

**Drum Point Property Owners' Association
General Membership Meeting
Drum Point Club
March 21, 2026
Final**

Board Members present: Tony Spakauskas, Mike Chaconas, Bonnie Blades, Susan Rork, Allen Fine, John Latham, and Adrian Stanton

Board Members not present: Mike Snapp and Ginny Rice

Staff present: Rhea Webster – Association Manager

Tony Spakauskas, President of the Board of Directors for the Drum Point Property Owners' Association (DPPOA), called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. With 40 memberships in good standing represented (21 by mail in ballot, 19 in person), a quorum was present allowing business of the Association to be conducted.

President's Remarks: Tony Spakauskas commented about the rise in costs (insurance, asphalt etc.) and stated that the increase in fees for the upcoming fiscal year was unavoidable. He also spoke about the fact that it's been reported that some people are burning toxic materials as exhibited by the noxious smell coming from the area in question. If someone witnesses this, they should call the fire department or the Calvert County Sheriff's office. He reminded everyone also about the coming summer break from school.

Approval of Minutes: Time was allowed for those present to review the minutes from the previous meeting (distributed at the door and posted on the website). Gina Swartwood made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2025, meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. The minutes were approved as written.

Office Update: Rhea reported the following:

- Payments are being posted for fees that were due March 1, 2026 (FY 2027).
- Property sales seem to have increased with the coming of spring.
- Habitat for Humanity will be staging a pickup point across the street from the Association office on three Saturdays in the coming months. Community emails will be sent prior to the date, and the newsletter will include an announcement if the dates align with the date of publication of the newsletter.

Committee Reports

Operational/Roads Committee: No Report

Finance Committee: The Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement were distributed at the door.

Safety Committee: No report

Environmental Committee: Bonnie Blades said that she will be inspecting the usual areas for Phragmites (invasive plant) to determine if treatment is needed this year. For information about Phragmites, go to the following link on the Association website: <https://dppoa.org/environment>.

Welcoming Committee: No report

Planning Committee: No report

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Unfinished Business: None scheduled.

New Business: Presentation of Slate of Candidates for FY 2027. The following was noted:

- There are four open seats for the upcoming fiscal year, which begins July 1, 2026.
- There are ordinarily just three open seats each year, however, Jack Andre – Board Treasurer, was forced to resign due to an unfortunate accident. Mike Chaconas, a retired accountant, has served on the Finance Committee for a number of years and agreed to be appointed. The by-laws require that he now run if he wishes to continue on the Board in the next fiscal year.
- The Slate of Candidates is as follows:
 - Allen Fine
 - Ginny Rice
 - John Latham
 - Mike Chaconas
- Tony Spakauskas called for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, the following motion was made:

Motion: Dan Mathias made a motion to accept the Slate of Candidates as presented. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. All absentee ballots voted in favor of the slate and subsequent motion to accept by acclamation (if nominations were made from the floor).

Public Comment:

- Allen Fine reminded everyone about the upcoming Osprey Festival which will take place in North Beach on April 18th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. In response to a concern about the decreasing number of Osprey nests, Allen informed the group that there will be speakers at the festival that can speak to these concerns.
- In response to concerns voiced about people placing dried vegetation on vacant lots: property owners and residents are discouraged from disposing of tree trimmings etc. in a vacant lot as it can become fodder for fires in a dry season. However, the Association has no power to prohibit people from placing vegetation on their own lot.
- Susan Rork informed the group about the upcoming cleanup day scheduled for May 16th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. One bin is for metal recycling, and the Association pays no fee for that bin. The second bin is for other items, such as old furniture, washers, baby toys, etc. There is a delivery fee of \$250 for that bin, and the Association pays for the weight of the items.
- Patty Malenfant responded to questions about how to join the Drum Point Club, stating that there are brochures in the lobby.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m. The next meeting of the membership will be scheduled for June 2026 (date to be determined).