## PLYMOUTH AREA DEMOCRATS

General Membership Meeting April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## Attendees

Joyce Weston, Chair
Val Scarborough, Vice Chair
Jane Helfrich, Secretary
Bill Nesheim, Treasurer
Jay Scarborough, Communications Officer
Gunnar Baldwin, Technology Officer

Gunnar Baldwin
Heather Baldwin
Bill Bolton
Sallie Fellows
Sebastian Fuentes
Carol Heuser
Peter Lovett
Gary McCool
Natalie Murphy
Nara Narimanova

Jason Neenos
Bill Nesheim
Melanie Nesheim
Deb Reynolds
Betsy Salemson
Fran Taylor
Tink Taylor
Sally Widerstrom
Jackie Wolff
Ken Wolff

## AGENDA

**WELCOME.** Joyce Weston called the meeting to order, welcomed all PAD members, and recognized current and former state representatives in attendance.

## **BUSINESS MEETING.**

MINUTES. The minutes of the March 27th, 2024, general meeting were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Bill Nesheim provided a treasurer's report. Bank balance is approximately eight thousand dollars. Bill stated rental fees are the costliest expense and reminded members of the Act Blue monthly donation option, currently seven members utilize this option.

CAMPAIGN SPACE SEARCH. Jane Helfrich provided an update on the search for the PAD Campaign Headquarters space. Main Street location is highly desirable, several spaces researched and are unavailable, tif members know of rental spaces please contact Jane.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. Joyce advised the members that Democrats are still looking for candidates for House District 6, Gary McCool has been working on this. We still have about 5 weeks before filing. Joyce announced 2 upcoming important events: Chloe Maxim, a former Maine state senator and author of *Dirt Road Revival* will be coming to our May 29<sup>th</sup> meeting (Joyce asked that everyone note the date change of the May meeting) and for the June

meeting, Becky Whitley will join us. Becky is a second term NH state senator and candidate for Annie Kuster's. Joyce also announced that on April 30<sup>th</sup>, the Bristol Town Committee will host an event for Emmett (last name?) a candidate for Executive Council District 1at the Old Town Hall, 45 Southern Street, Bristol, at 6pm.

**PROGRAM.** Joyce introduced the meeting's speaker, Melanie Nesheim. Melanie's program was on climate change and her involvement with THIRD ACT. THIRD ACT is a national organization for adults over the age of sixty "determined to change the world for the better". Melanie's wide-ranging presentation included her recent onset of activism for climate change, examples of climate changes in New Hampshire, three campaigns for change, and resources for achieving change.

To view the entire presentation and hear Ms. Nesheim's commentary go to the youtube website and search for 24 April 2024 PlymouthAreaDemocrats meeting. Ms. Nesheim's slide show will be posted on website.

NEXT MEETING. May 29th.

Jane Helfrich PAD Secretary