

TOWN OF MARILLA CONSERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: July 3, 2007

1. Call to Order

Roger Gustavel called the meeting to order at 6:41 pm

Members Present: Roger Gustavel; Warren Cullen, Sr.; Joe Lankes; David Coder; Pat Blarr

Town Council Rep Present: Fred Specht

Town Consultant: Jason Engel

2. Approval of Minutes

Warren Cullen moved and David Coder seconded the approval of minutes from the CAB meeting held on June 5, 2007.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 MOTION: Carried

3. Reports from Board Members

Fred Specht discussed the CAB draft letter to the Town Board regarding dumping in the town park. Further discussion will follow later in the meeting.

Roger discussed interest from 1 town resident in the Pace program. More discussion will follow later in the meeting.

Joe Lankes reminded CAB of public hearings that will take place July 12.

4. Unfinished and New Business

PACE - Jason Engel presented CAB with a draft "NYS Farmland Protection Implementation Projects-Town of Marilla P.A.C.E. Program Rating Criteria and Questionnaire" which he developed. These documents were reviewed, clarified and discussed and some changes were suggested. These documents will be used with PACE applicants and completed during the interview process.

Jason asked Roger Gustavel for the names and phone numbers of the current residents interested in PACE and will contact them to set up meetings with them in town hall. Jason will get possible dates from these residents, contact Roger with these dates, Roger will contact all CAB members with these dates so that a CAB member can participate in these meetings. Jason expressed that these meetings should take place within the next

two (2) weeks. By August, Jason and CAB hope to be able to rank the applicants, as required by the State Ag and Markets.

Town Park – Roger Gustavel moved and Pat Blarr seconded approval of the draft letter to the Town Board regarding dumping in the Town Park **with the deletion of one sentence**. The letter will be changed to reflect this request and delivered to the Town Board.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 MOTION: Carried

Town Park Planning – Jason Engel presented CAB with a map of the Town Park which he developed and included the suggestions of our members from our walk-through in June. After reviewing the map and much discussion CAB decided the following phases for the Town Park Master Plan:

Phase I – A fitness path will be developed along the perimeter of the “Meadow” section of the park. Jason will provide preliminary measurements such as the distance and width of the path and a rough estimate as to the cost of this phase. CAB also plans to include placement of benches along the path. This path is intended for walking/hiking and biking, at this time. Fred Specht informed CAB that the Town Highway Dept would provide the labor, etc. for Phase I.

Phase II – A connecting path that runs north to south from the “Observation Overlook” section of the park to the Recycling Center.

Phase III – A track that loops through the “Woods” section of the park and connects across the “Swamp” section of the park. This track is intended for walking/hiking, at this time.

Phase IV – Develop the current “Shrub/Scrub” section of the park into an active recreation area of the park.

4. Adjournment

At 8:37 pm Roger Gustavel moved and Warren Cullen seconded to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 MOTION: Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Blarr
CAB Clerk