Corinth Conservation Commission
Corinth, Vermont
April 21, 2025
DRAFT Minutes

Meeting started at 7:04 called to order

Land acknowledgement

Present- Glynn Pellagrino, Ken Arkind, Luise Graff, Lindle Sutton, Miranda Moody, Emily Marsh, and Mary Kent

Missing- Katharine Lea, Luke Campbell

Approval of March minutes

Public Comment

Miranda advised she runs a non- profit, originally partnered with Blake Memorial Library but recently ended up taking it over completely and it is called The Barra School (Camp.) Her non profit does overnight, camping, expeditions to name a few to help youth form a relationship with the natural world with conservation in mind, working mostly with the Waits River School. She was recently approached by two couples to see if Miranda wanted to purchase the A frame near her property and she purchased it. It is located in a wildlife corridor and near a black ash seepage swamp. Miranda is requesting a letter of support from the CCC as she was also given the opportunity to purchase another larger structure on 10 acres of land that adjoins her property. She has submitted a property acquisition grant through the VT Housing authority and if approved, and under the guidance of the UVLT, the grant would help to purchase the property and put it into conservation along with her adjoining property totaling approximately 30 acres. Miranda has presently raised about $15,000 but needs a total of about $44,000 on her end. The primary reason being, other than tent sites, she has no structure to provide cover for the students during bad weather, ie; thunder and lightning. She has rented cabins through the Dartmouth Outing Club in the past but it is a hassle to get calendars to match for cabin availability during inclement weather. Glynn moved that the CCC submit a letter of support. All members present were in agreement. Ken suggested along with the letter of support, the CCC assist in fundraising ideas to help Miranda reach her goal. Miranda will put more of a brochure type pamphlet together advising of her goals, and what is needed to reach those goals etc.

Anne McKinsey was not present to discuss GUD.

Emerald Ash Borer Talk hosted by the CCC is Thursday April 24 at 7 pm at the Corinth Town Hall

Glynn advised the bill for the VT Eco-studies talk was $250 and will submit to Lindle.

Act 171 information meeting-

Would like to set up a “job fair” type meeting in the future where there are representatives from different agencies to set up an informational type booth to provide further education on conserving properties. Possible meeting date in June

Orchard Work Day- May 10 at 9:30 am, Glynn to post on the Listserv

Town Forest Management plan- May not need to update plan, Glynn to check on that

Bottles-

May 3 Ken

May 10 Glynn

May 17 Open slot if anyone available to take this weekend

May 24 Lindle

May 31 Mary

Glynn was recently approached by Brad Wheeler regarding the CCC taking over monitoring vernal pool activity, requires 4 visits, sound recorder, egg masses check, etc

Adjournment at 8:45