

Cornish Community Initiative

October - November 2025 Newsletter

Construction Begins!



The Cornish Community Initiative (CCI) is pleased to announce that construction has begun at the new Cornish Library and Community Center. Here are the highlights so far:

Groundbreaking Ceremony - October 7, 2025 Community members gathered on Oct 7th at the future site of the Cornish Library and Community Center to celebrate the groundbreaking of a project four years in the making. The former general store in Cornish Flat will soon be transformed into a modern, accessible space for learning, gathering, and connection.

Many volunteer committee members have been hard at work over the past several months, moving steadily toward

the completion of the new Cornish Library and Community Center.

The Building Committee members (Keith Mullane, Peter and Caroline Storrs, Peter MacLeay, Laura Cousineau) has been working closely with Construction Manager Spiros Tzilianos of Trumbull-Nelson, architect Ingrid Nichols of Banwell Architects, and Adam Morse of Engineering Ventures, to tour the building and site work. We engaged with local contractors and conducted a thorough bidding process, selecting the best partners for the job. The start of construction marks the culmination of more than four years of planning. This journey began in May 2021, with the generous offer of the Cornish Store as the future home of a modern town library and community center.



Contra Dance Success!

The CCI collaborated with the Friends of the Library and Library staff to host a contra dance on November 18 at the Town Hall. Delicious refreshments and expert calling and music by David Millstone and friends made for a fun evening for young and old with about 100 people attending. Once again this was a Zero Waste event!

None of this would be possible without the incredible generosity, skills, and support shared by so many in our community. Over the next 12 months, you'll witness the transformation as construction progresses. **Watch for updates on the Library Project Page on our website by visiting <https://cornishci.org/library>.**

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