Corinth Conservation Commission Minutes March 5, 2018 UNAPPROVED

Members Present: Dina DuBois, Brad Wheeler, Marian Cawley, Kevin Buchanan, Kevin Eaton, Glynn Pellagrino Member absent: Linda Tobin. Guests: Melissa Easton, Ken Arkind, Shannon Choquette

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

<u>I. Minutes</u> of Feb. 5, 2018. Kevin Eaton moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Marian Cawley. All in favor. Dina will not be at the April 2nd Meeting. Marian will write the minutes. <u>II. Action Items</u>: Glynn: cancel "intent to purchase" kitchen containers. Kevin- receipt for T shirts to treasurer.

III. Universal recycling and Composting Shannon Choquette of NEKWMD attended the meeting to help plan Corinth's efforts to increase awareness and educate citizens about food scrap composting and recycling in preparation for the 2020 ban on food scraps in Vermont Landfills. A demonstration of how to mix food scraps with sawdust and hay will take place at the transfer station with a Soil Saver that she will bring to Corinth. The discounted cost of that is \$45 rather than \$100. Glynn will bring hay, Shannon will bring sawdust. That Transfer Station demonstration will be on May 12. Shannon will bring handouts for distribution that day that describe the 1,2,3 of backyard composting. Shannon will check on the cost of the outreach for copies of the handout. Sunday May 20 Shannon will hold an educational forum at the town hall to show videos on how to compost, provide several Soil Savers there to sell and to raffle off. She will need to know how many to bring. There will be two kinds of flyers at this education session to give out. By attending this forum participants can buy the Soil Saver at the reduced price.

IV. Green Up Day. Ken suggested and the members agreed to give an award to the person who brought in the most Green Up trash on May 5. Perhaps a plaque will be put on the picnic table. The Green up T shirts will be handed out as people get Green Up bags. Melissa will promote Green Up day at the school and offer the green T-shirts to interested students for safety and participation. Green Up day will be discussed at Town Meeting under "other business". The receipt for \$484.20 for the T-Shirts will be given to the town treasurer. Ken and Melissa will be organizing volunteers for Green Up Day with the map and bags at the library and the Town Hall.

V. <u>Town Meeting address</u>. Glynn will describe the CCC's goals and activities and explain the town contribution, which helps support grant applications. Melissa and Ken will promote Green Up day at Town Meeting.

VI. Tree pruning on Center Road will not take place this year. The forester who was going to do it has not been reachable.

VII. <u>Town Orchard Plan</u>. The plan needs goals. Ginny Barlow has said she will work with the CCC to create a plan.

VIII. <u>Town Plan.</u> Glynn has reached out to Dick Kelly, chair of the planning commission, in regard to input from the Conservation Commission around Act 171 and Act 174 which are part of the town plan process.

<u>IX. Other business</u>. *Snow Shoe event*. Because of difficulty for multiple vehicle parking spaces at Clement trail or the Town forest and snow plowing for access no snow shoe event this year. Next year possibly at NESLOPES. Discussion of *ordering kitchen pails* 20 or 30 at discount price for coming to the education meeting. Marian moved to cancel the "intent to order". Brad seconded. All in favor.

X. Bottle Duty: March 10- Brad, March 17- Dutton, March 24- Glynn, March 31- Linda Glynn moved to adjourn at 8:50. Marian seconded. All in favor. Respectfully submitted. Dina DuBois