

CORINTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES: June 2, 2014 (approved)

Present: Frank Roderick, Linda Tobin, Earl Adams, Marian Cawley, Glynn Pellagrino (arriving late). Guest: Ginny Barlow

Meeting called to order by consensus at 7:07 p.m.

Frank pointed out that there were no minutes to approve as the secretary (Marian!) had forgotten to send them out (though she did send them to Nancy Ertle). They will be available by next meeting.

Public Comment: **Roaring Ridge**: Ginny and Randy McFarline replaced the 6-inch board Randy had installed with an 8-inch-wide board. She asked if we could reimburse Randy the \$84.92 he paid for parts. Sign support is pressure-treated. / Ginny proposed that we replace the rotting picnic table at the site with a new one. Linda moved that we use CCC funds to do so, but not to exceed \$200, Earl seconded. The motion passed unanimously. / Ginny proposed in addition that we set a tentative date of July 19 for an unveiling of the sign, as Tania will not be back till then. Date was set, with a start time of 10:00 am.

Apple orchard: Grant is officially approved. Ginny asked for help getting fencing (covered by grant) – weighs around 200 lb. Ginny sent soil samples from each tree site to UVM for testing – tests show poor soil, only 1.9% organic matter. She will ask Terry Bradshaw (UVM Apple & Grape team) to come down and take a look at our site. She will notify CCC when this is to happen. The pH needs to be brought up by spreading lime. Ginny will check with grant administrator to ascertain constraints of grant – wondering whether it can be spread out over the grant term. Ginny's shopping list: fencing, picnic table (Roaring Ridge), hardware cloth (to put around bases of trunks to protect against rodents), hose. Marian moved to authorize reimbursement from CCC funds for anything not covered by the grant monies. Glynn seconded and motion passed unanimously. Marian volunteered to go with Ginny to Home Depot. The organization (contact, Wendy Richard) doesn't need more from us. Frank asked whether there is a time table for arrival of grant money. Glynn wasn't sure, but says we should receive a grant agreement soon (based on a letter he received from the organization, now in Frank's "white notebook"). Ginny reported that \$266 in tree donations had been given to Susan Fortunati, Town Treasurer. Marian will send out new watering schedule for orchard.

Bottle schedule: **6/7**: Marian, **6/14**: Earl, **6/21**: Frank, **6/28**: Linda, **7/5**: Glynn

Earl picked up \$105 from Redemption Center for previous Saturdays, turned over to Linda. We need to pick up money CCC bottle money from the Redemption Center once a month.

Recent events: Birding workshop w/ John Sutton on 4/25, not well attended but a lot of fun. Wild edibles workshop with Peggy Willey on 5/31, with 10 attendees.

Future CCC events: Second John Sutton birding workshop on 6/7 at 7:00 am, on Depot St. in Bradford. Different bird habitat from the 5/24 workshop.

New business: Glynn spoke with Adam and Miranda Moody-Miller. They are not interested in serving on the CCC. Linda has not yet spoken to Cindy Crawford, but will call her soon. Frank will talk to Melissa Mahony to assess her interest in joining CCC.

Frank pointed out that he "inherited" \$93.45 in petty cash from Anne Margolis when he took over as CCC chair.

Next meeting: July 7, 7:00 (Frank's birthday)

Wrap-up

Earl moved to adjourn the meeting. Linda seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15.