CORINTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES: January 7, 2013 (approved)

Present:     Anne Margolis, Kerry DeWolfe, Linda Tobin, Frank Roderick; Earl Adams; Gabe Zoerheide:   Kerry DeWolfe prepared the minutes

The meeting was called to order by consensus at 7:11 pm.

The meeting was chaired by Kerry DeWolfe.

Gabe Z. turned over $117.30 in bottle money to the treasurer. Kerry D. reported that she had approximately $200 in bottle proceeds that she forgot to bring to the meeting. All agreed she should bring the monies to the February meeting.

The minutes from the December meeting were reviewed. Minor spelling changes were made. Anne M. moved that the minutes be approved. Linda T. seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The bottle collection assignments are as follows:

1/12    Anne McKinsey
1/19    Earl Adams
1/26    Frank R
2/2    Ginny Barlow

A discussion on the size of the bags followed. Ginny Barlow agreed to get the larger size from Oakes and leave them at Northern Woodlands. Kerry B. moved that the treasurer be authorized to reimburse Ginny for the bags. Linda T seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

Next meeting February 4, 2013

Ginny Barlow, emeritus, was recognized as a guest at the meeting.

Ginny suggested the possibility of the Commission sponsoring a program on sled dog racing by Charlie Berger, DVM. The anticipated cost is $250. A possible date of March 8 was discussed. Ginny agreed to get some further details. Anne M moved to approve and expenditure of $250 for this presentation. Frank R seconded the motion which passed with all being in favor. Ginny will work with Anne McKinsey to develop a poster for this presentation.
A discussion of land conservation issues followed. Ginny reviewed the work of the Orange County Headwaters project. Strategies for maintaining open land and educating land owners about conservation options were discussed. Frank R. agreed to speak with Two Rivers about inventorying. Anne M will keep the Commission updated on ANR issues that potentially impact the town. Ginny B will consult with others on the best current thinking on how to educate/inform citizens about land conservation policies and programs.

Alcott Smith’s program was well attended and well received. All of the informal reviews were very positive. Anne M. moved that the Commission pay Alcott Smith as per the agreement. Linda T seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Energy Commission has asked for financial assistance with its plan to mail information about the Property Assessed Clean Energy program to town residents as the Town’s participation in the program will be considered at Town Meeting. The Energy Committed estimated that it would need up to $300 for this purpose. Kerry D. made motion that the Commission authorize the payment of up to $300 to the Energy Committee for the purpose of mailing information about the program to town residents. Lind T seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition.

Frank R will chair the February meeting.

The mail was reviewed and nothing of interest was found. Linda T will contact the land owners to follow up with the placement of new signs at the Roaring Ridge trail head.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:12