



South Eastern Oxford County Democrats  
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Meeting January 17, 2026, Norway at 1:00 pm

## Meeting Report

Meeting was called to order at 1:04 pm by Chair Donna McCarraher. We had 17 intrepid members/guests who braved the snow storm to show up, Mark James, Helene Ragovin James (on Zoom), Misty Yates, Azalea Cormier, Skip Green, Judy Green, Carol Rothenberg, Pat Shearman, Jan Cardoza, Nan Kieliszek, Frank Kieliszek, Mo Convey, Janet Jamison, Mike Newsom, Megan Preambo (representing Beth Bosworth), Joan Beal and Donna McCarraher.

First item of business was nailing down details of Meet n Greet in Waterford, Misty, Mark, Skip, Judy Carol and I will all be there. Posters were passed out for people to post in auspicious places. Another Graham Platner event is being planned for the following weekend combining Norway, Paris and West Paris, details not nailed down as of yet. Janet was asked by Bruce to obtain the South Paris Fire Station meeting room, she had not been able to talk with the chief yet.

Judy finished the (tedious) Ethics report successfully and on time. Donna and Mark will do the payroll 1099 reports and filing by end of January (deadline February 2).

Megan Preambo from SDCC (Senate Democratic Campaign Committee) talked a bit about Beth and what she will be campaigning on and had signature petitions for us to sign. Beth has an extensive career in education. Beth Bosworth will be guest speaker at the Waterford Meet n Greet on January 24, at 10:00 am at the Community Room of the Waterford Town Office, 366 Valley Road, Waterford.

Extensive discussion on down ballot candidates included suggestion by Skip Green of Chris Easton of Waterford for HD 81. We think he needs more convincing, but it was hinted that he was interested? There was mention of a candidate for SD !9, but person mentioned expressed no interest? We really got into the weeds on the down down ballots of County officers, etc. Janet Jamison is expressing her designs on running for County Treasurer and was fully encouraged by Pat and others all expressing our support. Azalea Cormier wants to run for something, Pat suggested she start small with something like county commissioner, expressing her strong social capital in Buckfield (select person and lots of other stuff) and Pat offered her lots of help and support (as we all do) and rides in her orange VW convertible in parades. There was a funny cat story in there somewhere, but you had to be there! We are in search of a democratic candidate for County District Attorney, it was suggested to find a democrat Judge, maybe contacting former town manager now Judge, Jeff Wilson for information on potential candidates, or Andrew Robinson, former DA now Judge, for information on potential candidates.

We briefly talked about our potential office sharing that is somewhat in limbo. To be continued...

At the end of meeting, there was some signature petition signing, Pat schooled us on the rules about this and the proprietary nature of the forms, including notarization and witnessing signatures.

Our next meeting is on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at the Norway office. Meeting was adjourned at 2:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Donna McCarraher