Moreau Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes August 12, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Mary Meade at 6:35pm. Present were Gina LeClair, Shelley Englert, Mary Jenkins, Pat Walters and Joe Orlow.

Joe Orlow was introduced as new member of the committee.

Gina LeClair announced the RFP's were sent out.

2 grants – due September 16 and September 30, 2009; Saratoga Performing Arts Grant – Gina LeClair & Mary Meade contacted Gary Larson, professional photographer. His wife, Ann Larson is an artist. Ann Larson conducts painting workshops all over the country. She will submit proposal to include in grant. Gary Larson will submit information re photography workshop, the focus to be on composition, rather than operation of camera equipment. Possible showing results of workshops at the village museum.

Mary Meade passed around information on green grants.

Discussed possible Bikeway connections to Rec Park –via railroad tracks – to new proposed town bldg on rte 197. Possible partnership with Washington County...Parks & Trails planning to develop bike path via east side of Rte 4.

Discussed "Pocket Parks" concept – community and/or organization involvement in design and maintenance of pocket parks. Pocket Parks could be placed at the four "entrances" to the Town of Moreau, enhancing the appearance.

Discussed Canada Geese health and esthetic issues. It was noted that many areas have signs warning against feeding waterfowl due to transmission of disease. Moreau Lake has information posted on their bulletin boards as well as "do not feed the geese" signs. Discussed problems caused by feeding geese and mowing along shorelines.

Water revitalization plans – High priority with waterfront plans.

Gina LeClair requested that committee members give thought to a "catchy" slogan to use for the grant proposal at the next meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 6:30pm at the Moreau Town Hall.

Adjourned 7:15
Respectfully submitted,
Pat Walters
Moreau Conservation Advisory Council