

Corinth Conservation commission

Minutes: February 5, UNAPPROVED

2018 Members present: Kevin Buchanan, Kevin Eaton, Glynn Pellagrino, Marian Cawley, Linda Tobin
Dina DuBois
Absent: Brad Wheeler

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm

I. Agenda change: Snow shoe walk under other business

II. Minutes of Jan 8, 2018. Add Glynn Pellagrino's name as present, change Asa Hathaway to ASA Porter. Glynn moved to accept those changes. Marian seconded. All in favor.

III. Action items: Dina email Shannon at NEKWMD the Austin, TX recycling education email. Send again to CCC members to watch videos and other links.

IV. Bottle Duty: Feb. 10-Marian, Feb. 17, Asa Porter, Feb. 24-Kevin E. March 3- Kevin B.

V. Green Up Day. Kevin reported Melissa's research on cost of Green Up T-shirts to be distributed at school and at the transfer station. 15 adult shirts each in small, medium and large. Design changes discussed to have a date or not, include Vermont after Corinth. Melissa will discuss with WRVS how the presentation at the school will motivate participation and to use the T-shirts for reward, motivation and safety (bright green color). Glynn moved to pay \$484.20 for 60 shirts for Green Up day. Kevin seconded. All in favor. Map for sign up to be taken after Town Meeting to the library for sign up. Having map at the East Corinth church might be problem of church and state separation.

VI. Winter events. *Winter tracking.* The Roots school winter tracking date is changed to March 24. Pruning of trees by cemetery March 10. Participation? Suggested to cut and pile branches and take them away. Marian and Glynn said they could help. ***Snow shoe walk.*** WRVS has lots of snow shoes. Dina and Marian will coordinate a snowshoe walk in the town forest before next CCC meeting March 5 2018 if possible. During school vacation or on a weekend? Vacation Feb. 18-24. Go out red trail to blue trail. Fire at the end?

VII. Composting Outreach and education. Ask Shannon at NEKWMD to come to the March meeting to discuss materials and programming for May education on food scraps, composting and recycling. Dina showed the Austen TX link on making composting bins, the video on composting to show at the public meeting, showed other recycling materials. We will sign up for "intent to purchase and participate" in a program through NEKWMD of offers of containers at a discount price. Rather than buy the composting bin for \$55 each, we may get the kitchen counter container for \$10 to offer at the public meeting. After watching the composting video we can pursue what type of products to purchase for the public education instruction and demonstration. Members were asked to watch the video and look at the Austen links.

VIII. Act 171 Town Planning. Glynn describes how town will be required to identify and have goals for "forests Blocks" and "habitat connectors" in town maps. To be continued.

IX. Act 174 Enhanced energy plans. To be continued. Dina noted story in Valley News about Net metering downsides.

X. Town Meeting. Glynn will not be there. Other members can answer any questions about purpose and budget.

XI. Orchard Management Plan. Dina reported that Ginny Barlow is willing to help and recommends establishing goals. Management plan will be on fall agendas. For now continue as is for mowing, weeding. Ginny advises drops do need to be picked up in the spring.

NEXT MEETING March 5, 7:00PM Corinth town Hall Meeting adjourned at 7:45. Linda moved to adjourn, seconded by Kevin B. All in favor. Respectfully submitted, Dina DuBois