



Clackamas County Republican Party February Newsletter

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Clackamas County Republican Party

*The mission of the CCRP
is to improve
Oregonian's lives by
limiting government
and promoting
individual freedoms.*

We as the County Party need to refocus on the needs of all County residents. Our message to all County residents is we are here to make sure your voice is heard in your government. We are here to support everyone's rights under the Bill of Rights. We will support your Freedom of Speech, Assembly and Religious Freedom. We denounce violence as an answer to County or State problems. We support open, transparent process that includes vigorous dialogue and debate.

Legislative Updates

We need all volunteers and PCPs to keep an eye on what is happening at the Capital.

Oregon Legislative System

[OLIS](#)

The above link helps you to navigate what is going on at the Capitol.

May 18, 2021 Special District Elections Info

First Day to file for County Special Districts (School, Fire, Water Board and Misc) is February 6th.

[SEL 190 Filing Form](#)

More information can be found on the [Clerks Website](#)

Beliefs of the Clackamas County Republican Party

We BELIEVE the strength of our nation lies with the individual and that each person's dignity, freedom, ability and responsibility must be honored.

We BELIEVE in equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, sex, age or disability.

We BELIEVE free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative have brought this nation opportunity, economic growth and prosperity.

We BELIEVE government must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of the money they earn.

We BELIEVE the proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations and that the best government is that which governs least.

We BELIEVE the most effective, responsible and responsive government is government closest to the people.

FINALLY, We believe the Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

The Oregon Legislature Is Now in Session.

Things may be different about how the legislature operates but our goal remains the same to ensure that all voices are heard and see throughout the legislative process.

The legislature adopted rules to keep the public out of the building for COVID safety. We need to stay vigilante and be ready to send letters or make phone calls to elected officials.

Stay informed and stay engaged
With your [Oregon Government Officials](#)

Click the above link to find out what is on the schedule.

“The power under the constitution will always be in the people. It is entrusted for certain defined purposes, and for a certain limited period, to representatives of their own choosing; and whenever it is executed contrary to their interest, or not agreeable to their wishes, their servants ca, and undoubtedly will be, recalled.” *George Washington*

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Clackamas County Republican Office

The County Party Office is open for business to support our elected officials and provide information to all who seek it about what your government is doing.

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday
10pm - 2pm**

We will have Volunteers to help you with questions. Please call us with any questions 503-303-7312

We will have merchandise to sell including hats, winter beanies and long sleeve shirts.

612 Molalla Ave, Oregon City
[Clackamas Website](#)

Precinct Committee Persons

Precinct Committee Persons “put a face” on the Republican party in their neighborhoods and community, help elect local Party leaders and set the agenda for the Republican Party in their county; they care passionately about politics, current events and issues within their communities and government and how they affect their communities, families and future generations; they stay informed about issues and Party events, acquaint themselves with the candidates and Party leaders; they participate in election activities and volunteer to help elect Republican candidates.

To become one today click the [Link](#)

Elected Officials

State Senator [Fred Girod](#) (District 9)
Senate Minority Leader
State Senator [Kim Thatcher](#) (District 13)
State Senator Bill Kennemer
(District 20)
State Senator [Chuck Thomsen](#)
(District 26)
State Representative [Rick Lewis](#)
(District 18)
State Representative - [Christine Drazan](#)
House Minority Leader
(District 39)
Clackamas County Commission Chair
[Tootie Smith](#)
County Commissioner
[Paul Savas](#)
County Commissioner
[Mark Shull](#)

How to get involved with Clackamas County

We are launching a new endeavor to get more County Residents engaged with their County Elected Officials. Please think about applying to serve on one of the many advisory boards and commissions that communicate directly with the Board of Commissioners. These boards are vital to providing insight and perspective about how to improve our County. Visit this link for more information on how to apply.

[Clackamas County](#)

The CCRP is starting a Republican Party Lending Library. We have a good assortment of books that will provide good information for you and your family. For more information please call 503-303-7312.

Here is what the Oregon House Republicans are fighting for “We the People” in trying to make your government transparent

Request we find a way to safely allow the Capitol to be open on a limited basis, relying on existing public health guidance.

Require amendments to be posted for 24 hours for public review before adoption. Prohibit drafting of committee bills, to allow all members equal access to the legislative process instead of advantage committee chairs over other committee members.

Allow for debate when a measure is withdrawn from committee.

Limit the power of the Speaker to send bills to committees for political purposes by specifying what issues are associated with each committee in rule and allowing committee referrals to be appealed on the floor.

All the Minority Leader to appoint Minority party members to committees.

Allow Minority Reports in all committees, except Ways and Means.

(Information courtesy of Oregon House Caucus)

Clackamas and Marion County Commissioners Appointed Bill Kennemer to be the new State Senator for District 20

The Clackamas County and Marion County Commissioners met for a joint virtual meeting to select a replacement for retiring State Senator Alan Olsen.

The Commissioners interviewed the 3 candidates who were Steve Bates, John Lee and Bill Kennemer. In the end the Commissioner selected Kennemer to serve until 2022. We appreciate John and Steve willingness to serve and we thank them for all they have given to the Party over the years.

We are a better Party because of their leadership and service.