

CORINTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES: July 7, 2014 (approved)

Present: Frank Roderick, Linda Tobin, Marian Cawley, Glynn Pellagrino (arriving late), Gabe Zoerheide

Meeting called to order by consensus at 7:07 p.m. (Linda moved, Glynn seconded)

June minutes were approved with minor changes. (Linda moved, Glynn seconded, unanimously passed)

Bottles: Frank collected \$122 in May, and Earl collected \$105 the week of June 14, which he gave to Linda in her capacity as treasurer.

Bottle schedule: (Glynn will do his 7/5 bottle collection this week) 7/12: Gabe, 7/19: Marian, 7/26: Earl, 8/2: Glynn

Apple Orchard: Our grant is good for 2 years. Terry Bradshaw (UVM Apple and Grape Team) came at Ginny's request to check out the soil. He recommended incorporating lime at 2 tons/acre. Half will go on this summer and half next spring. Tom Loftus will spread manure to bring percentage of organic matter to an acceptable level. Ginny purchased fencing, hoses and fittings, and a hose reel. Fencing has not yet been installed. Dan Wing will mow orchard.

Recent events: Linda attended the birding workshop w/ John Sutton on 6/7 in Bradford. Fewer bird species were detected than at the workshop in Corinth on 4/25, but this one was better attended.

Future CCC events: **Roaring Ridge**. The panoramic photo of the view from the top of Roaring Ridge Trail was installed with Randy McFarline's help on June 23. Dedication day, originally scheduled for July 19, has been postponed till July 26 (rain date July 27) so that some of the key players can attend (in particular, Ginny and Tania Aebi). Marian will post an announcement about Roaring Ridge on the LRN on 7/8 or 7/9 and a reminder on July 16. Linda will send the same notice to the CCC email list on Sunday, 7/13. Glynn proposed that we have some refreshments. He will bring watermelon and Marian will bring lemonade. **Farm Tour**. COHASE has adopted the CCC's suggestion of a farm tour and the date has been set for 9/6. For now, Bradford and Corinth are the participants, but Gabe will be advertising to the rest of the COHASE towns. His goal is to raise \$500-600 for advertising and other costs and he asked if CCC would be willing to sponsor the event. Marian moved that the CCC allocate \$250 to this cause. Glynn seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New state law: The legislature has passed an amendment to the Open Meeting Law. Requirements include posting meeting minutes of organizations within 2 days of the meeting date. Many towns, including Corinth, have dismantled their Web Sites in response.

New business: The CCC will be absorbing the Town Forest committee (Dina Dubois, Kevin Eaton, and Courtney Haynes), but it is not clear when. The Forest management plan has to be approved by the Selectboard. When this happens, we will have three new members on our board.

Next meeting: August 8, 7:00

Wrap-up: Linda moved to adjourn the meeting. Glynn seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30.