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Scott Gives Props to Local Political Group

Local resident Jeff Scott who considers himself a moderate politically and who is neutral when it comes to the Tea Party movement decided to attend last Thursday's 'We the People' meeting at Coronado Museum despite being unsure of what he would encounter.

Scott writes a blog online titled "Reflections, Perspectives and Commentary: One man's search for balance and moderation in faith, politics and culture." In his most recent blog Scott said he attended last week's meeting out of curiosity.

"I know a few people in the group who assured me their purpose was not radicalism, but rather educating the electorate and motivating involvement of the ordinary citizen. So, curious and professing an open mind, I attended," Scott said.

Scott chose to speak up at Thursday's meeting when the group was asked what their thoughts of the Tea Party is. Scott said he is neutral on them because he thinks there are positives and negatives. His positives were that the movement does help hold political leaders accountable. His negatives were that it seems to be a partisan movement that exists just to be anti- (Barack) Obama.

Scott also added in his blog that his experience at the 'We the People' meeting was a positive one and that he was pleasantly surprised by the response he received as he added that he was not attacked and was asked some good probing questions.

"Obviously I can't speak to the behavior of most Tea Party groups, but I have to commend those in my hometown Liberal, KS for what seems like a genuine and effective commitment to the idea of a truly inclusive, grass roots political movement without an excess of ideological extremism."

This comes after a there were a few people who wouldn't reveal their identity who contacted the Southwest Times newspaper to complain about the group using a tax payer funded building to push their "right-wing agenda."

'We the People' has also hosted several meetings at Ruffinos restaurant courtesy of Jack Carlile who is an admitted Democrat. Carlile has attended all but two of the meetings and has let the group know they are welcome at Ruffinos anytime.

Scott's Blog Link- Copy and Paste to view:

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