

Corinth Conservation Commission
May 3, 2021 meeting agenda
7:00 PM Corinth Town Hall
Masks required (meeting outside if possible)

Present: Glynn Pellagrino, Jon Spanier, Ken Arkind, Kevin Buchanan, Bradley Wheeler, Linda Tobin, Lindle Lawton-Sutton, Kimberly Hotelling

Absent: Kevin Eaton

1) Call to order @ 7:05

2) Approval of April minutes: Glynn motioned; Ken 2nd; unanimous pass

3) Agenda changes: move items #9 & #10 up to #4; Lindle moved; Ken 2nd; unanimous pass

4) Public Comment; 9) Town forest story walk and trail work day; and 10) CCC and Blake Memorial Library butterfly program. Representing the library, Kimberly discussed library programs of interest to the CCC: a) Bird Walk with Bill Sheppard on 5/15 @ 7:30 am; b) town forest work day 5/22 and story walk 6/5; c) Butterfly talk by Ken McFarland on 7/12; and d) Steve H. from Audubon presenting a talk or walk on managing forests for wildlife and bird habitat. The CCC agreed to help inform the public about all of these events; to split Bill Sheppard's \$60 cost and pay the entirety of Ken McFarland's cost (about \$300); to hold a forest trail cleanup day on 5/22, purchasing stakes and other supplies needed for the story walk; and to provide support when details of the bird talk become available.

5) Green Up Day follow up: new records were set; 243 bags; 45 tires; 53 people/groups; awards to be presented on 5/22 at town forest cleanup day with celebration afterwards at Ken's.

6) Vermont tree grant for transfer station: Ginny wrote and town received \$1100 grant for the Transfer Station berm; 3 trees already purchased; CCC will provide assistance during a work day.

7) Corinth Community coalition bottle funds. Glynn motioned, Jon 2nd; unanimous pass of the following: precise calculation of bottle receipts will be done semi-annually in June and December and the CCC will give the CCC2 \$300 in advance of the initial calculation.

8) Town orchard work day @ 9 am 5/8

11) Act 171 outreach continued: the next objective is to organize presentations by Vermont Natural Resources Council at Town Hall and outdoor tours of key Forest Block lands in Corinth. Work on the landowners tool kit providing information on conservation easements, Current Use, and legacy planning will also begin. The idea was suggested to organize this information in the Blake Memorial library for interested people to use and learn more about the how to protect Corinth's high priority forest blocks and wildlife corridors.

12) Bottle duty: 5/8 Lindle; 5/15 Linda; 5/22 Dutton; 5/29 Lindle

13) Adjournment @ 8:55