## SUN CITY WEST REPUBLICAN CLUB Minutes of May 4, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Jan Martinson at 8:35 AM in the Grand Canyon Room at the Foundation, Sun City West, AZ. Jan Neal gave the Invocation. Sergeant-at-Arms John Heep led the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America, followed by the singing of God Bless America accompanied on the piano by June Ruyle.

Motion was made to approve last meetings minutes, seconded, passed.

## WELCOME TO VISITORS:

**ELECTED:** AZ House of Rep. Frank Carroll, County Board of Supervisors Clint Hickman, AZ State Senator David Livingston, Community College Board Jean McGrath, Congresswoman Debbie Lesko Rep – Ken Friellbres, Director CAP Water Board Mark Lewis

Visitors: Irene Oliver, Jim Kaufman, David Sanders, Lynda Greer, Jamie Kelly, Bob Kestner

President Jan Martinson:Introduced the Board members of the SCW Republican Club:President:Jan MartinsonVice President:Jean McGrathSecretary:John SchalkTreasurer:Jean GoncalvesMembership Director:Tom MetzgerDirector at Large:John HeepWebmaster:Art Goes

SPEAKERS: Clint Hickman: He's been chasing around Democrats at the county, you will see changes from the Board. Please get behind Republicans when you vote, it is vital.

Frank Carroll: We're looking into the election system, be patient things will be revealed and come out.

David Livingston: The 2 biggest bills the AZ Governor has passed are the hands free bill, can't drive and hold a phone, and the water bill. The House and the Senate are close to passing a budget. The state currently has 5 tax brackets; David is trying to bring that down to 3.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER: Mark Lewis & Deanna Ikeys by Jean McGrath she will speak about the Colorado River Programs for the Central Arizona Project.

GUEST SPEAKER: **Deanna Ikeys** – Central Arizona Project (CAP) the early visionaries have been thinking on bringing Colorado River water to the population since the early 1900's. We are in year 19 of the water

drought. We store water in Lake Mead which is about 40% full.



CAP is an engineering marvel in the middle of the desert. It moves 50% of our Colorado River water for the whole state. It is the life line for AZ. AZ has to constantly fight for the water from the river.

**Mark Lewis:** His board serves water to 80% of the people in the state of AZ. "Whisky's for drinking and water is for fighting over." He likes to fight, wants to make sure we get our share of the deal as we go forward. We want to support our local farmers instead of buying our produce and meat from Mexico, that's why we made the water deal we did with the local farmers.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May 7, open house at the West Valley Office, 99<sup>th</sup> & Bell 7 PM
May 8, Arrowhead Republican Women's Club meeting at Briarwood Country Club, Patriotic Celebration. Reservation required, fee – lunch & meeting contact Lezlee 602-354-5224
May 20, Maricopa LD Meeting, Westbrook Village 6PM contact Rae at <u>Ric@chornenky.com</u>
There will be no meetings of this club in July & August
June 8, Lincoln Day Luncheon at Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge Resort Luncheon only \$60

Attendance: 63

ADJOURNMENT: President Jan Martinson adjourned the meeting 10:02.

Submitted by: John Schalk, Secretary