

The CONSTITUTION of The Libertarian Party of Palm Beach County

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ARTICLE I Name & Object

Section 1.

The name of this organization shall be the Libertarian Party of Palm Beach County, hereinafter referred to as the LPPBC.

Section 2.

The object and purpose of the LPPBC is to engage in political action in the Palm Beach County, to serve as a county affiliate organization of the Libertarian Party of Florida.

Section 3.

The purpose of the LPPBC is to implement and give voice to the principles embodied in the Statement of Principles currently adopted by the Libertarian Party by:

1. Supporting and endorsing Libertarian candidates for national, state, and local public office.
2. Entering into political information activities, including the promoting and securing of party members.

ARTICLE II Membership

Section 1.

LPPBC membership is open to whoever signs the pledge: "I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals.", is current paying their annual membership dues to the LPPBC, is registered to vote as a Libertarian, and is at a minimum, a sustaining member of the national Libertarian Party.

ARTICLE III Officers, Executive Committee & Standing Committees

Section 1.

The Officers of the LPPBC shall be a Chairperson, a Vice Chairperson, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The duties and election of the Officers shall be specified in the By-Laws.

Section 2.

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers elected at the Annual Business Meeting within the provision of the By-Laws. The powers and duties of the Executive Committee shall be prescribed in the By-Laws, to provide the control and management of all the affairs, properties, and funds of the LPPBC consistent with this Constitution. Deficit spending shall be prohibited.

Section 3. Standing Committees

A. Committees and Committee Chairs shall be appointed by the Chair of the LPPBC with the approval of the Executive Committee unless otherwise provided in the Constitution. Actions of all Committees shall be reported to the Executive Committee.

Section 4. Rules Committee.

The Rules Committee will be composed of the Chair, Secretary and three (3) other members of the party not on the Executive Committee, one of whom shall be appointed annually by the Chair to serve a three-year term. The appointed members with the longest tenure on the Committee shall chair the Committee. The Rules Committee shall be responsible for interpreting the Constitution based on current Florida Statutes and upon order of the Executive Committee shall prepare and submit amendments to the Constitution and By-laws for a vote by the membership at the Annual Business Meeting.

ARTICLE IV Conventions & Meetings

Section 1.

The LPPBC shall hold an annual convention in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws.

Section 2.

The conduct of the business and meetings of the Executive Committee shall be prescribed in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE V Statement of Principles, Platform & Nominations

The Statement of Principles of the Libertarian Party is hereby ratified. The LPPBC may develop a Statement of Principles consistent with the Libertarian Party's as a preamble to the Platform developed by the Convention, and as prescribed by this Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI Adoption & Amendments

Section 1.

This Constitution shall be adopted when approved by two-thirds of the delegates of its Annual Business Meeting.

Section 2.

Amendments to the Constitution may be made in the following manner:

Amendments must be published among the Executive Committee and all members, thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Business Meeting and passed by a majority of more than 50.1% of the members present at that meeting, OR may be made from the floor at the annual meeting and passed with a majority of no less than 60%.