

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS
Regular Monthly Meeting
Victor Town Hall
July 26, 2001

Called to order at 7:35 PM

Attendees: Dave Wright, David Coleman, Ruth Nellis, Chauncy Young, Larry Fisher, Roberta Lockwood, Norm Smith, Kathy Manners

Last Month's Minutes: Approved as written

Treasurer's Report:

C.D. \$	2,563.30
Checking	448.53
Savings	3,314.37
Cash	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$6,326.20

Membership: No new members this month. 3 renewals. Membership remains at 157.

Publicity: Dave W. sent faxes announcing the August 11 hike at Stony Brook State Park, south of Dansville. Dave sent the necessary papers to Frontier to have our voice mail account listed in the phone book.

Historian: Roberta has an article on proposed Lagoon Trails in Canandaigua between 5 & 20 and Roseland Water Park. Pictures were rec'd from Marcia from dedication and NoonMark hike in the Adirondacks. Larry had photos of Day of Caring.

Education: Ruth has scientific names for wildflowers. She would like to get started on a nature trail. Suggested she meet with Larry F. and tour Fisher Park. Scout (Zack Rheume) interested in developing a Self-Guided Interpretive Nature Walk. Monkey Run trails may be appropriate. It was suggested that a 4X4 post with 12"X12" weatherized sign be used to identify types of trees and other natural phenomena. Highland Park has signs that we might be able to duplicate with line drawings of leaf and identifying parts of each tree. David W. suggested that we need to coordinate this effort with Charlene Berry-Pickering.

Newsletter: Town/Village of Victor – Dave W. submitted an article on the dedication of the new Lehigh Crossing Park, potential changes at Monkey Run and the Fall Adirondack hike. It will be mailed to town and village residents on 8/27/01. The fall issue of the VHT Pathfinder will be mailed Sept. 1. Deadline for articles is August 25.

Trailmaster: Still trying to meet the Massigs. They may be moving. Carol talked to Mrs. Ramsey. Waiting to hear from Mr. Ramsey.

Trail Boss: Maintenance is on schedule. Trails are being used. R.G.&E. widened trail from Rawson to School to Maple/Dryer. For the time being, VHT will continue to maintain the trail from Rawson to Maple. Review next spring.

We need to build a footbridge over White Brook at Monkey Run in Oct/Nov. Larry and David W. plan to work on this fall. Need to avoid sewer run and bring down the trail from the steeper side of the hill.

Mow Ganondagan 7/28, 8 AM meet at Dryer Road.

Check Royal View Heights Trail.

Gillis to Hundred Acre Woods needs remarking.

It was noted that the town mowed all of the bluebird sanctuary – so the trail cannot be easily discerned.

Norm Smith asked if the Lehigh Park trail could be bridged due to the presence of water. David W. remarked that a bridge across the creek will be in the master plan. The low areas may have to be avoided in the future or widened.

It was generally discussed that in the future all trails should be designed wide enough for a tractor mower (the town's) to get through.

The Town is to enhance the treadway under the TEA-21 grant with stone dust or sand to cover large stones on the Lehigh Trail.

Maps: We need to produce new ones and update old maps. Between Town and VHT may be able to hire Rich Freeman to make new maps. There is lots of new information and they need to be made current.

Last Hike: Webster Park Trail led by Chauncy, Dave Coleman, Jeff Hennick and Carol MacInnes. Total of 14 persons participated.

Old Business:

Sunday, August 26 is the Genesee Valley Hiking Club Annual Meeting & Seneca Trail Hike. Call Dave Wright (924-3709) if you plan to attend.

TEA-21 Grant: Jane Luce, Charlene Berry-Pickering and Chauncy Young attended the workshop on July 12. VHT is trying to acquire the Auburn line under the Transportation Enhancement Act. RG&E has been talking about selling the land to adjoining landowners. If the town acquires the land, ramping and decking of the bridge will need to be completed to connect to Lehigh Trail and Lehigh Crossing Park. Acquiring the Auburn line will bring the Village into play. It could be paved from Victor out to Lehigh Crossing Park for rollerblading ,etc. A connection with Brace Road Park is possible and it connects to Mertensia Park; Fishers Park and Powder Mills Park. Dave W will ask Charlene to put together a meeting of stakeholders prior to submitting a proposal to be sure we cover everything.

New business:

Kiosks: Charlene agreed that kiosks should be built at Town Parks to display brochures and share information. They will be part of the master plan.

Fall Adirondack weekend:

Call Dave W. (924-3709) if you are planning to go, Oct. 12-14.

Oct. 13: Pumpkin Weekend – Hike & Bike. Need help to work table at Ganondagan. Chauncy will contact ADK and other groups.

Genesee Region Trails Coalition proposed by-laws are being reviewed.

Sept. 8 – Hang Around Victor Day. Call Dave W. if you can help.

Dave W. received a letter and pictures from Marcia Bryan.

Dave W. got a set of maps from Rich Freeman. Dave will mark them up to show latest trails, then meet with Rich again.

Footprint Press has issued their July/Aug. issue of Outdoor Newsletter. Many interesting articles.

A professor @ SUNY Delhi is involved in forming a trail group and would like our advice. Dave W. will mail a packet of information.

Closing on Young property adjacent to Fishers Park will be around August 15th.

Next Hike: Aug 11 @ Stony Brook State Park, 3 miles south of Dansville. Meet at Town Hall at 8:00 A.M. (not our usual 9 AM)

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 23 @ 7:30 P.M.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM

Calendar

Aug. 11	Hike Stony Brook Park
Aug. 23	monthly meeting
Aug. 26	Hike the Seneca Trail with GVHC
Sept. 1	Hike Bare Hill, Ring of Fire. Meet at Town Hall at 7:30 PM
Sept. 8	Hang Around Victor Day
Sept. 27	monthly meeting
Oct. 6	Hike Wesley Hill Preserve
Oct. 12-14	Adirondack Fall Weekend
Oct. 13	Victor Pumpkin Hike and Bike event
Oct. 25	monthly meeting
Nov.10	Fishers Park
Nov. 15	monthly meeting
Dec. 8	Northhampton, ski or hike
Dec. 20	monthly meeting and party

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