

## **CALL TO SHENANDOAH COUNTY, VIRGINIA REPUBLICAN PARTY PRECINCT MASS MEETINGS AND COUNTY CONVENTION**

As Chairman of the Shenandoah County Republican Committee, I, Craig Leroy Orndorff, pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, and as recommended and directed by the Shenandoah County Republican Committee at its regular meeting on **Thursday, January 21st, 2016**, I, Craig Orndorff, do hereby issue this call for Precinct Mass Meetings (as needed) and a County Convention to be held as follows:

### **Precinct Mass Meetings**

Precinct mass meetings will be held in twelve precincts of Shenandoah County, should the number of delegates pre-filing for the convention in that precinct exceed the total possible number of delegates as stated below under **Allotment of County Convention Delegate Votes**, at the following locations on **Thursday, March 17th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.:**

Orkney Springs – Fire/Rescue Building  
Fort Valley – Fire Hall  
New Market – Fire/Rescue Building  
Woodstock – Circuit Courtroom  
Conicville – Fire Hall  
Cedar Creek – Community Center  
Mt. Jackson – Town Hall  
Toms Brook – Fire Hall  
Edinburg – Fire Hall  
Lebanon Church – Community Center  
St. Luke – Parish Hall  
Strasburg – Town Hall

The purpose of the precinct mass meeting is to elect Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Shenandoah County Republican Convention to convene at Central High School in Woodstock, Virginia or its alternate site on **Friday, April 1st, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.** Only those individuals who pre-filed according to the procedures and timeline outlined under **Pre-Filing for Delegate to the County Convention** and who are registered to vote in the precinct for which they seek election and meet the qualifications for participation may be considered for election by their precinct's mass meeting, but any individual meeting the qualifications for participation may participate and vote in the mass meeting. No nominations for delegate may be accepted on the floor at any mass meeting. Individuals attending the mass meeting shall cast votes for delegates up to the total number of delegates allotted for that precinct. Individuals shall then be ranked by the total number of votes received, highest to lowest, and shall be allotted Delegate or Alternate Delegate positions until all positions are filled.

If a mass meeting is held with delegates elected, the Chair of the Precinct Mass Meeting shall deliver a listing of all delegates elected, with their full legal name and registered voting address, to Craig Leroy Orndorff, Chairman of the Shenandoah County Republican Committee, 467 Toll House Road, Maurertown, VA 22644 and Nancy Barnett, Secretary of the Shenandoah County Republican Committee, 1171 Polk Road, Edinburg, VA 22824, by no later than **Thursday, March 25th, 2016 at 5 p.m.** The form must be signed by the elected Chairman and Secretary of the Mass Meeting.

Postmarks shall not govern. Forms will be provided by the Committee to the elected Precinct Chair prior to the mass meeting date, but delegates shall be accepted if another document materially contains the information required above.

In the event that the number of delegates pre-filing for each precinct does not exceed the total number of delegates allotted to the precinct under **Allotment of County Convention Delegate Votes** in this call, all delegates shall be declared elected and the mass meetings shall not be held. In the event that this happens, notice shall be placed on the County Committee's website [www.shenandoahgop.com/2016Convention](http://www.shenandoahgop.com/2016Convention) and all delegates who have been automatically elected shall be notified via postcard mail. Notice shall also be placed on the website or provided via postcard mail if a mass meeting is required to elect delegates.

### **County Convention**

The Shenandoah County Republican Convention shall convene at Central High School in Woodstock, Virginia or its alternate site on **Friday, April 1st, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. for the following purposes:**

1. Election of a Chairman and Precinct and At-Large Members of the Shenandoah County Republican Committee for a two year term;
2. Electing up to 400 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to cast 80 votes at the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Convention, to be held on May 21<sup>st</sup> at Cave Ridge High School, 3712 Chapparral Drive in Roanoke, VA, beginning at 10 AM for the purposes of electing three Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican National Convention; nominating an elector to serve in the Electoral College representing Virginia should a Republican win Virginia in the November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Presidential Election; electing a Chairman and three regional Chairman for the District; electing three members of the Republican State Central Committee; and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention;
3. Electing up to 400 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to cast 80 votes at the Virginia State Convention, to be held on April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> at James Madison University Convocation Center, 895 University Boulevard in Harrisonburg, VA, beginning at 10 AM for the purposes of electing thirteen at-large delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican National Convention; nominating two at-large electors to serve in the Electoral College representing Virginia should a Republican win Virginia in the November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Presidential Election; electing a State Chairman; electing a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman; and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention; and
4. The transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Registration shall begin at 6:30 P.M. Registration shall end at 7:30 PM. or when the convention is called to order. However, anyone in line at that time will be allowed to register and participate as a full delegate in the convention.

### **Mandatory Candidate Filing and Fee Requirements**

Candidates for the position of Chairman must file a Declaration of Candidacy form by mail or in person to Craig Leroy Orndorff, Chairman of the Shenandoah County Republican Committee, 467 Toll House Road, Maurertown, Virginia 22644 by **Saturday, February 20th, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.** Postmarks will not govern. Said form may be obtained from Chairman Orndorff or at [www.shenandoahgop.com/2016convention](http://www.shenandoahgop.com/2016convention) and must be fully completed and signed by the candidate in order for that candidate to be deemed properly filed.

