

OFFICIAL CALL
Mass Meeting
Montgomery County Republican Committee
of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the Montgomery County Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Glenn Cochran, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Montgomery County Government Center, 755 Roanoke Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073 starting at 6:00 pm local time (with registration opening at 5:30 pm) on Thursday, March 19, 2020 for the following purposes:

1. To elect a unit chairman and members to the unit committee;
2. Electing up to 640 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention, to be held on Friday, May 1, 2020 and Saturday, May 2, 2020, at Liberty University, Vines Center, 1971 University Blvd, Lynchburg, VA 24502, or its alternate site, opening at 2:30 p.m. on May 1 for the purposes of:
 - a. electing a State Chairman,
 - b. nominating a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman,
 - c. electing 12 at-large delegates and 12 at-large alternate delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention,
 - d. binding Virginia Delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention as to their choice for President on the first ballot by a Presidential Preference Poll,
 - e. nominating 2 electors at-large to serve in the 2020 Electoral College, and
 - f. the transaction of other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast for Governor and President at their last election, so that Montgomery County is entitled to 128 Delegate Votes;

3. Electing up to 640 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention, to be held on Saturday, April 18, 2020 at George Wythe High School, #1 Maroon Way, Wytheville, VA 24382, or its alternate site, beginning at 10:00 a.m. (with registration from 8:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.) for the purposes of:
 - a. electing a District Chairman,
 - b. electing 3 members to the State Central Committee,

- c. electing 3 delegates and 3 alternate delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention,
- d. nominating 1 elector to serve in the 2020 Electoral College, and
- e. the transaction of other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast for Governor and President at their last election, so that Montgomery County is entitled to 128 Delegate Votes;

- 4. And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Montgomery County 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, their 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.

In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, unless otherwise stipulated by the appropriate Official Committee, a person otherwise qualified hereunder 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 to this 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 this 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 thereafter.

Voters may be required to produce personal identification such as a valid photo ID that is acceptable for voting purposes in order to participate.

Filing Requirements

Candidates for election for Unit Chairman, or as a delegate or alternate delegate to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention and/or the Ninth

Congressional District Republican Convention at said mass meeting shall file a written statement by mail or in person, to Glenn Cochran, Post Office Box 997, Christiansburg, Virginia 24068, which must be received not later than 5:00 pm on Friday, February 28, 2020, and accompanied by any fees required. Postmarks shall not govern.

Candidates for election as members of the Montgomery County Republican Committee at said mass meeting shall file a written application by mail or in person, to Glenn Cochran, Post Office Box 997, Christiansburg, Virginia 24068, which must be received not later than 5:00 pm on Thursday, March 12, 2020, and accompanied by any fees required. Postmarks shall not govern.

Official filing forms are available by contacting Committee Secretary, Chris Obenshain at jcobenshain@gmail.com or 540-808-3211.

Candidacy filing fees are as follows:

- Unit Chairman - \$50.00 filing fee.
- Unit Committee Member – \$20.00 dues for 1 year (To be paid with pre-filing).
- Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention - \$35.00 registration fee (Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee may participate only in the Presidential Preference Poll).
- Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the Ninth District Republican Convention - \$10.00 registration fee (voluntary).

Please make checks payable to the Montgomery County Republican Committee.

Uncontested Offices/Cancellation of Mass Meeting

If no more than one candidate files for election to any office to be voted upon at the mass meeting, that candidate will be declared elected. If fewer than the maximum number of Delegates that Montgomery County is entitled to at any convention pre-file, all properly pre-filed candidates shall be declared elected. If there are no contested offices to be voted upon at the mass meeting, then no mass meeting will be held. If the Mass Meeting is cancelled under this provision, an ordinary Unit Committee meeting will be called for the same date and time pursuant to the bylaws.

Registration Fees for Mass Meeting & Convention

There will be no registration fee to participate in the Montgomery County Republican Committee Mass Meeting.

There is a voluntary registration fee of \$35.00 for each delegate/alternate delegate elected to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention. Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee for the State Convention may participate only in the Presidential Preference Poll. Fees are requested to be paid at the time of filing for election as a Delegate. Please make checks payable to the Montgomery County Republican Committee, which will forward the registration fee to the Republican Party of Virginia.

There is a voluntary registration fee of \$10.00 for each delegate/alternate delegate elected to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention. Fees are requested to be paid at the time of filing for election as a Delegate. Please make checks payable to the Montgomery County Republican Committee, which will forward the registration fee to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention.

Paid for and authorized by the Montgomery County Republican Committee
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