

Danby Conservation Advisory Council
May 16, 2011
Minutes

Present: Sue Beeners, Christina Konnaris (IC Intern), Jake Brenner, Mary Ann Barr, Joel Gagnon, Tom Gavin, Dan Klein, Julie Kulik, Betsy Keokosky, Ted Crane

Betsy joined us to talk about us collaborating with Danby Land Bank Cooperative organization. Overview of their mission: to offer agriculture assessment in exchange for use of land to grow biomass. Currently over 400 acres.

Absent copies, the April minutes were not approved; will do next month.

Christina Konnaris (Summer IC intern) and Jake: What will Christina be doing for us this summer? Her Contact information is: [ckonnar1@gmail.com], (845) 527-0798
She will do for us what Karen Edelman did for CEA committee. Assemble available data, presenting various categories/themes. (multi criteria assessment) to characterize open space town-wide, as well as help with Danby Fun Day outreach.
For Evening Programs, Danby Fun Day: Display created? (with Mary Ann) Brochure? Poster? Weather proof maps with acetate overlays? Christina and Mary Ann will collaborate to work this out.

Idea from Dan: take our zoning laws (min lot size, road frontage, etc), press a button and see the maximum number of buildings that could be built (graphic display of buildout analysis). Jake: what is Open Space? What is our definition? Let's use it consistently. Need a list of what land is most at risk.

Jake and Christina will bring maps and other data to next meeting.

Sue expressed wish to be able to manipulate the data.

June 22nd Jennings Pond Evening Program:

Julie will contact Bill Evans and get back to Ted with title/theme for this event.

Hand out (Christina), Dan – will write copy (blurb about the group), possibly create map with lands at risk (more likely for Danby Fun Day)

Tent/table – Julie will organize setting this up.

Banner – Mary Ann Barr will create this with lettering (to also use at Fun Day)

Logo/ letterhead brainstorming:

Email Mary Ann with title ideas for display.

Logo ideas shown, and discussed, Mary Ann will bring ideas to next meeting.

Chelsea Maraz will be here for the next meeting, reporting on the land survey that IC students conducted on land use and receptivity to land easements.

Submitted by Julie Nichols Kulik