



VICTOR HIKING TRAILS, INC.

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

June 24, 1999
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM with 5 attending:
Dave Wright Larry Fisher Carol MacInnes
Jeff Hennick Dave Coleman

Last Month's Minutes:
Approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

May	CD	\$2000.00
	Checking account	472.29
	Savings account	3495.70
	Total	\$5967.99

Dues paid by Larry Fisher and Jeff Hennick

Membership:

We recieved three new memberships. Welcome Peg Curry and Eric Brewer, Russell and Deborah Kurvach and Richard Freitas. This brings the total current household memberships to 127.

Publicity:

Dave W. sent a fax to the local newspapers about our July 10th hike at Dish Mill Creek. He also updated our voice mailbox.

Historian:

- Dave W. And Dave C. submitted newspaper articles about the Victor students who worked on the Harlan-Fisher Memorial Park in the Village and the construction of a nature park in Perinton on Aldrich Rd. at the White Brook area as well as the usual notices of our monthly hikes.

Education:

No report.

Newsletter:

Deadline is Aug. 27. Submit ideas to Dave W.

Trailmaster:

Carol will send a revocable permit contract and map to Frank Tambe to sign and return. Carol visited Lori Allan (Kaiser property) on Fishers Rd. to inquire about access from our trails to Powder Mills Park. Lori was concerned about people misusing the trails already. Not to mention that a car drove down the steep embankment to the pond and got stuck. She asked Carol to come back in the fall.

Trail Boss:

Larry said all of the trails are being maintained, but it would be good to see some new faces once in a while. Dave C. suggested that we put the maintenance schedule on the voice mail message. Dave W. will do that starting July 11.

Debbie Wegman (RG&E) visited the powerstation at the corner of Dryer Rd. and Maple Ave. and reported it would be OK to have our trail cross the property. She will send Larry a form for us to fill out and return. Carol will check with the Town planning department to see who owns the adjoining property so we can reroute the trail and finally build a bridge over Great Brook.

Jack VanVoorhis asked Chauncy if VHT could help financially with the repair of the stone bridge over Irondequoit Creek, closest to Fishers Rd. This one is not in bad shape, but is starting to show some need for repairs. Larry and Chauncy will meet with Jack to discuss a plan of action. We may need some expert advice on the proper repair and allowable time to repair.

Last Hikes:

June 5: National Trails Day hike from Ganondagan State Historic Site to Valentown Museum, a total of over six miles, saw 30 hikers enjoying a beautiful morning and early afternoon trek. They also had an opportunity to learn a little local history from Douglas Fisher as they hiked.

June 12: Our first official bike ride must have conflicted with a lot of other activities as there were only three cyclists. They biked from Fishers Firehouse 1 on Main Street to the Lehigh and then west as far as Chamberlain Street in Mendon. They returned via back roads. The trail tread could use a lot of improvement to smooth it out. Dave W. will contact Mendon Foundation to see if they have tried the Kodak fly ash yet.

Old Business:

TEA-21 grant: Jane Luce recommends that we apply for the grant even if we don't hear from RG&E. (Note: Jane told Dave W. on 7-1-99 that she delivered the application to NYSDOT in time. She recommended that we send letters to the local politicians and DOT pleading our case.)

Hang Around Victor Day- Sept. 11, 1999: If you are available to help with setup, teardown or manning the booth, call Dave W. Larry volunteered to help setup and teardown.

New Business:

The town and village of Victor would like to have a community celebration of the new millennium. If you have any ideas, please call the town or village.

There will be a public hearing regarding a proposed moratorium on new major residential developments on July 1 at 7:30 PM at the old Junior High auditorium. (Over 100 residents attended.)

Sheldon and Lillian Fisher celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Friday June 11 at the Church of Latter Day Saints on Kregg Rd. in Perinton. VHT was invited to write a letter expressing our thanks, which Dave W. did. All letters recieved were placed in a book and presented to them.

NY Parks and Conservation Association notified us of a grant program for recreational trails. The deadline is July 30. Approximately \$1 million is available for 1999, with awards ranging from \$5000 to \$80,000. We could apply for trail improvements such as gates, signs, bridges, etc. Federal share is 80 %. The general consensus of those present was that we should not apply at this time. There is a new federal trails program called Millennium Trails. Its purpose is to bring recognition to new and existing trails throughtout the US. There will be three catagories:

- * National Millennium Trails- top 12 trails in the US
- * Millennium Legacy Trails- top trail in each state plus Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico
- * Community Trails 2000- 2000 projects with a strong impact on the community they serve

All of these trails will be included in a National Trails database and on the Millennium Website. Dave W. will get more information and an application from the website www.millenniumtrails.org.

Valentown Antique Peddlers Market will be held on Aug. 1, 9 AM to 5 PM at the Museum. Rain date is Aug 8.

Dave W. has maps of all of the parks in Monroe County.

Dave W. has a NYSDEC brochure listing wildlife view sites in Western NY.

Included is Mendon Ponds and Braddocks Bay in Monroe County. There are no sites listed for Ontario or Wayne Cos.

Dave W. has a copy of the report prepared by Behan Planning Associates for the Town Board on Victor growth.

Dave W. announced that he will be running for Town Council on the Republican ticket if he is supported at the Republican caucus on July 20.

Next Hike:

Saturday, July 10 at Dish Mill Creek in Letchworth Park. Meet at town hall at 9 AM or at McDonalds in Mount Morris on Route 408 at 9:50 AM. Bring shoes for walking in the creek, water and a bag lunch. The hike will be 2-3 hours in the gorge. We should be back in Victor by 3 PM.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, July 22, 7:30 PM at town hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM.

Respectively,
David A. Wright

VHT CALENDAR

July 10	9 AM	Hike Dish Mill Creek at Letchworth
July 22	7:30 PM	Monthly meeting
Aug. 14	9 AM	Hike Genesee Gorge, Seneca Park
Aug. 26	7:30 PM	Monthly meeting
Sept. 4	7:30 PM	Hike the Ring of Fire, Bare Hill
Sept. 11	9 AM - 5 PM	Hang Around Victor Day