

While God only gave Moses 10 Commandments on Mount Sinai, the local Fayette County Issues TEA Party delivers 11 commandments to each elected official for the betterment of our community.

In the world of the TEA Party, the world revolves around the taxpayer, increased bureaucracy is detested and public servants should be just that – servants.

Eleven Commandments for Public Servants

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1. Taxpayers are the most important people in the community.
2. Taxpayers are not dependent upon you; you are dependent upon them.
3. Taxpayers are not an interruption of work; they are the purpose of your work.
4. Taxpayers do you a favor when they call you or come into the office. You are not doing them a favor by waiting on them.
5. Taxpayers are not outsiders.
6. Taxpayers are not cold statistics. They are human beings with feelings and emotions just like you.
7. Taxpayers are not people to argue with, match wits with, or ridicule.
8. Taxpayers are people who need your assistance and it is your job to provide professional quality service.
9. Taxpayers deserve as much freedom and independence as possible and government should not be an obstacle.
10. Taxpayers are the people who make it possible for your salary to be paid.
11. Taxpayers are a vital part of this government and every division thereof.

The Importance of Freedom and Independence and the Proper Place of Authority

1. A free people cannot survive under a republican constitution unless they remain virtuous and morally strong.
2. The most promising method of securing a virtuous and morally stable people is to elect virtuous leaders.
3. All men are created equal.
4. The proper role of government is to protect equal rights, not provide equal things.
5. Humans are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights.
6. The God-given right to govern is vested in the sovereign authority of the whole people.
7. The majority of the people may alter or abolish a government which has become tyrannical.
8. The United States of America shall be a republic.
9. A constitution should be structured to permanently protect the people from the human frailties of their rulers.
10. Life and liberty are secure only so long as the right of property is secure.
11. The highest level of prosperity occurs when there is a free market economy and a minimum of government regulations.
12. The government should be separated into three branches: legislative, executive and judicial.
13. A system of checks and balances should be adopted to prevent the abuse of power.
14. The unalienable rights of the people are most likely to be preserved if the principles of government are set forth in a written constitution.
15. Only limited and carefully defined powers should be delegated to government, all others being retained in the people.
16. Efficiency and dispatch require government to operate according to the will of the majority, but constitutional provisions must be made to protect the rights of the minority.
17. Strong local self-government is the keystone to preserving human freedom.
18. A free society cannot survive as a republic without a broad program of general education.
19. A free people will not survive unless they remain strong.
20. The core unit which determines the strength of any society is the family; therefore, the government should foster and protect its integrity.
21. The burden of debt is as destructive to the freedom as subjugation by conquest.
22. The United States has a manifest destiny to be an example to the entire human race.