

TOWN OF MARILLA CONSERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 5, 2007

1. Call to Order

Roger Gustavel called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm

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

Town Council Rep Present: Fred Specht

2. Approval of Minutes

Joe Lankes moved and Pat Blarr seconded the approval of the minutes from the CAB meeting held on May 1, 2007.

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION: Carried

3. Ongoing Business

The purpose of this meeting was for CAB to do a walk-through the Town Park. The walk-through began from the parking lot and headed northeast. Many suggestions, ideas, questions and much discussion occurred regarding the inventory of the park features. CAB came up with the following ideas to contemplate:

- 1) Walking path along the boundary of the park that is open green space
- 2) Bike path along the boundary of the park that is open green space
- 3) Combine a walking/bike path along the boundary of the park that is open green space
- 4) Include simple exercise stations along above-mentioned walking/bike path
- 5) Hiking through the part of the park that is wooded and various levels of grade
- 6) An overlook area at the west end of the wetlands to observe various flora and fauna and bird life
- 7) Cross-country skiing in the winter

Fred Specht excused himself at approximately 7:00 pm.

Jason Engel, Town Consultant, arrived at approximately 7:15 pm.

At the area of the park where wetlands is located CAB observed that the one end closest to the driveway/walking path was being used as a dumping spot. Many trees, at least one vehicle tire and other refuse could be seen. This concerned CAB and communication will be made to the Town Council regarding this matter. CAB will request the Town Council to issue and enforce a policy immediately to stop such dumping and to make

dumping in the Town Park illegal. CAB believes dumping in the Town Park works against the very goals and objectives we are trying to accomplish.

The CAB spent two (2) hours exploring the perimeter and other areas of the park.

**MARILLA TOWN PARK
INVENTORY OF FEATURES**

| Feature/Item | Qty | Comments |
|----------------------------|--------|--|
| Ponds | 2 | |
| Shelters | 6 | |
| Gazebo | 1 | |
| Playgrounds | 1 2 | Small Regular Size Playgrounds are scattered around shelters, etc. |
| Parking areas | 3 | |
| Restroom Facilities | 1 | |
| Tennis Courts | 2 | |
| Volleyball Courts | 1 | |
| Baseball/Softball Diamonds | 1 | |
| Basketball Court | 1 | |
| Soccer Field | 2 | Located at east end of the park along the Eastwood Road boundary |
| Electric Supply | None | |
| Drinking Fountains | None | |
| Birdhouses | 3 | 1 located by tennis courts 1 located at the side of the hill behind the restroom facility 1 located by the oak tree line |
| Grills | | |
| Driveway/walking path | 1 | Located through wooded area; ends at landfill area |
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The CAB decided the next meeting in July would be spent as follows: first half working on the Town Park goals and objectives and the second half working on PACE

4. Adjournment

At 9:24 pm Roger Gustavel moved and Warren Cullen seconded to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 MOTION: Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Blarr
CAB Clerk