

# **Nelson County Republican Committee**

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# **OFFICIAL CALL** for a Mass Meeting

Issued March 25, 2021

As Chairman of the Nelson County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as directed by the Committee, I, Carlton Ballowe, do hereby issue this call for an Unassembled **Mass Meeting to be held at Quarry Gardens 1643 Salem Road Schuyler VA 22969 on April 22, at 7:00 PM**. The format will be "drive-by" or "walk-up". Masking and social distancing will be practiced. Registration will begin at 7:00 PM and end at 7:15PM. Individuals in line at the end of the designated registration period shall be allowed to register and vote.

The purpose of the Mass Meeting is as follows:

- 1. Nominating Republican Candidates for North, Central, and East District Board of Supervisors.
- 2. Elect Delegates to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention to be held on May 8, 2021. Delegates will cast their votes at the polling locations to be posted to the RPV, 5<sup>th</sup> District and NCRC websites no later than April 24, 2021.

#### Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Nelson 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 this Mass Meeting, subject to the provisions in Article I of the Plan of Organization.

Mass Meeting participants must present one of the forms of identification listed in § 24.2-643 of the Code of Virginia in order to participate (a valid Virginia driver's license, a valid United States passport, or any other photo identification issued by the Commonwealth, one of its political subdivisions, or the United States; any valid student identification card containing a photograph of the voter and issued by any institution of higher education located in the Commonwealth or any private school located in the Commonwealth; or any valid employee identification card containing a photograph of the voter and issued by an employer of the voter in the ordinary course of the employer's business).

### **Pre-Filing Requirements**

Candidates vying for the NCRC nomination to run for Board of Supervisors in the North, East, or Central District, must pre-file using the appropriate official form attached to this call and pay the

required one hundred fifty dollar filing fee. Forms, with payment, shall be mailed to the Nelson County Republican Committee Post Office Box 75 Lovingston, Virginia 22949 by United States Postal Service. The form must bear an original signature and be received no later than 12 noon on April 14, 2021. Postmarks are not evidence of receipt by the deadline. It is the individual's responsibility to confirm receipt.

In the event that no more than one Board of Supervisors candidate properly pre-files for each of the three open seats, that properly filed candidate for nomination will be deemed nominated; and the mass meeting will be cancelled.

Candidates for election as delegate to the May 8, 2021 State Convention must complete the attached Delegate Pre-File form. The form must bear an original signature and be received no later than 12 noon on April 14, 2021. Postmarks are not evidence of receipt by the deadline. It is the individual's responsibility to confirm receipt.

#### Nomination by Majority Vote

The Mass Meeting shall nominate one candidate each for North District Board of Supervisor, East District Board of Supervisor and Central District Board of Supervisor by majority vote. If there is more than one candidate for any office, the qualified voters shall cast their ballot for the candidate in their respective election district as certified by the Credentials Committee.

## Military Members as Participants and/or Nominees

Military Members (any member of the Virginia National Guard, or the United States Armed Forces, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard currently serving on active duty) who comply with these filing requirements shall not be required to attend the Mass Meeting to become a potential nominee. They may submit their pre-file form by United States Postal Service, provided it is received by the stated deadline with copies of proper identification.

Military Members that are unable to attend the meeting in person due to obligations of their official military orders, may cast their candidate preference ballot sent with the Call by electronic mail to catbalul@aol.com. Military ballots, with proper identification, received electronically will be counted provisionally pending the arrival of the duplicate ballot by U.S. Postal Service no later than April 22, 2021. Instructions regarding the casting of candidate preference ballots are on the Ballot sent with the Call for the Mass Meeting.

#### **Publication**

This Call shall be posted on the websites of the Republican Party of Virginia <a href="https://virginia.gop/">https://virginia.gop/</a>; the 5th Congressional District of Virginia Republican Committee <a href="https://www.5thdistrictva.gop">https://www.5thdistrictva.gop</a>; the Nelson County Republican Committee <a href="https://nelsoncountyrepublicans.com/">https://nelsoncountyrepublicans.com/</a> By a more than 2/3 vote the Nelson County Republican Committee agreed to waive newspaper publication of this call.

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