

Corinth Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 2, 2012

Present: Earl Adams, Anne Margolis, Frank Roderick, Ginny Barlow, Emily Rowe, Linda Tobin, Gabe Zoerheide

Absent: Shari Tkac, Kerry DeWolfe

Ginny Barlow chaired the meeting, which came to order at 7:03 p.m.

1. The minutes from the March 5, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Frank made a motion to approve the March minutes, with the amendment that we asked the Selectboard to appoint Gabe (rather than that we appointed Gabe). Linda seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
2. Ginny will take \$105 to Susan from the donation bottle, which includes a \$10 donation from Randy McFarline from his birdhouse sales. The CCC will reimburse \$16 to Anne for the trash barrel she purchased next time the donation jar fills up.
3. Ginny relayed issues with the CCC bottle collection. It looks like ECGS will only take bottles from brands they sell henceforth. Ginny had started to move our collected bottles to Bradford. Frank will talk with Renee this weekend to see if we can work something out where they set aside bottles from brands they don't sell so that we can take them to Bradford for further processing.
3. Schedule for picking up bottles at the transfer station for the next few weeks:
 - 4/7 Frank
 - 4/14 Anne
 - 4/21 Gabe
 - 4/28 Ginny
 - 5/5 Linda
4. Cookeville Mall Schedule (we're going to take turns covering two months' of scheduling duties each starting now; the Mall will be open 9-12 on Saturdays starting in May):
 - May/June: Ginny will do the scheduling
 - July/August: Linda will do the scheduling
 - September/October: Emily will do the scheduling
5. The invoice for the loon program was \$320, including travel. Anne made a motion to approve the invoice; Linda seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Ginny will deliver it to Susan.
6. Town Forest: Frank said that Chris Groschner has volunteered to prepare a sign out of plate steel, cutting the letters out with a plasma cutter. A question about Sue's property tax bill has come up, but it should be all set (no taxes). The Town Forest Committee is

working on a vision statement and will welcome other ideas (perhaps they can solicit input with the next newsletter).

7. The next newsletter will cover May/June/July, and we'll need to get Nancy items in the last week of April. Perhaps we can include an item from Earl about seeking streambank planting hosts as well as something from Emily about Green-Up Day.
8. Events: Steve Long's More Than a Woodlot program will be 4/27; Emily will make a poster and email it around for us to print out and put up around town. Anne and Ginny will coordinate on the other publicity stuff. Anne emailed John Sutton about a bird walk; we'll just go ahead and schedule it if he's available and will simply send it out to the CCC list and ask for RSVPs. We might want to try Alcott Smith for September rather than May – so we'll keep it on the agenda.
9. Green-Up: We have permission to do a raffle drawing at the CHS music night on May 5, at the start of open mike (~8:30 p.m.). Emily will try to make an announcement about Green Up Day at the 4/7 CHS music event. For the raffle, 1 bag = 1 ticket. Emily is sending out the first round of requests for raffle prizes. She'll also try to get folks to sign up for their roads at the 4/7 music night.
10. Anne discussed map possibilities, such as marking where we've planted trees and willows, built trails, etc. on the copy of the property tax maps that we possess. Gabe will look into digital layers. Anne passed the property tax maps on to Earl so he can look at potential properties for streambank planting.
11. Regarding Earl's streambank planting letter, Ginny will review it and cut it down for the newsletter. She'll circulate a draft for our review.
12. June 2 is National Trails Day – should we have something at the Town Forest? The CCC could hand out brochures for the other trails.
13. We have the invasive plants guides, and we can sell them for \$4 (cost) or \$5. We will try for a walk with Mike or Courtney June 16. Anne suggested we pay \$50 for 2 hours.
14. The Thetford and West Fairlee CCs would like to partner. 2012 is the Year of the Tree. They have Tom Wessels coming to Thetford on April 26th; Ginny will circulate information and we will help them publicize it.

Anne moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Linda seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes taken by Anne Margolis