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Rockingham County Republican Party issues "Contract with the County"

Seeks to expand "Performance Measurement", issues commitment to Education, Law Enforcement, Job growth and protecting the environment in Rockingham County

REIDSVILLE, N.C. - The Rockingham County Republican Party seeks to generate grassroots momentum in 2008 by issuing a Contract with the County, which outlines five policy goals aimed at creating a more accountable local government.

Central to the Contract with the County is an expansion of the current "Performance Measurement" pilot program. The contract calls for the program to become mandatory for all county entities and for each department's savings to be published and reviewed by the public.

The Contract with the County is the result of six months of collaboration by local party members. The contract outlines the critical issues facing the county, and the Rockingham County Republican Party's stance on each issue. Party members believe that these policy goals will improve county government and give each resident of Rockingham County the opportunity to enjoy the utmost freedom and the highest quality of life.

The contract also details commitments to Education, Law Enforcement, Job growth and protecting the environment in Rockingham County. It strengthens current efforts in local government that are meant to make county officials more efficient and diligent in being good stewards of local resources.

"The Contract was developed to help Rockingham County voters clearly see the positive direction that Republican candidates want to take us," said Dan Zeller, chairman of the Rockingham County Republican Party. "It provides elected officials and candidates a guide for creating policy that benefits all citizens of our county, regardless of party affiliation. It will stand as a statement of position for independents and conservative Democrats to rethink their political affiliations and their own efforts to influence their communities. The Contract with the County will promote change that is often too slow to occur within existing efforts."

The contract was approved at a general meeting of the Rockingham County Republican Party held Feb 2 at Golden Corral in Reidsville. Elected officials in attendance included state Sen. Phil Berger, the Republican leader in the senate, Sheriff Sam Page, County Commissioners David Isley and Bert Jones, District Attorney Phil Berger Jr., state Rep. Bryan Holloway and Rep. Paul Stam, of Wake County, who is the Republican leader in the house.

Local party Vice-Chairman Tom Schoolfield presented the planning committee's report on the Contract and explained the positions to those in attendance.

Like most in attendance, Commissioner Jones had a positive reaction to the contract.

"Just like a person, a party cannot fully be defined in a sound bite," Jones said. "However, while it is certainly imperfect, it is obvious to many that the Republican Party is the most compatible major party for people that value personal responsibility, strong work ethic, peace through strength, the right to life, and other Judeo-Christian values that have guided the best of America for so long. The Rockingham County Republican Party should be applauded for its efforts that are consistent with these principles that have been at the core of our rise as a nation."

The contract can be viewed by the public at the Rockingham County Republican Party's website, www.rockgop.com.

Those interested in more information or joining the party may email info@rockgop.com.

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