

**Marlborough Democratic City Committee  
Monthly Meeting for February 9, 2019  
9am – 10am**

**New Horizons  
400 Hemenway Street  
Wayside Conference Room  
Marlborough, MA  
(Please park in the 370 Hemenway entrance)**

**AGENDA**

**Call to Order**

**Additional Agenda Items?**

We will defer Minutes Approval (Dec & Jan) and Treasurer's Report till after our speaker's presentation.

A move to make a motion needs to be made to postpone our Committee Reports post speaker

**Guest Speaker:** City Clerk, Lisa Thomas

**December and January Meeting Minutes Approval**

**Treasurer's Report** - George LaVenture

**Committee Reports**

Educ. Comm.: Dan Caruso & Michelle Bodin-Hettinger

Outreach Committee: Barbara Allen

Membership Committee: Barbara Allen/Rosalind Baker

Press & Public Relations Committee: Doug Pizzi,  
Dave Doucette

Programs Committee: Jayne Wilson

Chairman's Notes: Kirk Hurley

**Old Business –**

Follow-up with analytic voting data of Marlborough voters discussed at a meeting attended by Dave Doucette, Babs Fenby and George LaVenture.

**New Business –**

**Democratic Caucus Location – Possibility to be held at New Horizons Dining Room.**

**Convention will be held Sept 14: Caucuses will take place within four months prior to the Convention, window announced after February 4th.**

**Adjourn**

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**We are self funding. Our annual dues helps us to put on events. Please pay \$25 by check only. Make check out to “MDCC”. We do NOT take cash anymore for anything. Cash makes it difficult to record & report our finances to the state party. Thank you. You may mail it to our Treasurer: George LaVenture, 346 Brigham St, Marlborough—GlaVenture@Trinity-Inc.net**

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**Regular Monthly Meeting for February 9, 2019  
Minutes – **DRAFT****

**Officers:** Kirk Hurley, Chair; Barbara Allen, Vice Chair; Dan Caruso, Vice Chair; Debbie Doucette, Secretary,

## **Attending**

**Members:** Babs Fenby, Diane Stevens, Ed Pastor, Kara LeTreize, Jim Eldridge, Dave Doucette, Kathleen O'Connor, Alice Wertheimer, Alex Williamson, Carmine Gentile, Barbara Shapiro, Joan Gregoire, Danielle Gregoire, Rosalind Baker,

**Meeting Brought to Order at 9:12 am. Kirk Hurley, Chair presiding.**

**December & January Minutes:** Approved w/o objection

**Treasurer's Report – George LaVenture,** Treasurer not present.

Report was received via email. Bank balance as of January 20<sup>th</sup> is \$335.60. Report Approved.

**Added Agenda:** Changes in Calendar/Dates & Meetings

## **Committee Reports**

**Chair's Notes:** Caucus dates scheduled between 5/11 and 6/16.  
Electing MDCC Officers.  
Convention – Issues scheduled for 9/14 in Springfield.

Committee agreed on 5/11 for caucus, Saturday at Kane's School, 9 – 11am. Cost \$75, Dave Doucette will secure rental.

**Education Committee: Dan Caruso/Michelle Bodin-Hettinger-None**

**Membership/Outreach – Barbara Allen/Rosalind Baker**  
Working group to clarify committee structure.

Committees under Membership Umbrella would include;

**Outreach/Membership/Recruitment/Events/  
Events would include Fundraisers and Campaign**

**Need a chair to oversee By-Laws  
Search for Ward 5 chair**

**Use of HOW TO BOOK Kirk Hurley and Deb Doucette  
worked on could be part of their basic set-up of events**

**There will be another Membership working group meeting  
before our March MDCC meeting**

**B. Allen will email to the Secretary their write up of the  
Membership Committee's structure.**

**Carmine Gentile – State Rep**

**Working on following legislation –**

**Taskforce has been put together to research on opening  
times of school. Findings due at end of 6 mths**

**Bill to protect children from harmful pesticide used on  
school properties—eliminate “Round Up”.**

**Marlborough is getting rid of their  
landscape chemicals on public property.**

**Health Care Financing –**

**Rank Voting is in Legislation**

**Danielle Gregoire – State Rep**

**Working on following legislation –**

**Co-sponsoring several environmental bills**

**Bill allowing Rehabilitation Counselors to be licensed for  
their service**

**Allowing DNA swab at point of arrest to help identify  
person quickly**

**Bill to help prevent Human trafficking**

**Environmental Bill to help prevent declining pollination  
by bees.**

**Bill to help increase Homecare Workforce low pay  
and provide career ladder**

**Barbara Allen - Suggested we have a general information forum  
for our group as well as outsiders to educate people on our state  
government's legislation and what laws are being introduced.**

**Ed Pastor suggested we get state sponsors. Needs to be located in  
Marlborough.**

D. Doucette said he would reach out to the Republican City Committee to invite them. Make it Bi-partisan.

### **Old Business**

Marlborough voter analysis - D. Doucette requested the 2015 voter list to be combined with the current census from city hall.

**Kara LeTreize** - Westborough Dem; running for State Committee Attended state meeting with Jay Gonzales. Reported on Party Rule Change-- A 16 year old can pre-register for Caucus and Convention delegate as long as he turns 16 before 5/11/19.

### **Other Items**

D.Doucette announced there is an important environmental meeting sponsored by 350 organization on 3/1/19 at First Parish in Framingham. Many local and state politicians will be attending as well as speaking.

Lori Trahan is holding a meeting at her office in Lowell on Wednesday, February 2/20/19. Kirk and Dave are attending.

Dan Caruso announced he is running for an open School Committee seat. Election on 2/15/19