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June 22, 2000
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM with 6 attending:

Dave Wright Carol MacInnes Larry Fisher
David Coleman Chauncy Young Jeff Hennick

Last Month's Minutes:

Approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report:

May:	CD	\$2089.11
	Checking account	266.59
	Savings account	1597.12
	Total	3952.82

Membership:

There were 6 renewals and 1 new membership. Welcome to Roberta and Harvey Benson. The total is now 142 households.

Publicity:

Dave W. sent faxes to the local papers regarding our July 8th hike. The phone line has been updated. The Daily Messenger did an article on trails. Dave W. also sent a fax about receiving the Community Millennium Trail designation.

Historian:

Dave C. submitted an article on the National Trails Day hike. Jeff submitted some articles on Henrietta Parks and Adirondack air.

Education:

No report.

Newsletter:

The summer issue was mailed on time. One was returned for address correction. The next issue will be mailed Sept. 1 with a deadline of Aug. 25. There will be articles on Hang Around Victor Weekend, Monkey Run, favorite fall hikes, our Adirondack fall trip, and others.

The Town newsletter will be sent out in Nov.. We will stress Eagle projects and our new trails.

Trailmaster:

Carol has tagged a path on the Weaver's (formerly Reh's) property along rte.444. It needs to be cleared and signs installed.

Carol talked to Harry Kesel. Several builders are interested in the land. We need to watch this closely.

Bill Patterson called Carol to say he was busy, but wants to call all the neighboring landowners. He will be done by the end of July.

We need a leader for our hike. Dave will call the Falls people. Carol and Chauncy are the back-up leaders.

Trail Boss:

Mickey Finn's work party of June 17 was cancelled due to everyone having other commitments. It has been scheduled for July 1, 9AM to noon.

The billy goat needs some minor repairs.

The golf driving range will be done in place of the Lehigh on Sat., June 24.

Last Hikes:

June 3 – approximately 40 hikers started out at Ganondagan State Historic site. Several hikers didn't have time for the entire hike, but about 30 completed the full 6 miles. Dave W. sent thank you letters to Jeanette Miller, Executive Director of the Friends of Ganodagan; Peter Jemison, Manager of Ganondagan; Sue Stehling, Treasurer of the Victor Historical Society; Ben Barbash, Executive Director of the Victor Historical Society; Donald Robinson, V.P. of Benderson Development Co.; Sheriff Povero.

On June 10, 5 hikers enjoyed a beautiful 5-mile hike on a nature trail at Urbana State Forest.

Old Business:

Dave W. attended the dedication of the Wesley Hill Nature Preserve on the east side of Honeoye Lake. The 90-acre site has a variety of trees, ferns, wildflowers, birds and mammals. We should add this to our list of places to hike in 2001. Ruth and Dave Nellis also attended.

John McVay's boardwalk has a plaque commending his accomplishment.

Our Seneca Trail has been designated a Millennium Trail by the White House Millennium Council. A proclamation and letter were framed and presented to the Town Board on June 12, 2000. A small plaque can be placed on the trail, possibly on the bridge over Great Brook.

New Business:

Finger Lakes Land Trust is sponsoring an early morning bird walk on Sat., June 24 at 7:30AM at the Wesley Hill Preserve.

On July 15, 9AM, forester, Bruce Robinson and City of Rochester Conservationist Don Root will lead a Woods Walk in the Hemlock Lake Watershed. Meet at the watershed hiking trail on Johnson Hill Rd. (near intersection of Old Bald Hill Rd. S.).

Sat., Aug. 26, 10AM, Rich Hamell, Dept. of Geology, Monroe Community College, will lead a hike for fossil hunting along Hemlock Lake. Meet at Hemlock Park at the North end of the lake. Bring fossils and rocks for identification.

There will be a talk on The Secret Life of Swamps on Thursday, July 13, 7:30PM at the Naples Fire Hall. It will be given by Dr. Bruce Gilman, FLCC Dept. of Conservation.

Sat., July 15, 9AM to noon, a group will be paddling the High Tor. Meet at Jensen Marina in Woodville at the south end of Canandaigua Lake.

On Wed., July 26, 7:30PM, Preston Pierce, Ontario County Historian and Victor Central School teacher, will present a talk on MUD to MACADAM, the Development of Roads in Ontario County. Meet at the Hurley Building, 205 Saltonstall St., Canandaigua.

At the June 5th Village Trustees meeting, Jim Andrees expressed a concern that the exposed stone wall along the old railway could have some loose stones which could fall down if someone tried to climb the wall. The Village engineer will review this.

The Friends of Ganondagan Peace Gathering will be on Sat. and Sun., July 1& 2. There will be multi-culture, workshops, presentations, food and entertainment. Come and enjoy the festivities.

Next Hike: Sat., July 8 – a gully walk at Grimes Glen and then Tannery Creek in Naples is planned. Meet at the Town Hall at 9AM.. Bring lunch, drink and water shoes as well as extra socks and hiking boots. No small children or pets.

Next Meeting: 7:30PM, Thurs., July 27, 2000.

Adjournment: 8:30PM

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth E. Nellis, Secretary

VHT CALENDAR

July 1	9AM	Work party at Mickey Finn's
July 1,2		Friends of Ganondagan Peace Gathering
July 8	9AM	Gully hike Tannery and Grimes Glens in Naples
July 27	7:30PM	Monthly meeting
Aug. 12	9AM	Hike Howland Island (Montezuma Refuge)
Sept. 2	7PM	Canandaigua Lake "Ring of Fire" celebration
Sept. 9	8AM	Booth at Hang Around Victor Day. History walk. Millennium celebration.
Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1		Fall hike in the Adirondacks.
Oct. 14	9AM	Hike at Taughanock Falls State Park (Ithaca)
Nov. 11	9AM	Hike at Greece Canal Park
Dec. 9	9AM	Hike Durand Eastman Park

"It is a sign of rain when the flies bite." From Yankee Weather Proverbs