A filing fee of \$100 shall be required to run for Chairman of the Committee. Checks are to be made payable to the Shenandoah County Republican Committee and shall accompany the Declaration of Candidacy to be filed with Chairman Orndorff. Cash will be accepted but must be delivered in a sealed envelope. Only those candidates for Chair who file both their form and filing fee by **Saturday, February 20th, 2016** will stand for election at the convention.

Candidates for Precinct Committee member or Delegate to the 6<sup>th</sup> District or State Conventions shall pre-file with Craig Leroy Orndorff, Chairman of the Shenandoah County Republican Committee via mail or in-person at 467 Toll House Road, Maurertown, VA, 22644 by no later than **Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 6:00 P.M.** Delegates may also pre-file via email to [craig.orndorff@gmail.com](mailto:craig.orndorff@gmail.com). Postmarks shall not govern.

No nomination for the office of Chair, Precinct Committee Member or Convention Delegate shall be accepted from the floor of the convention unless no candidate files for the position. Should only one person file for any office under these requirements then he/she shall be declared nominated. Should no more than one individual file for the office of Chair or no more than the total allotted number of Delegates to the State or 6<sup>th</sup> District Conventions then all shall be declared elected and no vote will be held at the convention. Notice shall be placed at [www.shenandoahgop.com/2016Convention](http://www.shenandoahgop.com/2016Convention). Nominations for the office of County Committee Member at-large may be accepted from the floor.

### **Pre-Filing for Delegate to the County Convention**

All individuals who wish to be a delegate to the county convention must file a declaration of candidacy to Craig Leroy Orndorff, Chairman of the Shenandoah County Republican Committee via mail or in-person at 467 Toll House Road, Maurertown, VA, 22644. Delegates may also pre-file via email to [craig.orndorff@gmail.com](mailto:craig.orndorff@gmail.com). All forms must be received no later than **Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 6:00 PM**. Postmarks shall not govern. There is no pre-filing fee. Forms shall be available from Chairman Orndorff or at [www.shenandoahgop.com/2016Convention](http://www.shenandoahgop.com/2016Convention). Individuals seeking to be a delegate MUST denote the precinct that they are registered to vote in or they shall not be considered. If the number of individuals, who are registered to vote in the precinct for which they seek election and meet the qualifications for participation, filing to be a delegate for a precinct exceed the total number allotted below, a mass meeting shall be held in each precinct as outlined above under the heading **Precinct Mass Meetings**.

### **Allotment of County Convention Delegate Votes**

The County Convention shall be composed of Delegates and Alternate Delegates from the respective precincts that they represent. Representation shall be based on a percentage of the total number of Republican votes cast in each precinct in the last Presidential and Gubernatorial elections combined. Each precinct will be allowed one (1) delegate vote for each seventy-five (75) Republican votes cast,

or a major fraction thereof. Each precinct shall be entitled to at least one (1) delegate vote. Up to five (5) Delegates and five (5) Alternate Delegates may be elected for each Delegate Vote, but no Delegate shall have less than one-fifth (1/5) of a vote. Pursuant to Section H (3) of the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, each precinct delegation shall vote full vote at the County Convention unless otherwise designated by the electing members of the precinct at its mass meeting. Precincts shall be entitled to vote as follows:

Orkney Springs – **12** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 60 Delegates with 60 Alternate Delegates  
New Market – **34** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 170 Delegates with 170 Alternate Delegates  
Conicville – **24** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 120 Delegates with 120 Alternate Delegates  
Mt. Jackson – **19** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 95 Delegates with 95 Alternate Delegates  
Edinburg – **20** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 100 Delegates with 100 Alternate Delegates  
St. Luke – **21** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 105 Delegates with 105 Alternate Delegates  
Fort Valley-**11** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 55 Delegates with 55 Alternate Delegates  
Woodstock – **40** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 200 Delegates with 200 Alternate Delegates  
Cedar Creek – **2** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 10 Delegate with up to 10 Alternate Delegates  
Toms Brook – **28** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 140 Delegates with 140 Alternate Delegates  
Lebanon Church – **19** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 95 Delegates with 95 Alternate Delegates  
Strasburg – **35** Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 175 Delegates with 175 Alternate Delegates  
**Vote Total: 265 Delegate Votes to be cast by up to 1,325 Delegates with 1,325 Alternate Delegates**

### **Qualifications for Participation**

All legal and qualified voters under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required an intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions, or primaries encompassing their respective election districts. All individuals desiring to participate in the County Convention may be required to present some form of identification such as a voter registration card, driver's license, or other positive identification.

A voter who, subsequent to making a statement of intent, publicly supports a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee shall not be qualified for participation in party actions, as defined in Article I of the Party Plan of the Republican Party of Virginia, for a period of four (4) years. A person otherwise qualified shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years. A single exception shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter that utilizes the foregoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception identified in this paragraph thereafter. Within 30 days of receipt, the Official Committee shall provide a copy of this signed renunciation statement to the Republican Party of Virginia, to be maintained for a period of 5 years.

*Paid for and Authorized by the Shenandoah County Republican Committee*