

Corinth Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2009

Present: Penny Andrew, Ginny Barlow, Steve Long, Anne Margolis,
Randy McFarline, Frank Roderick, Shari Tkac

Guest: Kelly McFarline

The meeting came to order at 7:14 p.m.

Minutes:

The November 2, 2009 minutes were reviewed. Steve asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Frank moved, Ginny seconded and the minutes were approved as presented.

Bottle Redemption Program:

Schedule for December 2009/January 2010:

12/26/2009	Steve Long
01/02/2010	Randy McFarline
01/09/2010	Ginny Barlow
01/16/2010	Anne Margolis

Clement Loop Trail:

Picnic Table: Ginny suggested we put a picnic table somewhere along the Clement Loop Trail. We discussed using cedar materials. Build in winter, install in spring.

Signs: Randy made the signs; Ginny painted them. Ginny gave Shari a list of trees growing along the trail. Shari will stencil the tree names on the signs as a winter project.

Logging: A stand of red pines (5 or 6 acres) is being logged, using horses (low impact) along the trail.

Roaring Ridge Trail:

Liability Insurance: Steve reported the Caswell's concerns regarding liability. They wish to be held harmless and requested coverage under the town's insurance policy. They would also like to donate the tables and chairs already existing on site to the town to eliminate any personal liability.

Saturday, January 9, 2010, 1:00 p.m. "Dry Run" Trail Walk: We decided to walk the trail to scout it out prior to the grand opening walk on January 16.

Saturday, January 16, 2010, 1:00 p.m. Trail Walk: Snow shoes, hot cocoa!

Mini Grant:

Offered through the Vermont Recreation Trails Program. Anne and Ginny reported we are applying for a \$500 mini grant in order to purchase 1) round, metal trail markers; 2) brochures/maps; and 3) trail head sign. We would allocate the \$500 as follows:

\$50	picnic table materials
\$100	brochures/maps printing
\$150	signs
\$200	trail markers

Deadline to submit grant request is January 15, 2010. Anne Margolis will submit request.

Corinth Conservation Commission Events:

Fly Tying Class: Steve reported Hanover Outdoors suggested either two classes or a one-time introductory class. Suggested dates: January 19 and 21 or 26 and 28. There would be a "per person" fee for materials. Class size: 6 to 10 people.

VINS: Shari contacted Linda Conrad of VINS. Cost for live animal program would be \$275 plus mileage. Suggested dates: Wednesday evening (February 10, 2010 or February 17, 2010) at 7:00 p.m. to do a presentation on raptors. Perhaps hold at the Waits River School gym.

Button Up Workshop: Anne reported Walter Scott from Efficiency Vermont will speak. Scheduled for Friday, December 11, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. at the Corinth Town Hall.

Other Business:

Green Up Day: Penny announced she needs to have someone take over her Green Up Day commissionership. Shari said she may be interested. Anne asked Penny to write up a summary of responsibilities involved. Ginny asked if anyone from the Garden Club might be interested in helping out. Penny will check with the Garden Club members to see if there is any interest.

List of Volunteers: Randy suggested we advertise in the newsletter for volunteers to help out on an “as needed” basis for trail maintenance, etc. Anne suggested we e-mail the CCC mailing list.

Advertising the CCC: Steve reported Riki Sheridan might be interested in updating the CCC webpage with current events, monthly minutes, etc. Other suggestions: more ads and photos in the *Journal Opinion*; posters around town.

December 2009 Meeting:

The next CCC meeting will be held on Monday, January 4, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes taken by Kelly McFarline