

Corinth Conservation Commission

Minutes: December 7, 2015 (unapproved)

Present: Glynn Pellagrino (chair), Linda Tobin, Brad Wheeler, Kevin Buchanan (awaiting appointment), Kimberly Hotelling (at 7:30, also awaiting appointment), Ginny Barlow (member of public)

Meeting called to order by chair at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes: Review of November minutes, unanimously approved. (Marian moved, Linda seconded)

Agenda change: Added Ginny Barlow to the agenda.

Ginny had 4 issues to raise: 1) **request for reimbursement of \$334 orchard expense** (lime and fencing). Glynn moved to approve, Marian seconded, motion passed unanimously. / 2) **Steve Long's Hurricane of 1938 book** will be coming out March 22, and it was agreed that we should ask him to come and introduce, discuss, and possibly read from his book at a public gathering (something discussed already at a previous meeting). / 3) **Airing a movie about copper mines**. Ginny has seen it, thinks it is good, and says she can track down a copy for us. This led to some discussion about purchasing a projector so that we can show movies once a month (like the Bradford Conservation Commission does). / 4) **Cookeville Mall: Ginny wants to resign as scheduler/overseer**. The CCC will begin the process of replacing her. Ginny also wondered whether it should just be closed for the winter instead of open for 1 hour on Saturdays. We decided that could be up to whoever takes over for her as scheduler. There was some discussion also about putting limits on how much an individual can take and whether a donation should be required before people can take an item(s). The general consensus seemed to be no to both. No formal action was taken.

Coppermine movie: Maybe the Corinth Historical Society would like to bring some old maps of Corinth and do a joint presentation when we show the film. Ginny thinks the Vermont Historical Society has a wealth of information and resources about this.

Winter Tracking Workshop: Marian will call Alcott Smith about doing this. Possible locations would be the Roots School, behind Brad Wheeler's place, on Tenney Road (as previously), or in the wetlands across from Rick and Marian Cawley's place.

Square Dance: **Brad will pick up a disclaimer form from Waits River Valley School for their insurance files.** Linda approached Al Monty about calling the dance and he very generously agreed to do this for \$150, a discount from his usual fee. **Linda gave Brad a list of possible dates (2/5, 2/6, 2/19), and he will ask the school which of these dates would work with their gym schedule.**

Greening up: Brad wondered if in addition to Green-up Day we might want to invite people to "adopt" a section of their road to keep clean year-round. We don't want this to interfere with Green-Up Day, just to broaden people's participation in keeping our town clean. It was proposed that we could offer these people a free "grabber" for picking up the trash (less bending, cleaner hands). **Brad will ask Aubuchon whether we can order a case of grabbers through them and how much this would cost.**

Bottles: Brad brought \$21.20 in cash from bottle redemption in Barre. He noted that when he picked up bottles, the box of new garbage bags was not there, nor were the twisty ties. We will try to keep them in a less conspicuous spot from now on (in the used-garbage-bag trash can). Brad also noted that there is a fair amount of trash and nonredeemable receptacles in with our bottles. Glynn proposed that we do an educational monitoring of what gets put in the CCC bottle barrels. We might have to educate ourselves a bit about what is and isn't recyclable to do this. **Brad will draft a reminder to people about what's redeemable, circulate it through the CCC, and post it on the Local Resource Network.**

Bottle schedule for December-January: 12/5, Kevin; 12/12, Frank; 12/19, Kimberly; 12/26, Brad; 1/2, Glynn and Marian; 1/9, Linda and Brad (scheduled teams for the two Saturdays after New Year's, in anticipation of larger numbers of bottles/cans).

Next meeting: January 4, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 (Marian moved, Glynn seconded).

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Cawley