

ACCU GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING NOTES

Date: Monday May 20, 2019 **Time:** 7:40pm **Place:** Forest Home Twp Hall

Chairman Randy Bishop opened the meeting with pledge and invocation. G. Valerio gave the treasurer report. Motion to approve B. Bradford 2nd C. Bart. Approved. Cherie Hogan gave the secretary report. Correction on Sumner spelling. Motion to approve B. Bradford 2nd V. Bishop. All approved.

Chairman's Report: Randy said the Republicans are going into another year unprepared, didn't learn their lesson. Puts ACCU in the unique position of choosing candidates and informing the public via voter cards about candidate positions and the goal is to put one in every Antrim County household after vetting the candidates. ACCU cannot endorse but inform. We need money to do this and need to double and triple our membership and even donations of \$10 a month it will help toward this objective.

Randy still trying to locate a speaker for our event. Talked to Charlie Kirk about waving his \$15,000 fee in lieu of Randy's help starting two new chapters of Turning Point USA in Northern Michigan. After much discussion it was decided to have a Fun Shoot at Richard Davis range. Date TBD.

Barb Bradford expressed concern that the membership is not included in spending decisions. Randy explained that the ACCU a private corporation not a political party.

Ken Borton, Otsego County Commissioner has officially filed to run for Triston's seat. The ACCU will be invited to his event. Website is kenborton.com.

House and Senate passed bills to lower car insurance rates. Whitmer said she will veto. The Antrim County Times cannot be printed at this time because too many issues that need to be reported on are unresolved. Barb called the Review and asked the editor to do an interview with Congressman Bergman and do a write up so readers can see what he's done.

Justin Amash is facing a primary challenge from a veteran named Tom Norton. Tomnortonusa.com. Larry Inman, a congressman from T.C. is charged with exchanging votes for bribes.

Our guest was Jeff Bergman from 40 Days For Life a pro-life group that stages two 40 day vigils, spring and fall in front of the Planned Parenthood clinic in T.C. Since 2007 16,000 babies have been saved by this group. He encouraged all to watch the movie 'Unplanned' a true story about a PP manager who saw an abortion and ended up joining the opposition. Jeff's goal is to recruit 30-40 churches to help fill the hours required during the vigils and to form a loose coalition of pro-life groups and churches in Northern Michigan.

Randy stated that since 1846 Michigan has been a no-abortion state. Both the House and Senate passed the dismemberment bill which eliminates killing babies by pulling them apart piece by piece in the 2nd trimester after they are too big to suck out. All Republicans voted for it and all Democrats voted against it. Janet Porter is working on the Heartbeat Bill, which would stop abortions once a heartbeat is detected. Right To Life is starting a petition drive and need 340,047 signatures in 180 days from the time they start circulating the petitions. Randy played his podcast with his interview with Genevieve Marnon from Michigan Right to Life and encouraged all to listen to the rest in their spare time.

Rob Bargy discussed the residency question on the Census. Says it's where you live on April 1st. Next mtg June 17th. Motion to adjourn Rob 2nd Carla. Respectfully submitted Cherie Hogan