

Mariaville Civic Association Meeting
Vonage on line meeting
Tuesday, March 10, 2026
Linda Hayen- President

Dottie Tambasco- Secretary

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

In Attendance: Linda Hayen, Chris Hayen, Tony Irvin, Terry Weber, Dottie Tambasco, Lou Ann DiNardi, Greg Starker, Bob Hurry, Lewis Needham, Pete Skelly, Tim Porter, Greg Panzanaro,

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes from January 13, 2026. Lou Ann/Greg All in favor

Proposal made by Lou Ann to have a watermark saying Draft on each page of the minutes until they are approved by the board at the next meeting.

MSC: Lou Ann DiNardi/Greg Starker All in Favor

Treasurers Report – Terry Weber

Checking account- \$15,821.17 Savings- \$11,959.98 PayPal- \$337.15 Fundraising- \$427.00
Fam Fund- \$36,090.28 8.87% Total Assets: \$64,635.58

Terry heard from Elma's Tax Service- Terry confirmed taxes for non-profits are due by 5/15/2026.

MSC: Tony/Greg

Committee Reports

Dam Report – Bob Hurry/Tony Irvin

The approval for the weed treatment permits are still in process. Bob will notify the board when the permits are granted. The MCA received a letter from a former board member concerning the board at the dam which was also sent to the DEC. We will wait to see what the DEC says; we will not remove the board from the dam at this time due to ice.

Lake Management – Lewis Needham

Waiting to receive the testing kits. Testing will resume after the ice is off the lake.

Membership Committee – Vivian Ferraro

No update at this time as Vivian is away.

Finance Committee – Tim Porter

The Finance Committee met via Zoom call on 3/3/2026. Waiting for committee chairs to submit their budgets so we can move on making a consolidated budget for 2026. As the MCA works with outside entities for things like grants, we will need to provide budgets and financial reporting like Profit and Loss (Income Statements).

Looking at what financial reporting capabilities exist with the current software in use. Our focus will be better financial reporting and the system in place is somewhat limited. We will work with the current system but look into upgrading later as needed. I asked Terry to look into producing an Income Statement with month to date, year to date and budget columns.

A community member and family are still interested in sponsoring a matching gift program. Will update the board when I know more. Barb and I are working on a promotion and will report on that if we move forward with it and send it to Linda for approval to post to the website.

Social Committee – Lou Ann DiNardi

The Social Committee did not meet last month. The kids ice fishing tournament was held in February and the MCA provided refreshments and snacks. A donation box which collected 95.00. Expect to have the next Social Committee Meeting sometime next week.

Next fundraiser- working with the Flower Power website to sell spring bulbs. More details to come.

Tony- e-bike raffle- Congratulations to our winner Bob Hurry. The raffle raised approximately \$3,200.

Boat Launch – Greg Starker/Pete Skelly

No agreement at this time. See Old Business

New Business

The Duane Lake website listed a town meeting would be held 2/26/2026 with the town of Duanesburg. Linda and Terry attended not representing the MCA but to listen to what the Town of Duanesburg, DEC and Duane Lake were doing together. The meeting was about the culvert on the lake that was too high and interfering with the water flow. Town officials said the cost of repairs would run between \$50,00 to \$90,000 and that there was no money in the budget for it. Linda spoke with Alan Knight, Treasurer, from Duane Lake and he stated that the town has spent a good deal of money on their lake. Their board has put nonstop pressure on the town for support and are working with several board members on writing grants to cover cost. Linda was given Bonnie Starr's name at Division of Water to contact about setting up a presentation for Mariaville Lake. The MCA will probably do the same regarding grants. Will let the board know when Linda hears from Bonnie.

Boat Launch - Linda was contacted by the fire department and a meeting with the directors is scheduled for March 18. Larry agreed to attend along with Tony and Linda to represent the MCA. The MCA would be agreeable with a year-to-year lease and a 2-4 million insurance policy if the FD agrees. Will need to complete the work that was agreed upon last year for the launch as it was not completed. Last year Larry did not charge the MCA for the insurance coverage. Depending on an agreement this year, we might have to divide the cost of the insurance between the people using the boat launch. Further discussion on this till after the meeting on 18th.

Old Business

Bob – Weed treatment application in process with Pond and Lake, waiting for permit approval from the DEC and Bob will notify the board as soon as he hears. The application applied to the weeds last year degraded the weeds to the extent that we should see a big reduction this year. We will assess the outcome of the application this year and residents and the board will decide future steps to weed control. Spoke with Garrett Yuseff at DEC and he requested signatures of the board members who voted on the weed treatment. Since several members were away, they agreed to accept confirmation of the vote by email, sent 14 email responses. 9 yes votes, 4 no votes, 1 vote abstaining, 1 did not vote.

If residents have questions regarding the process of the weed application and the chemicals being applied, they should be referred to the DEC as they approve the permits.

Residents can manage the weeds in front of their homes with no permit needed.

There are concerns about the amount of lily pads growing along both sides of the causeway. Pink flowers are native to the lake but the white ones are invasive. If they obstruct a resident's access to the use of the lake they are permitted to remove them.

We will be contacting the town regarding the culvert on Weast Rd and Mud Pond as the flow of water is being obstructed by weeds and debris around the fence.

Meeting adjourned: 8:17pm Tim/Lou Ann All in favor

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