

Victor Hiking Trails, Inc. Meeting Minutes, February 24, 1994

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. Seven people were in attendance. Last month's minutes were corrected as follows:

-It was never our intent to put a trail where the current sidewalk is in Proximity Meadows. The proposed trail was intended to stay between Maple & School Streets.

<u>Treasury:</u>
We took in \$105 in new and renewal memberships. A hearty VHT welcome to our new members:

- ·William Matthews
- Bonnie Browne

TrailBoss Report:

Larry Fisher sent a copy of the Boughton Park bridge plans to Debbie Wegman of RG&E, asking for a preliminary approval which we need for our grant application.

•Marcia Bryan passed along an example of a painted aluminum sign which Crescent Trails is evaluating.

Grant Status:

•The cross county rail to trail line will now be called "Ontario County Green Line". We're preparing for a March 15th submission of our grant application. We need:

-bridge plans approved by RG&E

-pictures of the trail area

-parking area (Marcia Bryan received a verbal approval from Jack Richter to use the Fishers firehall parking lot).

-letters of support (we have received letters of support so far from Pittsford Trail Coalition, Crescent Trails, Rochester Bicycling Club, and the Nordic Ski Club).

The Victor Town Board adopted a resolution:

-endorsing the concept of a trail system connecting Victor, Farmington, and Canandaigua -asking the Ontario County Board of Supervisors to sponsor the grant application.

TrailMaster Report:

 Carol MacInnes left a note saying that a revokable permit was signed recently by Dr. Cerilli. He's the owner of a large tract of land on Break A Day Road. Great job Carol!

Assistant TrailMaster Report:

•Ruth Nellis left messages that she and Marcia are continuing to talk to landowners along Dryer

 A Sheriff may join us at the next meeting to discuss "What are the rights of a landowner when a trail crosses their land".

Historian Report:

Norm Smith hiked with Sheldon Fisher and picked up stories from the area's history.

-the Auburn/Rochester trail began in 1883 38

-the pump house in Fishers is the oldest in the country

-he told of the train stopping to move a suspected bomb off the tracks in the civil war

Tax Exempt Status:

- Ward Anderson is making progress with our tax exempt application. He's ready to meet with Marcia to discuss questions.
- ·He needs:
 - -a statement of our educational activities

-a statement of receipts and expenses for the previous year

 -a statement of all assets & liabilities (we discussed possible implication of our owning the bridge we're planning to build)

-a copy of by-laws and incorporation papers

-projections for receipts and expenses over the next few years.

Victor Car Show:

•Dave & Dorothy Wright have volunteered to coordinate our booth - THANKS!

•Ken Christy agreed to lend his booth again.

•Save the date - Sunday June 5. We'll need volunteers to man the booth and volunteers to bake pies.

VHT Walk - A - Thon:

SAVE THE DATE September 17 will be our VHT Walk-A-Thon. We'll
need many volunteers to help us accomplish this and raise money to pay for the
bridges we desperately need. This is your chance to GET INVOLVED.

Chauncey Young will have a schedule and begin forming committees next month.

We received a letter from Betsy Russell of Ontario Pathways. They currently have a full plate of
activities planned and are not in a position to join our Walk-A-Thon at this time, although, they
look forward to working with us on future projects.

•We discussed the possibility of getting a local vendor to help pay for T-Shirts with logos to give

to walkers who raise \$X or more.

Dave Wright will help design the brochure.

·Larry Fisher agreed to send Chauncey Young the distance measurements along the Auburn trail.

Membership:

•We need more members. Talk to your friends and neighbors to recruit others with a love for hiking. We'll need lots of help with the walk-a-thon. It's a great opportunity to get involved yourself and to have others join you for a fun day.

Saturday Hike:

•Three skiers enjoyed Mendon Ponds on our February 12th hike.

 Join us on March 12th to hike from Fort Hill to the town gravel pit on Dryer Rd. and back. Meet at 9:30 on Boughton Hill Rd. across from Murray Rd. Call Larry Fisher if you have questions (924-5803).

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Our next meeting is Thursday, March 24th at 7:30 PM in the Victor Town Hall. 'Hope to see you there!

Support Multiple Sclerosis: hike The MS Walk Sunday, April 10 call 716-271-0801 for information or to register

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