



VICTOR HIKING TRAILS, INC.

85 East Main Street * Victor * New York * 14564-1397

Feb. 27, 1997
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM with 8 attending:
Dave Wright Norm Smith Roberta Lockwood
Amy Robinson Sue Freeman Rich Freeman
Douglas Fisher Ruth Nellis

Last Month's Minutes:

Spelling error was noted: it is Onanda Park, not Gonanda, on Canandaigua Lake.

Treasurer's Report:

No report.

Membership Report:

Welcome to our newest members: Jim and Bonnie Dove, Steve and Janna Chernow and family, Tony and Linda Critelli and family, Sue Stehling, John Jongen, Mike and Laura Shone, Bernie and Maureen Angelo.

Renewed members include: Joe Letwin, Francis and Mary Beth Goodwin, Lee and Marie Carl, Ruth and Dave Nellis, Carl and Shiellee Weidner, Bryan Pazaras, Sue and Rich Freeman, and Roberta Lockwood.

A donation from Greg and Betsy Russell was received.

Publicity Report:

Dave sent a notice of the March 8th hike to local papers.

Historian's Report :

Oren Lyons will give a talk on "A Look at the Environment through Haudenosaunee Eyes" on April 21, 7:30 PM in the auditorium at the Victor Intermediate School; admission will be \$4.00.

Dave had articles on: Trail and Trees in Brighton; Tuck Young's (son of Chauncy and Kathy Young) bike trip across America last summer; Wildlife management (by the DEC); and one from the **NYS Conservationist** (Feb. 1997) on the Genesee Valley Greenway.

The Victor Planning Board will be at the Fisher Fire Hall

#1 on March 18, 7:30 PM, Fisher Fire Hall #2 on High St.
June 17, Victor Town Hall on Sept. 2 and Nov. 18, to hear
your opinions on development in Victor.

Newsletter:

Great job Amy!! The next one will include information on
National Trail Day events. Does anyone have information
on bluebirds? There is a May 1 deadline for
articles.

Carol helped mail the newsletter - thanks, Carol.

Trailmaster Report:

The MUTC map is near completion.
Carol visited the Audobon Society. She showed maps on
the Auburn Trail and a possible trail to connect to the
Auburn. We would need to cross a creek. They do not want
an entrance to their park from the Railroad Mills Rd..
Dave, Carol and Larry need to walk it soon.
A meeting with the Burtons is still needed to dicuss a
connection from Pipers to Royal View Heights.

Trailboss Report:

Larry received a letter from MRB, engineering. No
dollar amount was quoted but they recommended that we
stabilize the area around the creek and bridge. Larry
will submit the 3 bids to the DOT for their review.
Explorer Post 295 from Bloomfield cleared all of the Royal
View Heights trail. Larry will send them a thank you
letter for the great job.

The Lehigh Trail sign committee liked Larry's sign the
best.

Discussion on use of trails for snowmobiles was held. In
Mendon and Rush, a snowmobile club asked permission to use
the Lehigh Trail in Monroe County. A public hearing will
be held March 4 for public input at the Mendon firehouse.

The Mendon town board passed an ordinance against
snowmobiles. After some discussion, it was agreed upon
by the members present that we allow no snowmobiles on our
trails. A letter will be sent to Mendon and Rush stating
that we are not in favor of opening the Lehigh to
snowmobiles.

The DOT will install a pedestrian sign on rte. 251 at Cork
Rd.; it will be a large sign due to the curve which limits
a driver's view when coming from Mendon.

Adopt-a-Trail:

We need to make signs recognizing those who have
volunteered to maintain the trail. Dave made prototypes
which were about 3"X5" to be made of laminated paper and
placed on a post on the trail.

Last Hike:

Six people hiked Boughton Park on Feb. 8. It was a bit slippery but beautiful.

Book Sale:

We have sold one more book.

New Business:

Cobblestone Creek Subdivision Section IV was asked by the Planning Board for a conservation easement. It was agreed to use the wooded area.

Dave has photos of signs showing hiker silhouettes on a green background from the '70's. The DEC no longer has this sign in their catalog.

Macedon will provide guided hikes on the following Sundays at 1PM: March 9 - Seneca Trail

April 13 - old growth forest (Bentley Woods)
in Victor

May 11 - Ontario Pathways

June 7 - Macedon Trail

Carpool from the Macedon Town Hall.

Call the Ryons if you are interested in buying firewood; they recently had the Monkey Run Trail area lumbered.

We received a packet of information from Humann T's on nature-related t-shirts for fund raising.

Dave Hawkins resigned from the Conservation Board.

Larry will call around for prices on a brush cutter.

Local businesses are preferred for future repair convenience.

Norm has information on local hikes sponsored by the Rochester Museum.

Next Hike: Sat., March 8, 1997.

Meet at the Town Hall, 9AM to car pool to Powder Mills Park.

Next Meeting: March 27, 1997, 7:30PM at the Town Hall.

Adjournment: 8:57PM

Ruth E. Nellis

Secretary - Ruth E. Nellis

VHT CALENDAR

Next meeting: March 27, 7:30PM, Victor Town Hall

Meet at the Town Hall 9 AM, to carpool for the following hikes:

Mar. 8 - Powder Mills Park

Apr. 12 - Durand Eastman Park

May 10 - Spring Farm, Newark

June 7 - National Trails Day - Monkey Run & Bluebird Sanctuary

July 12 - Onanda Park, west side of Canandaigua Lake

Aug. 9 - Dresden to Penn Yan

Sept. 6 - Irondequoit Bay Park East

Sept. 13- Hang Around Victor Day

Oct. 11 - Stid Hill, Bristol Hills

Nov. 8 - Pittsford, Old Erie Canal/Auburn RR Loop

Dec. 13 - Birdsong Trail at Mendon Ponds Park