



Victor Hiking Trails, Inc.

Meeting Minutes, October 27, 1994

The meeting came to order at 7:30 PM. Ten people were in attendance.

Last month's minutes:

- Last month's meeting minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

- Rich Freeman reported that the treasury balance sits at \$5,480. 80% of pledges are in for the BridgeWalk with a net earnings to date of \$4,291.

Membership:

- Margaret Nugent reported we now have 52 members.
- Welcome new life-time members Thomas & William Muller.

Historian:

- Norm Smith reported that the 4th graders presented a history display at the Town Hall showing historic buildings and people. He recommended we all go if it's held another year - it was a very interesting program.

Indian Trails:

- Ruth Nellis reported the Indian trails group is still working on an official name. They'll discuss options with Peter Jamison.
- Ruth & others met Marty Dodge, a professor from FLCC, to look at the bridge site along Great Brook. Marty sent sketches & prices for a potential 35 ft. long bridge. It would be wooden construction, using phone poles and stringers across with decking similar to one at Sandy Bottom Park. Materials would cost approximately \$1,200. Marty's class could potentially donate labor in the spring of 1996.
- Marcia & Ruth contacted the last of the 5 property owners along the potential trail. The Mullers have signed the revokable permit.
- Carol MacInnes met with Robert Scala. He owns property next to Fishers Firehouse #2 that would be part of the Indian Trail. He said OK for use of his property & was left a map & permit to sign.
- Next, we need to get a permit from the fireperson's group to use their land and parking lot.

Trails:

- Carol MacInnes & others met on Oct. 6 with Mark Epling, engineer for Pikes Peak. They showed him the potential trail area. He seemed agreeable.
- The next week, the group tagged the trail and on Oct. 26th left a map and revokable permit with Mr. Defallice & Mr. Epling.
- Larry Fisher and boyscout Rob Sherwood contacted TCG to see if we could use their land to link the Auburn trail to Fisher's park but they said no.
- As an alternate eagle project we'll have Rob Sherwood work on a section of the Indian trail, eg: carry in lumber for a bridge, clear the trail, and install a trail head box.

Bridges:

- Bill Mathews, a major participant in our BridgeWalk, called a consultant to get an opinion on how to save the Ironduquoit Creek bridge. They discussed using gabions (wire cages filled with rock),

terracing the land, and spraying gunnite under the bridge. Larry Fisher will meet with Bill next week to discuss options.

- There are actually two bridges in need of repair over Irondaquoit Creek. Saving the existing structures is certainly preferable.
- We'll need DEC approval for any work which involves going in the creek.
- Ruth & Marcia met with Mr. Parenter. They walked his property, agreed on a route. Mr. Parenter signed the revokable permit.
- Mr. Parenter suggested that we give a list of lumber we need for bridges to the recycling center. They can save it for us if any is dropped off.

VHT BridgeWalk:

- Chauncy Young passed out a critique of the BridgeWalk from the committee chairpersons.
- We decided to hold it again next year - Chauncy volunteered to again be chairperson.
- A comment was made that for credibility we need to be able to show progress on a bridge construction before we can hold it again next year.
- Our top gathers of pledges were Marcia Bryan and Carol MacInnes. They will receive the embroidered jackets.

Officers:

•PLEASE COME TO THE NOV. 17 MEETING - WE'LL VOTE ON OFFICERS

- The slate of officers presented by the nominating committee are:

chairperson	Marcia Bryan
vice chairperson	Dave Wright
secretary	Sue Freeman
treasurer	Rich Freeman

- Additional nominations from the floor will be accepted.

Newsletter:

- We need someone who would like to coordinate the entries in the Victor Town Newsletter for 1995. Please contact Sue Freeman (924-4149), if you're interested.

Trail Sign Committee:

- The committee will meet to Tuesday, Nov. 8 at the Freeman home to working on making and installing signs and map boxes.

Ontario Pathways:

- November 12th they are holding a Sale For Nature Lovers from 9 AM till 5 PM at 42 Howell St., Canandaigua.

Misc.

- Dave Wright will investigate the cost of producing sweatshirts, T shirts, hats, and patches with VHT logo on them to help generate additional revenue.
- John Nugent volunteered to develop better trail maps for us. Thanks John!

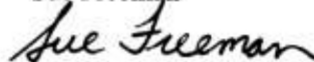
Saturday Hike:

- Meet behind the town hall at 9 AM on Nov. 12 for our hike. It will be led by Mr. Geno.
- Potential future hike locations could include Sandy Bottom park & Cummings Nature Center.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Our next meeting is Thursday, November 17th at 7:30 PM in the Victor Town Hall. Hope to see you there. Due to Thanksgiving this is the 3rd Thursday of the month. Please come & cast your vote.

Sue Freeman


Secretary