

Moreau Conservation Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2009

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mary Meade, at 6:35pm. Also present were members Reed Antis, Ramona Bearor, Mary Jenkins, and Shelley Englert. Councilwoman Gina LeClair also attended.

Mary Meade and Gina LeClair gave an in-depth report on the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) Local Waterfront Revitalization Program grant proposal for the Hudson River waterfront park. The proposal is due September 16 and they have spent many hours preparing the submission papers. The total project estimate is approximately \$60K.; the amount we hope to receive from the grant is \$30K, with a significant portion of the town's share acquired through like kind services and volunteer hours. They also informed the committee that the town has received four responses to the request for proposal. Discussion followed on the need to talk about the proposed park to neighbors and other citizens, and for the committee to get a feel for the public's position on the waterfront development as a passive recreation area. It would be helpful for committee members to take photos of waterfront areas in other towns as examples of what each of us envision for our own park.

Gina LeClair and Mary Meade then brought the committee up to date on the Saratoga County Program for Arts Funding (SPAF) grant. They have interviewed Gary and Ann Larson, photographer and artist respectively, and are impressed with their professional abilities as well as their vision of how our proposal will go forward. This grant proposal is very complex; Gina and Mary will complete it after they get the waterfront park grant request off their desks.

Extended discussion followed on a name or slogan for the SPAF grant request. This will be used for publicity, press releases, posters, tickets to reception, etc. and will get a lot of exposure. After many ideas were tossed around, the committee decided on "Reflections of Moreau."

With no other pressing issues, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ramona Bearor, secretary
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