Corinth Conservation Commission
Minutes: June 6, 2016 (approved)

**Present:** Glynn Pellagrino (chair), Linda Tobin, Marian Cawley, Frank Roderick, Kevin Buchanan. **Guest:** Rebecca Buchanan, Green-Up Coordinator

Meeting called to order by chair at 7:11 p.m.

Agenda additions: None

Minutes from May 9, 2016 unanimously approved (Marian moved, Frank seconded).

**Action items:**
- Marian will make LRN post about Peggy Willey’s wild-edibles workshop.
- Linda will contact the bat rehabilitator
- Linda will try to retrieve grabbers given out on Green-Up Day

**Green-Up Follow-Up:** Becky brought Green-Up Day Statistics for the group. Total cost to the town was $451.74, a difference of $168.18 from last year. The number of volunteers was up by a lot (8 to 57). There were a lot of tires (cost based on weight, not number) and some question about whether some tires were dropped off that weren’t green-up tires. Overall, the day was a success, with many volunteers separating the recyclables from trash. Only four people took advantage of the offer of grabbers. Of those, a couple people were interested in adopting their stretch of “highway” and can keep their grabbers. Linda will try to retrieve the others. Becky recommended that we add green-up costs to our annual budget.

**Orchard Work Day Follow-Up:** A big success. There were 11 volunteers, and all the items on the task list were completed. A new pear tree was planted, and all trees were mulched and composted. Weed-whacking was done as well. A small amount of the grant money still needs to be spent by June of 2017. Glynn will write up the report that is required under the terms of the grant. We have pictures from the various work days. Kevin proposed that we put a bench up in the orchard for people to sit and enjoy the space. It was also suggested that we have an annual orchard/apple festival, details to be pondered.

**Summer Events:** Sunday, June 26, 10:00-12:00 – Wild Edibles Workshop with Peggy Willey.

**Town Forest Hearing:** July 11, meeting for public input at a regular Selectboard meeting.

**Bottles:** Frank had a cash deposit for bottles for $163, and Linda picked up another $105 on Saturday (April 2).

**Bottle duty:** 6/11, Brad; 6/18, Kevin; 6/25, Glynn; 7/2, Marian

**Other Business:** Linda proposed inviting Bat Man (a fellow who, with his wife, rehabilitates bats) to make a presentation to the town to increase awareness and satisfy curiosity. Linda proposed also making a donation to his efforts. Instead, we will add in our letter to him that if there’s anything the Commission could do to help with his rehabilitation project, he should let us know. Linda will make contact.

**Next meeting:** July 7, 2016 (because the first Monday is July 4)

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 (Marian moved, Frank seconded).

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Cawley