

**Marlborough Democratic City Committee
Monthly Meeting for September 7
9am – 10am**

**New Horizons
370 Hemenway Street
Dining Area
Marlborough, MA
(Please park in the 370 Hemenway entrance)**

AGENDA

Call to Order

Additional Agenda Items?

July 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 –

Post discussion on the Barbecue—Went Well
Constitutional Amendments

New Business –

Updates on local candidates

Adjourn

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 September 9, 2019 Minutes – **DRAFT**

Officers: Kirk Hurley, Chair; Barbara Allen, Vice Chair; Dan Caruso, Vice Chair; Debbie Doucette, Secretary, George LaVenture, Treasurer

Attending

Members: Elaine Chont, Diane Stevens, Barbara Stevens, L. Tucedli, Ayaan Jibnl, Michelle Bodin-Hettinger, Lee Hettinger, Marilyn Perry, David Doucette, Ed Pastor, Keith R. St. John, Alexander Williamson, Dan Caruso, Samantha Perlman, Roz Baker, Carmine Gentile, Doug Pizzi

Meeting Brought to Order at 9:25 am.

Approval of Minutes: July Minutes Approved Previously

Committee Reports:

No Committee Reports

Introducing local Democratic Candidates

- **Samantha Perlman**—Running for Councilor-at-Large
Updated her Campaign. There will be no preliminary election. Barbara Allen is hosting Samantha's campaign meetings. Lots of marketing material and social media.
- **Keith St. John** -- Running for Mayor
Has a primary election with two other mayoral candidates on October 8th. Speaking with people around Marlborough. Keith's issues for the city includes leaking water mains, leaking gas, bring in solar. Revitalize downtown, add bike shops etc
- **Dan Caruso**—School Committee Member
Brochures will be available shortly. Dan is running against Mark Dexter.

- **Laura Wagner** -- Running for City Councilor for Ward I
- **Dave Doucette** – Running for Re-Election for City Councilor for Ward 2. Running against opponent Kenny Vigeant.

Carmin Gentile, our State Rep, updated congressional issues. Congress is looking to bring in more revenue for roadways, transportation and education through Capital Gain tax or Carbon Tax.

School lunches are being expanded. Campaign Finance Reform Bill is coming up for vote supported by Carmin in the House and our State Senator, Jamie Eldridge, in the senate. Roe Act—Bill to support Women seeking abortions. To protect their choice. Majority support bill and may be passed this session.

Barbara Allen informed us that she hasn't had any membership meetings lately—focused on MDCC BBQ. Would like to organize a Voter Registration Committee. Call her to get involved. Kathleen O'Connor has Brazilian, Portuguese and Spanish registration forms. She has handed out over 50 forms. Recommends to bring all three forms if you are going door to door. Get in touch with MassVote.org to have more sent out.

Barbara would also like to review the committee titles, as some are not pertinent at this time.

Diane Stevens shared some feedback on MDCC BBQ. The start time should be earlier so we can get more candidates to attend.

Dave Doucette shared an incident where an ICE agent took one of his co-workers from work. Doug Pizzi also mentioned another incident in Marlborough.

We will add ICE to the next meeting's Agenda.

Convention this coming Saturday. Check on Ward 7 Alternates.

ADJOURN 10:45AM