Corinth Conservation Commission August 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes **DRAFT** 7:00 PM Corinth Town Hall

Present: Glynn Pellagrino, Ken Arkind, Lindle Lawton-Sutton, Katharine Lea (partial)

Absent: Luke Campbell, Travis Gendron, Miranda Moody-Miller

1) Call to Order @ 7:12pm

2) Approval of July minutes: Glynn/ Ken and unanimous approval

3) Agenda changes: add discussion of Transfer Station beautification

4) Public comment: none.

- 5) Act 171 Opportunities: CCC discussed Carbon Capture Benefits to forest parcels more than 30%. Ken talked with Marcus at Redstart, who stated Redstart is familiar with the project and is working with clients on enrolling land. He will give a presentation later in the year. It was agreed to do scout work on potential conservation opportunities of 30 acres or more in the High Priority Forest blocks so owners can be specifically targeted with mailed invitations to the talk on the financial benefits of conserving land through the program. Meeting likely to be in mid-October.
- 6) Town Orchard, mowing, signs, care. Mowing was discussed. It was agreed that it was preferable if Dean Gregoropolis could continue to mow the orchard, leaving the butterfly meadow with paths for owner privacy. Glynn has not been able to reach him. Katharine will try as well. Signs need to be ordered, as well as baskets organized for drops.
- 7) Clement Loop Trail- Lindle followed up with researchers to ask them about a research presentation to publicize the trail/ land and inform residents about the research stations. They will be coming into town monthly to monitor their research stations and are happy to have the trail reinstated but would like CCC members to hike the potential trail with them to review any impacts to their research stations. Dates will be set up via email, with a possible presentation of research in Nov/ Dec.
- 8) Bottles and signs- Ken is following up with the local sign maker that was on the Full Vermonty podcast to see about a sign. Relocation of the previous sign from the old Transfer station was also discussed. Bottle- Glynn September 3, Katharine September 10, Ken September 17, Lindle September 24.
- 9) Transfer Station beautification: Katharine noted that Ginny reached out to Barbara Soros of the Corinth Society of Gardeners about the project and the CSoG is willing to take on the design and some implementation but will need some funding and is eager for donations of perennials from CCC as well. When WRVS is back in session, the plan is to get all parties together to review plan and set up planting/maintenance workdays. Katharine will reach out to CSoG to find out how much funding they need.
- 10) Glynn is wrapping up the grant information for the Oak trees at the Fire Station including the in-kind donations of time/ labor/ etc. Final numbers to follow.
- 11) Adjournment Glynn/ Lindle @ 9:17pm.