

TOWN OF MARILLA
CONSERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: **June 3, 2008**

1. Call to Order

The June CAB meeting was held at the Marilla Town Park. Present at the meeting were members Roger Gustavel, Jim Heinrich, Joe Lankes, Jay Walkowiak, & Dave Coder. Also in attendance were Councilman Fred Specht, Earl Gingerich, and Ron Unverdorben. The meeting opened at 6:50 PM.

2. Approval of Minutes

Jay W. made a motion to accept the May minutes as written. Dave C. seconded the motion. Motion was approved, 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

3. New Business

Earl Gingerich was given the floor. He presented to the members his intention to submit his 39 acre parcel on Three Rod and Liberia Roads for PACE consideration again this year. He described the parcel to the members and why he thought it was suitable for PACE consideration.

Mr. Gingerich also told the board of his desire to protect another parcel of land from development. He offered to donate the development rights to 35 acres of land located in the center of Marilla hamlet (Colby property). He would only ask that the town pay the costs associated with the transaction which he estimated to be roughly \$8,000. This would save the town and the State thousands of dollars while adding to the town's PACE portfolio. This property is located next to the fireman's grounds and has been used in the past for many activities at the fireman grounds. He presented reasons that a conservation easement would be an asset to the town.

Next on the meeting agenda was to review the phases of town park development as planned by the CAB in 2007. These phases were discussed with Ron Unverdorben who is currently the Deputy Highway Supervisor and park supervisor. Ideas were shared regarding these phases as well as some other new thoughts for the park. Discussion of the walking / bike path ensued. Ron U. stated that he would look into the equipment that would be needed and the costs of materials.

4. Unfinished Business

Dave C. presented 4 different designs for a "Right to Farm" sign. Members discussed the designs and agreed they should obtain a quote on one of these designs.

5. Adjournment

Joe L. motioned for adjournment of meeting at 8:30. approved.

5 AYES: 0 NAYES: MOTION: Carried

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Gustavel
CAB Chairman