

# OFFICIAL CALL

## Mass Meeting of the Goochland County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the Goochland County Republican Committee (GCRC) of the Republican Party, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended by the Committee, I, Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Central High Cultural & Educational Complex, 2748 Dogtown Rd, Goochland, VA 23063, or alternate location if necessary, starting at 7:00 PM local time, with registration from 5:30 to 7:00 PM on Friday, May 12, 2023 for the purposes of:

1. Nominating and/or endorsing candidates for the following Goochland County offices for the November 7, 2023 General Election:

- Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Commonwealth's Attorney
- Commissioner of the Revenue
- Sheriff
- Treasurer
- District 1 Supervisor
- District 2 Supervisor
- District 3 Supervisor
- District 4 Supervisor
- District 5 Supervisor
- District 1 School Board Member
- District 2 School Board Member
- District 3 School Board Member
- District 4 School Board Member
- District 5 School Board Member
- Monacan Soil & Water Conservation District Board Member(s)

2. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the Mass Meeting.

### QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION:

All legal and qualified voters of Goochland 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. Voters wishing to participate in the Mass Meeting must be properly registered to vote in Goochland County and may be required to produce personal identification, such as a valid driver's license or a Commonwealth of Virginia Voter

Registration Card issued by the Goochland County Registrar. In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, a voter shall not have participated in the nominating process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years. A single exception to this requirement shall be approved for a voter who renounces affiliation with any other party in writing and who expresses in writing that he or she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends at the time of the writing to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future.

#### **DELEGATE FILING REQUIREMENTS:**

All Republicans wishing to participate in the Goochland County Republican Mass Meeting are requested to file the GCRC Mass Meeting Delegate Pre-Filing Form and submit it in person, by email, by website submission (<https://goochland.gop/gcrc-documents>) or by mail to GCRC Chairman, Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, at 4555 Leakes Mill Road, Gum Spring, VA 23065 or print, fill out, sign, scan, and email to [EC@Goochland.gop](mailto:EC@Goochland.gop) by April 27, 2023 at 7:00 PM. Postmarks do not govern and there shall be no exceptions to the requirements specified.

No filing fee is required.

#### **DELEGATE CHECK IN:**

The Mass Meeting check-in shall begin at 5:30 PM and shall conclude at 7:00 PM. All Delegates in line at 7:00 PM shall be allowed to check-in. Delegates will be required to present photo identification as part of the check in process. The Mass Meeting shall be called to order at 7:00 PM or upon completion of check-in of all Delegates in line at 7:00 PM. Upon commencement of the first ballot for any office and thereafter, no quorum call, or point of order regarding the quorum of the Mass Meeting, or of any Committee thereof, shall be in order.

#### **CANDIDATE FILING REQUIREMENTS:**

Any candidate seeking nomination or endorsement to the above named offices shall file a written candidate filing form by postal mail, or in person, which includes their full name, mailing address and phone number, to Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, 4555 Leakes Mill Rd, Gum Spring, VA 23065, which must be received no later than April 19, 2023 at 7:00 PM. Postmarks do not govern.

Candidates for endorsement or nomination must remit a non-refundable filing fee of \$100 with their candidate mass meeting filing form. Checks are to be made out to the Goochland County Republican Committee (GCRC).

It is the responsibility of the candidate to confirm receipt of their candidate filing form and payment with the Goochland County Republican Committee Chair, Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop at 540-223-6850.

Should only one candidate properly file and be qualified for the Republican nomination or endorsement for any elected office, then such candidate shall be deemed elected and the Mass Meeting for that office shall be cancelled. If only one candidate properly files and qualifies for the Republican nomination or endorsement for all elected offices, such candidates shall be deemed elected and the Mass Meeting shall be cancelled.

### **INFORMATION PROVIDED TO DELEGATES:**

On or before May 1, the following information will be emailed to each credentialed Delegate:

- 1) List of all properly filed and qualified candidates and offices sought
- 2) Proposed Mass Meeting Rules

### **MILITARY MEMBERS AS DELEGATES:**

Military Members (any members of the Virginia National Guard, or the United States Armed Forces, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard currently serving on active duty) may be certified as delegates by complying with the procedures detailed in a Unit's call pursuant to Article VIII, Section H, Paragraph 6 of the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia. Military Member delegates or alternate delegates that are unable to attend the convention in person due to obligations of their official military orders, shall have their votes cast within their unit delegation according to candidate preference ballots.

Candidate preference ballots will be made available by the Goochland County Republican Committee no later than April 15, 2023 and will be made available on the Goochland County Republican Party website or upon request by e-mail to Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop at [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop).

Candidate preference ballots must be received no later than May 10, 2023, by email to Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop at [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop).

### **CONDUCT OF THE MASS MEETING:**

The meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Code of Virginia, the Republican of Virginia State Party Plan, this Call, and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, Twelfth Edition, in that order of precedence. District-specific office nominations and endorsements will be held by participants attending within a given Electoral District. Postmarks will not be considered. Nominations from the floor for these offices will not be accepted.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolutions shall not be considered at this Mass Meeting.

**MASS MEETING COMMITTEES:**

The GCRC Chair shall appoint the chairman and members of a Credentials Committee, a Nominating Committee, a Rules Committee, and a Resolutions Committee.

**CALL REVISIONS:**

The Goochland County Republican Committee is authorized to revise the issued Call to make any such technical or conforming changes in the event such changes are necessary and shall promptly notify the Republican Party of Virginia.

**PUBLICATION:**

This Call shall be posted on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia (<https://virginia.gop/events/category/official-call/>) and may be posted on the Goochland County Republican Committee website at <https://goochland.gop>.

**Authorized and paid for by the Goochland County Republican Committee**