



**Democratic Party of Valencia County**  
**General Meeting Notes**  
**July, 18th, 2023**

**Attendance**

*50 DPVC members and guests in-person including Executive Committee members Summer Ludwig, George Colombo, Marcos Balido, Linda Guenley, Michael Melendez, Dave Fletcher, Lorraine Spradling, and Jim Renshaw.*

*10 DPVC members and guests via Zoom including Executive Committee member Kathy McCord*

**Introduction**

- DPVC Chair gave opening remarks
- Recited the pledge

**Dr. Krebs**

- Community input:
- United message
- Churches
- Mobilization is the key
- Dr. Krebs shared data from elections spanning 2000 - 2022 looking at Valencia County compared to the US and itself over time.

**Mayor Charles Griego Q & A**

- Mayor Griego was joined by Los Lunas Councilman Gino Romero who also answered questions from those present.
- Questions were asked regarding water usage, homelessness, the new interchange, and economic impact of diverting traffic away from Route 66.
- Mayor Griego answered all questions fully and thoughtfully.

**Candidates**

- Mr. Jacob Trujillo with Congresswoman Stansbury's office spoke briefly about the Congresswoman and her team's availability to constituents. He left brochures.
- Ms. Kirsten Couevas spoke briefly, she is running for MRGCD and is seeking signatures. She is a regenerative farmer and agreed with previous community input that water is a precious commodity that must be handled correctly for the good of Valencia County.

### **Announcements**

- There are DPVC mugs and stickers available for donations of \$15 and \$2 respectively
- We need volunteers for the upcoming Valencia County Fair Parade and Booth - you can sign up on our website
- We need donations of school supplies for the National Night Out that we are working on in conjunction with the VCFDW, all of the information is on our website.
- Drinking Democratically will be this Friday at 6pm at Cuco's Chelas y Mas in Los Lunas

### **Adjournment**

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm