

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

As Chairman of the Smyth County Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Adam L. Tolbert, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Adwolfe Volunteer Fire Department, 104 Thomas Bridge Rd., Marion, VA, 24354 (or its alternate location), starting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 for the following purposes:

- 1) Electing a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, and members of the Smyth County Republican Committee;
- 2) Electing up to 390 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention, to be held Friday, May 31, 2024 and Saturday, June 1, 2024, at Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 Coliseum Dr., Hampton VA 23666, or its alternate site, opening at 2:30 p.m. on May 31 for the purposes of:
 - a) electing a State Chairman,
 - b) nominating a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman,
 - c) nominating 2 electors at-large to serve in the 2024 Electoral College, and
 - d) for 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 Smyth County is entitled to 78 Delegate Votes;

- 3) And, for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Smyth 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 a valid form of photo identification acceptable for voting purposes in order to participate.

Filing Requirements for Mass Meeting

Candidates for election as Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, or Secretary of the Smyth County Republican Committee are required to pre-file their intention to seek such offices. A written statement of intent containing the following details shall be required: full legal name, office sought, physical and mailing address, email address, and telephone number. Such statement must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 15, 2024 in person or by mail to Sam Widener, Vice Chair, Smyth County Republican Committee, 108 Sapwood Dr., Marion, VA 24354 (phone 276-780-9102). Postmarks shall not govern. No statements in any form will be accepted after the aforementioned deadline.

Individuals seeking to be delegates or alternates to the State Convention or members of the Smyth County Republican Committee are required to pre-file no later than 7:00pm on Tuesday, March 26, 2024. Individuals may contact Sam Widener, Vice Chair, by phone at 276-780-9102 or email samwidener0607@gmail.com for more information. Delegate filing forms are available online at www.virginia.gop and www.smythgop.org. Postmarks shall not govern. No filing forms will be accepted after the aforementioned deadline.

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 unit committee members that Smyth County Republican Committee has established pre-file, all properly pre-filed candidates shall be declared elected to the applicable unit committee membership position. If fewer than the maximum number of Delegates that Smyth 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.

Registration Fees for Mass Meeting & Conventions

There will be no required registration fee to participate in the Smyth County Republican Committee Mass Meeting. There is a mandatory registration fee of \$45 for the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention. Fees are requested to be paid at the time of filing for election as a Delegate.

Paid for & Authorized by the Smyth County Republican Committee

Adam L. Tolbert, Chairman (276) 496-5246

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