office, the choice is decided by lot.

SECTION 10.

After an election is declared, ballots are destroyed.

SECTION 11.

A vacancy occurs when an officer misses three consecutive meetings.

SECTION 12.

In case of a vacancy/person cannot serve in any of the offices, except president, nominations shall be accepted from the floor at the next regularly scheduled meeting. A plurality vote of those members present, entitled to vote, will constitute the election of the nominee to the office. The nominee receiving the highest number of votes is declared as elected. In case of a tie, the choice is decided by lot. The election will be by secret ballot. After an election is declared, ballots are destroyed.

ARTICLE VII - Meetings

SECTION 1.

There will be a regular monthly meeting each month, time and place as designated by the president, except July and August.

SECTION 2.

The Annual Meeting of this organization is held in December. Annual reports of officers and standing and special committees are given at this meeting.

SECTION 3.

The order of business of all meetings includes:

- Call to order
- Report of President
- Report of Secretary
- Report of Treasurer
- Reports of Standing and Special Committees
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Adjournment

SECTION 4.

Special meetings may be called by the officers and will be called by the president on written request of ten members.

SECTION 5.

Notice of all meetings are sent to all members by regular U.S. Mail at least seven days prior to a regular meeting and three days prior for a special meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - Standing Committees

SECTION 1.

Members of standing committees are appointed by the respective chairpersons and assume such duties as assigned by the president.

SECTION 2.

Chairperson of the following committees are appointed by the president:

Program
Membership
Publicity and Publication
Ways and Means
Budget

ARTICLE IX - Quorum

At least ten members present at a regular, special or annual meeting, one of whom will be an officer, shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE X - Fiscal Year

The fiscal year is the calendar year.

ARTICLE XI - Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised govern all meetings in cases they are applicable and not inconsistent with these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XII - Amendments

SECTION 1.

These Bylaws may be amended at any meeting by two-thirds vote of the members present, providing members have been given a ten-day notice of the proposed change.

(Adopted by the membership on August 28, 2002)