Danby Community Council Minutes
February 3, 2011

Attending: Bob Strichartz, Bob Chase, Joel Gagnon, Ted Crane, Pat Curran, June Pollack, and Christel Trutmann. Also Ric Dietrich, Julie Clougherty, Kenny Makosh, and Tim and Julian Pettiway.

Minutes from the January meeting were approved.

A motion was made to thank June for her “spiffy” work as secretary.

Danby Community Park Association: Julie Clougherty, current president of the Danby Community Park Association, spoke to us about the park’s development and its status today. The park is dependent on donations for income, owes $50,000 to the Tompkins Trust Company, and suffers from low volunteer participation. The current board is looking to open communication with the DCC to brainstorm feedback and development strategies.

Concerts: Bluegrass/Celtic violinist Laura Orshaw is tentatively planned for March 27. Soprano Joanna Manning is planned for April 10. Six concerts are intended for the year, not including music for the West Danby picnic or Fun Day.

Youth Services: Ric Dietrich spoke with us about Danby’s recreation and youth services. Danby’s Recreation Partnership contract expires this year, and a new contract would be needed by June. There’s some concern that residents aren’t informed of how they can benefit from Danby’s participation in the Recreation Partnership, and that some cutting/consolidation may be necessary between Recreation Partnership and Youth Services programming. It was proposed that Asher would meet with Dylan Race, and that we may need to consider some kind of community meeting to find out how/whether residents are using the programs.

Next meeting will be March 3, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.