Matt Nye 1:30pm Thursday May 3rd

- 1). Most qualified? I think in terms of background. I'v only been involved in politics about 10 years, but I have, as they say, leaned in. Grassroots organizer, brevard team party, liberty caucus... started local now chair national org. Served on county charter review commission. I know how to serve on board move the agenda item to get things passed. And practice experience of being a small business owner. I am a remote sales guy now and can set my own schedule, and have a feel for challenges small business owners face. I like to listen and hear from all perspectives. I'm not painted that waylay FL today. But I don't care if R or D or lib. Its about is it the right idea for Florida or the county.
- 2) look at my track record, consistent since college editor of my college paper. I'm a small government libertarian, small government guy. Very consistent in that respect. Evidence out there I'm not going to flip flop on an issue at this point in my life.
- 3) healthcare? My personal experience when I had upper GI bleed in ER care was not fun. At high level, get government out let market work. How that works itself out... I'm always going to lead toward more competition and less government intervention.
- 4) Education? No and No. I'm deeply concerned. Fascinating thing to me. The more money we throw at it results don't seem to change. I'm not sure funding is the issue. State constitution state provide public education. I think free market should handle education so we are started from flawed premise. I'm all for charter, vouchers, anything to allow more private choice.
- despise unfunded mandates. If I'm in position where I have to vote to tell local school board they have to do something, I would fight like hell to make sure they have money to do it. MARSHALL plan legislature ran off half cocked.
- aside from not turning out good graduates, so not good workers. We keep lowering the bar to push people through the system. but I see trends coming out of public schools, and on the decline.
- 5) transportation. I honestly don't know what our funding levels are would have to dig into that before answering. I know county doesn't spend enough. This is one where I think infrastructure/transportation is primary function of government, so for example I'm for roads, not so much trains.
- 6) I would follow the science, but err on the side of private property owner. If science is there would be for appropriate regulatory fix. I talked to scientists at ST johns water management district... they said we don't know. Lots of factors at play. Event manatee ... invasive species eating all these grass. I went to MIb city council mtg few years ago and talking about requirements for fertilization. Basically said in summer, grass will suck up whatever you put on it. But the council voted the complete opposite... ban fertilizer in summer and ok in winter.
- how get state funding. I would sponsor and fight for funding. I think the lagoon is statewide issue. I think county was premature to pass the tax.... I hear conflicting info from mayfield and Fine. Fine says we are cut out of state money because of tax, mayfield says the opposite. I don't know who is right.
- 7) home rule. Very careful. I would err on side of home rule over a Tallahassee fix any day.
- 8) TDT don't agree with the concept of the idea (of using god money to promote tourism or special tax) to start with, so to say that I'm fine with the changes. Because I'm happy with changes if now can at least have chance to be spent on infrastructure.

- 9) voters judge success? I would like to be called reasonable. He was reasonable problem solver that did what was right for brevard.
- 10) leadership? I'm prepared to go up and sit in the basement the first year. I'm not going to be told how to vote just based on leadership. I wont be bullied into voting for something I disagree with. Would you be in an 8 year plan for career there? Yes, in sense I want to be effective, but not in that I am planning my leadership run or want to be speaker.
- 11) Brent -what do you do when you disagree with your constituents? Or constituents want something but you disagree? Well I look at data, and what data says or ramifications of decision. If it is feel good type thing. But if I can't wrap my head around the solution you are proposing.... I can't support it. Gun issue. I don't understand the folks who are "anti gun, no matter what, data be damned." I can't get to that line reasoning if facts say otherwise.
- 12) research. I ran 2010.... Bankruptcy, tax lean, all that came out in 2010. That didn't seem to come to play that big a role in that election. I ran against Bolin. Never ran before, no money, did mail nothing... just 2000 absentee chasers and got 41% of vote. She spent 80k and squeaked it out.
- 13) elevator speech on republican liberty caucus? Founded 1991 as libertarian republicans, decided to work within two party system, because didn't see path for third party. All the stuff republicans normally use when running but don't do when they are elected. Talked about national folks, locally bob white running for governor.
- 14) bart I see people go to tally and be surprised when told they have to fall in line. How do you overcome? I am prepared to sit in the basement ... I just want to do the good fight, don't care about awards or such. I think people are starving for leadership and following through on whats right. Doesn't matter what media does to you. I'm prepared to suffer that fate.
- 15) Jack: did I understand you say ok with not having public schools? yes, I think market based approach would be much better.
- 16) expansion of gambling? I'm all for it. Free market. I think some rules to protect kids, but consenting adults could/should be allowed to do it. To me if its legal, then everyone should be able to do it.
- 17) CRA's? against them... they never go away, take on debt. Abuse like in satellite beach who use for operating and other expenses. I look at it like they draw a line, whenever CRA's goes in place, when property values rise the money is trapped in that place and not going into the general fund.