

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS
Regular Monthly Meeting
Victor Town Hall
November 15, 2001

Called to order at 7:32 PM

Attendees: Dave Wright, Ruth Nellis, Carol MacInnes, Douglas Fisher, Jeff Hennick, Chauncy Young, Jeanne Maybee, Pattiey Buttaccio

Last Month's Minutes: Approved as written

Treasurer's Report:

C.D. \$	2,563.30
Checking	1,038.10
Savings	3,326.51
Cash	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$6,927.91

Membership: Three new members this month; welcome to William Clifford of Victor, Pauline Motkowski of Rochester and Sara Kennedy of Victor. Three renewals. Total current membership now stands at 158. There are approximate eleven that will be removed before the end of the month.

Publicity: Dave Wright sent faxes to the local newspapers and updated the phone message regarding our hike on Dec. 8.

Historian: Articles on the new park and trails in Victor, the dedication of the Fishers Park addition, Trail Runners and a town park expansion in Parma.

Education: Ruth Nellis submitted articles for the next newsletter telling the responsibilities of officers and how to identify trees in the winter.

VHT Newsletter: Dave has the next issue roughed out. Douglas will get a copy of Sheldon's talk last Saturday to Dave. The newsletter will have a new look.

Trailmaster: Carol called on Laurie Allen to see if she will give us permission for a trail from Powder Mills Park to Fishers Road. She said no. Carol will seek alternate routes, but it doesn't look good.

Trail Boss: Larry was absent. Larry and Dave added some more rocks to the wire cage under the bridge over Great Brook by the RG&E sub-station on Dryer Road.

Last Hike: Approximately 50 people attended the dedication of the Fishers Park addition on Nov. 10. Most joined Chauncy for a hike on the original trails as well as the trails that Chauncy established on the new section. A BIG thank you to the Young family

for selling the property to the town at a great discount. And a big thank you to the town for purchasing the property to preserve for future generations.

TEA-21 Grant: The final proposal has been submitted. Now we wait for the decision.

Genesee Region Trail Coalition continues to meet monthly. The incorporation as a 501(c)3 has been completed. They continue to gather information on fund raising.

Old Business:

Parks Master Plan: Nov. 26-Update at Town Board Meeting; Dec. 4, Community Meeting at Victor Education Center @ 7 PM. Jan 14, 2002, Town Board adoption.

Dave W. gave some marked up maps to Rich Freeman. When they come back, they will meet with Charlene for final approval.

Eagle Projects: Zack Rheume has submitted his proposal to the district for approval. He is ready to put in the signs at Monkey Run.
Russ Brindle has finished Marching Band. He is interested in building a bridge over White Brook at Monkey Run.

New Business:

Slate of Officers for 2002:

Chairman –	David Wright
Vice Chairman –	Norm Smith
Secretary -	Kathy Manners
Treasurer -	Chauncy Young
Trail Master –	Carol MacInnes
Trail Boss -	Larry Fisher
Historian -	Roberta Lockwood
Education -	Ruth Nellis

On motion by Douglas Fisher, second by Jeff Hennick, motion was carried.

Proposed Hikes for 2002:

Jan. 12-	Harriet Hollister Spencer State Rec. Area, hike or cross-country ski
Feb. 9-	Genesee County Park, hike or cross-country ski
Mar. 9-	South Perinton Trails, hike or cross-country ski
Apr. 13-	Boughton Park wild flower walk
May 11-	Keuka Outlet Trail
Jun. 1-	National Trails Day. Special hike in Victor
Jun. 8-	Fishers Park
Jul. 13-	Creek walk in the Naples area
Aug. 10	Falls hike in western NY
Aug. 31	"Ring of Fire" at Bare Hill at night
Sep. 7-	Annual "Hang Around Victor" day
Sep. 14-	Mystery hike
Oct. 12-	Finger Lakes National Forest

Nov. 9- East side of Letchworth State Park
Dec. 14- Black Creek Park in the town of Chili

Proposed meeting dates for 2002: Fourth Thursday of each month except Nov. and Dec. which will be the third Thursday.

Jan. 24, Feb. 28, Mar. 28, Apr. 25, May 23, Jun. 27, July 25, Aug. 22, Sep. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 21, and Dec. 19.

On motion by Chauncy, seconded by Douglas, make Dick and Peg Ryon lifetime members in recognition of their granting the first trail (Monkey Run) and all of the time and work (bird houses) they have donated over the years. Approved unanimously.

NEW WEBSITE: The town, village and LDC have a new website. Check it out at www.victorny.org.

GTC has published a Regional Trails Initiative Survey to gather information from local trail users. Please fill out the survey and mail it as soon as possible. Dave W. and Douglas attended a public workshop on 11/14/01 to give them some input regarding the trails in Victor. They are concentrating on the multi-use trails in the greater Rochester area.

Finger Lakes Visitors Connection Internet Site has offered local groups to have a link on their site if we put a link on our site. We agreed to do this. Their address is www.VisitFingerLakes.com. Dave W. will ask Ron Sears to add the link. Our link is already on their site.

Dave W. received the Friends of Ganondagan newsletter with great stories and a calendar of events.

Mary Beth Goodwin, Farmington Conservation Board Chair and a member of their Open Space Plan Committee called Dave W. to see if we have any plans for trails near the Farmington border, other than the Auburn. Dave told her not at this time, but Mud Creek is a future possibility.

Check out www.redsuspenders.com/~dgardner/rande.html for information about the Rochester and Eastern Rapid Railway (the trolley). A lot of info, maps and pictures.

Pactiv Corp. will be moving an office from Bushnell Basin to Victor in May 2002. They will be in the newest building at Omnitech on Phillips Rd. next to the Auburn. They would like to do a Corporation/Community Day on the Auburn to widen the trail and remove the ballast stone. Pattiey Buttaccio brought pictures of the trail and wanted to know what they can do to help us. Dave suggested that we do a site walk and make plans for the spring. Pattiey will call Dave to set a meeting date and time. It was also suggested that the company might want to adopt a section of trail.

Boughton Park has some footbridges that need ramps for safe cross-country skiing. They are looking for volunteers to help build them. Call Dave W. if you can help.

Next Hike: Dec. 8 Hike or ski Northampton Park in Chili. Meet at rear parking lot of Victor Town Hall at 9 AM to car pool to the park. Should be back in Victor by 2 PM

Next Meeting: Dec. 20

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Wright

Calendar

- Nov. 26 Parks Master plan presentation to Town Board, 7 PM
- Dec. 4 Public input to Parks Master plan at VEC at 7 PM
- Dec. 8 Northampton, ski or hike park trails
- Dec. 20 monthly meeting and party
- Jan. 12 First hike/ski of 2002 and Kick-off Breakfast for new and old officers
- Jan. 14 Town Board public hearing for Parks Master plan