

2nd Amendment Meeting December 7, 2015

Tom Campione explained the reference to the \$500. donated by the 2nd Amendment Committee to the Tea Party during the Treasurer's report at the last Tea Party meeting. This was money from a recent Gun Raffles that we ran on behalf of the main body, using a firearm that the main body owned as a result of the FNRA. That transaction was previously discussed numerous times, and he assured us that planned expenses will be discussed beforehand.

Local Elections: With the change in the Tea Party By-laws, the 2nd Amendment Committee noted several wins for people supported in recent elections. Matt Dietz will be on Northampton County Council, Joe Hanna, Sheriff in Lehigh County. While Hayden Phillips did not prevail in his run for County Controller, he remains on Northampton County Council and Judge Emil Giordano remains on Court of Common Pleas as he did not win a Superior Court Judgeship.

Universal Background Checks

Recently there was assurance by Pat Toomey's office that gun registration would not be brought up by Manchin-Toomey. This was denied and later it came out that in one day the original Manchin-Toomey bill was resurrected, re-introduced and wound up on the floor of the Senate and defeated by a fairly slim margin! It is felt that Toomey will lose his base due to his actions on the 2nd Amendment. Several strong suggestions were made to bring this to Toomey's attention via a half page ad "Letter to the Editor" type of notice but it was felt the damage has already been done.

Permit to Carry

Tom is still working on a sample 'warning card' — noting this Permit to Carry license is good in PA only. He feels people who have a 'permit to carry' should be aware not to go to any other state without such knowledge and is trying to reschedule a meeting at the county level for next week. Once the card is issued in the county it will be easier to get the legislature to issue for the State.

Modifications to section 6120

Regarding local ordinances legislating use of firearms -- no luck in introducing this in the senate, but Tom will see if it can be introduced in the house

L.V. Oath Keepers Chapter

The L.V. Oath Keepers new chapter had a meeting and a good turnout. Anyone with an interest in joining can contact Tom as they are planning a rally on the Capitol steps on stopping the flow of Syrian refugees into Pennsylvania. The Board at the Tea Party has also been fighting this.

Raffles/Bob Wieder

The NRA has decided after many years to raise the fees for membership. One year is going to \$40.00, \$55.00 for 3 years is now going to \$75.00 and before January 1st, 2016 anyone joining for Lifetime will pay \$500 rather than the \$1500 it will cost after that date.

Tom requested that all in attendance fill out the information requested for a new year's records and email him with one idea for some event involving the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Rosenthal, Secretary