Corinth Community Coalition October 22, 2023 Progress Report

1. Current account balance: \$2,314.44

2. Recycling Mural Project update:

Matt Denton met briefly with the art teacher at WRVS. She is committed to the project but needs more time to prepare. Jeff will try to meet with her to finalize a start date.

Jeff was informed by the Vermont Humanities Council that we did not get the grant for which we applied. He will contact Glenn Pellagrino, chair of the Corinth Conservation Commission, to ask them to increase their initial commitment to the project from \$300 to \$500.

Coupled with our commitment of \$500 and the \$500 grant we received from the Norwich Lions Club, we would be able to finance \$1,000 for materials and \$250 each for Matt Denton, art facilitator, and Jacqueline Labate, teen team building facilitator.

3. Corinth/Topsham Business & Services Directory update:

Miranda Clemson has agreed to replace Anne McKinsey as the website manager for the directory. Miranda created flyers for the directory that Jeff will be posting in Corinth, Topsham and Bradford. Jeff will also be posting periodically on the local Listserv and Bradford Listserv an ad to encourage more people to join the directory. Thus far, 2 new entrepreneurs have been added giving the directory 44 listings.

4. Corinth Quarterly Newsletter update:

Jeff met with C&M Copies & More in Wells River to get a preliminary quote. Their estimate was \$240 for black and white printing and \$20 for folding. They also recommended I determine the cost for a mailing permit they can use.

By way of information, our current town clerk maintains it's not in her job description to do the quarterly newsletter. She also informed Jeff she wasn't supportive for its continuance. Thanks to Anne McKinsey, Jeff was able to read the job description for town clerk that was advertised by the previous select board when Nancy Ertle retired. (Attached). As you'll see, the quarterly newsletter is listed as one of the responsibilities for town clerk.

Jeff communicated his concern to Nick Kramer, select board chair. He responded that the select board has no oversight over the town clerk since that's an elected position. Hence, they will not intervene.

Jeff will ask the select board if we can use the town printer and mailing permit. He will be attending the budget committee's November meeting and ask that funds be added to the town offices budget for the newsletter.

Submitted by Jeff Spiegel, Chair Corinth Community Coalition