Corinth Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2011

Present: Earl Adams, Anne Margolis, Frank Roderick, Ginny Barlow, Emily Rowe, Linda Tobin, Kerry DeWolfe

Ginny Barlow chaired the meeting, which came to order at 7:05.

1. Introductions of the new members, Emily Rowe and Kerry DeWolfe, were made.

2. The minutes from the October 3 meeting were reviewed. Frank moved to accept the minutes as presented. Linda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Frank presented a $100 gift certificate to E.C. Brown’s that was donated by Suzanne Smith to the Conservation Commission to use as the Commission desired. Everyone will keep an eye out for a place that could use a tree that would be purchased with the certificate.

3. Schedule for picking up bottles at the transfer station for the next few weeks:
   11/12  Kerry
   11/19  Anne
   11/26  Emily
   12/3   Frank

   Linda volunteered to call people the night before their bottle duty. Emily asked that she be called between 6 and 7 p.m., preferably.

4. Cookeville Mall: Ginny is still looking for someone else to do the scheduling for the mall. Is anyone willing to volunteer? Or have any ideas? Ginny has a query in to Lora Nielsen.

   Emily mentioned that people have started to leave things on the chairs outside the mall. For now, she’ll put those things inside during the week.

5. Town Forest: Ginny said the Town Forest Committee will be starting work on a forest management plan, and they’re interested in public involvement. The Town Forest has some events coming up over the winter, including snowshoeing and tree ID. Frank said that this past weekend, a crew performed trail work. The yellow trail is now the blue trail. The Committee welcomes anyone to go walk the trails specifically to determine if the signage is adequate.

6. Events: The Mary Holland event was declared a success, with approximately 60 people attending. Ginny asked if a Jan/Feb. Ben Kilham event on the social lives of bears would be a good idea, and everyone thought so. Anne will check in with Ben Kilham. Ginny also mentioned a loon program she had heard about – she will check in to it.
7. Ginny passed around a worksheet full of ideas for projects and areas of responsibility that hopefully each CCC member will adopt as their “own.” Kerry might be interested in taking on some of the trails work leadership. Emily is interested in Green Up Day coordination again. She has many ideas for this next year, including potentially using the Willis Theater for the celebration potluck. Emily can also help Ginny with the listserv; she wants to compare it with her Green Up listserv. She wants to include the school more, potentially through Shari.

The Commission members’ homework assignment before the December meeting is to look over the brainstorming list and consider what we do, or could do, both as a Commission and as individual members taking leadership positions over certain areas, such as trails or events or tree planting or streambank stabilization. We will report back in December on the areas over which we would like to each have stewardship.

Frank moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Anne seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes taken by Anne Margolis