

Corinth Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes (Unapproved)
January 3, 2011

Present: Earl Adams, Penny Andrew, Stephen Long, Anne Margolis, Frank Roderick, Martha Rosten, Shari Tkac, Linda Tobin.

Anne Margolis chaired the meeting, which came to order at 7:00.

- 1) Minutes from December 6, 2010 meeting were approved with one change. The correct amount for the deposit on Susan Morse workshop is \$225.
- 2) Anne went over the financial report for the Commission. Income for the fiscal year to date is \$2201.89. Expenses to date are \$1568.78 leaving a balance of \$534.11. Combined with a carryover from FY10 of \$1344.27, the CCC has an available balance of \$1878.38

The commission voted unanimously to pay the remainder of the Susan Morse invoice.

Shari delivered \$200.95 in cash from East Corinth General Store for bottle returns

Discussion of VT Forests, Parks and Recreation grant of \$450 ensued. It was decided that the \$50 remaining unspent from the grant be applied to the cost of installing a sign at the top of the Roaring Ridge trail that would identify the various mountains that people can see from the top.

- 3) Schedule for picking up bottles at the transfer station
 - January 8 Shari and Linda
 - January 15 Anne
 - January 22 Penny
 - January 29 Martha
 - February 5 Frank
 - February 12 Steve
- 4) Schedule for staffing the Cookeville Mall
 - January 8 Penny
 - January 15 Louise (Steve will ask her to do this)
 - January 22 Martha
 - January 29 Linda
 - February 5 Earl
 - February 12 Steve will find someone to fill this slot
- 5) Programs

Scott Darling of VT Fish & Wildlife will do a presentation on bats and their plight of whitenose syndrome on January 21 at the Town Hall. Shari will get word of this in the

1/14 WRVS newsletter. Shari will also check with Scott on the timing of his event. We will email to our list.

Susan Morse will do two programs in February. Wednesday, Feb 2, will be a slide show for a large audience at the Waits River School. Penny has ascertained the school is available on that date and will talk to Amy Kramer & Perry Schwartz to make sure it is set up correctly and ready for the event. This will be widely publicized so we can draw a big crowd. Anne will send text for Shari to put in the 1/21 and 1/28 WRVS newsletters.

The second Susan Morse event is Saturday, February 5, and it will include a morning and an afternoon tracking session. It will be in two separate locations, with Tenney Road wetland and the wetland across from Cawleys and Infantes on the Chelsea Road the probable locations. Each walk is limited to 20 participants.

Mark Breen from the Fairbanks Museum will do a program on Weather Lore at the Town Hall on Saturday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. Linda will check with him on his fee and ask him to send an invoice and fill out the town paperwork (anticipate a \$150 fee).

Anne will make a poster for all three events, which Shari and Linda will help to distribute.

6) Discussion of future walks, workshops. Sugaring as a topic was discussed. CCC role could be to get the word out to broad audience of the various sugarhouses that open their doors to the public. Wildflowers is another possible subject for a walk in May.

7) Bradford Conservation Commission holds their annual calendar supper on February the CCC will attend and reserve a table for March, April or November. We need to have 8 people attend. Cost is \$15 each. Commissioners will contact Steve to let him know if they plan to attend. It looks like we already have 6 committed to going: Ginny, Anne and Peter, Shari, Penny, Steve.

8) Discussion of Vermont Energy and Climate Action Network grant opportunity for \$1K-\$3K energy grants. One idea is to get information out to citizens of Corinth on their rates (and what they can do to conserve electricity) after the upcoming rate hike takes effect.

8) Next meeting will be February 7, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35.

Minutes taken by Steve Long.