

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS
MEETING AT VICTOR TOWN HALL
MARCH 15, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Dave Wright, David Coleman, Carol MacInnes, Ruth Nellis, Chauncy Young, Larry Fisher, Brian Emilson, Nat Fisher.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:30 PM.

MINUTES OF FEB. 15, 2006 MEETING:

No changes.

Motion to accept as written made by *Chauncy*, seconded by *Carol*. Approved. ✓

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chauncy Young

As of 02/28/07.....

CD	\$ 0	
Checking	\$ 8,764.53	12,854.02
Total	\$ 8,764.53	
Other assets	\$ 2,553.84	✓
Total assets	\$ 11,318.37	15,407.86

*Carol motion
David seconded
to put some funds in CD,
Chauncy will check rates
& time to stagger the
renewal dates*

The annual financial audit was conducted immediately following last month's meeting; the audit committee consisted of Dave Wright, Dave Coleman, Larry Fisher, Carol MacInnes, and Nat Fisher. They found all records to be in order and correct. Chauncy can be our treasurer for another year!!!

Motion by *Carol*, seconded by *David C.* to accept the report. Approved. ✓

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: David Coleman

Members last month	1276
Renewals	1
New members	0
Rejoined	0
Dropped	0
Total	1276

PUBLICITY:

Dave Wright updated the phone message and sent a press release to the Daily Messenger and Democrat & Chronicle for our April 14 Turning Point Park Bike Ride.

EDUCATION:

Ruth

NEWSLETTER: Dave Wright
The next issue will be mailed in March.

TRAILMASTER: Carol MacInnes

~~No activity.~~

TRAIL BOSS: Larry Fisher

Voss Signs- buy decision needed.

2007 Season Maintenance Schedule with May 2 as the first trail maintenance date has been distributed. Any comments?

The work to replace the bridge on the Schrader property was set for the weekend of 4/28. Chauncy and Brian will coordinate with Parks & Recreation to use the large interior space at their facility to construct, and then to use Parks & Recreation equipment to transport to the site.

LAST HIKE

Cross country skied at Dryer Road Park and Fort Hill. One casualty.

5 people

Picture:

OLD BUSINESS:

Anyone who needs a special Victor Hiking license plate holder, please contact Dave Wright.....still only \$5.00.
Show your support for Victor Trails wherever you go!!

Bridges over creeks: Chauncy reported that he is making progress, and expects all approvals and permits in hand in time for construction season. *met w/ Brian & Joe Logan re Trestle decking, better*

Trails Central website is up and running. Please visit it (www.trailsnewyork.org) and give Jeff Hennick some good feedback.

National Trails Day is celebrating 15 years in 2007 on Saturday, June 2. VHT will participate; see calendar below. More details to follow, as the date gets closer. Plan on joining us for a great day of hiking. Need brochure. Did Chauncy order kit? *Not yet, up to \$50.00 for Chauncy to purchase*

The Victor Hiking Trails brochure was identified as needing to be updated. Dave W. completed updates. Review changes and cover pictures. How many should we get printed? *\$ for 3K vs 5K*

Messages?

Brian provided an update on the Auburn Trail:
Trolley Trail ownership?

Auburn Trail West (Fishers to Perinton) -selection committee will be interviewing 3 or 4 engineering firms next

*1000 of 4 different colors
not to exceed \$500.00
Plastic, round
Chauncy
Done c. 2007
Red, white, Blue
& purple or yellow
not green.
broccoli
black*

NEW BUSINESS:

Pack Paddle & Ski

We received a request for a donation from Calvin Dupuis to the American Cancer Society on behalf of the Journeys of Inspiration Team, a group of cancer survivors and others that have been affected in some way by cancer who will attempt to climb Mount Kilimanjaro in March, 2008. They are looking for funding to help pay their expenses as well as raise money and awareness of cancer. Please visit their website at www.journeysofinspiration.com

40 people going. 29 signed up. Done Coleman going "2500 for American Cancer Society. #1000 to ACS for Dave Co. Chaney 2nd"

August 10-12, 2007 is the 2nd Annual Canal Splash. There will be guided walks, bike rides, boat cruises, exhibits, festivals and more along the Erie Canal.

Dave W. and Brian E. attended the GRTC grant awarding ceremony at the Genesee Waterways Center on Feb. 26th. We accepted a check for \$2000 to help pay for materials to put decking and railing on the Lehigh trestle near Phillips Road. This will give us another access point to Lehigh Crossing Park. Four other trail groups received funds for their projects.

Sierra Club will be holding their 9th Annual Environmental Forum on Thursday, April 19th (our next meeting) at the First Unitarian Church, 220 Winton Road South. Display set-up begins at 5:00 PM. Doors open to the public at 6:00 PM. Forum speakers begin at 7:15 PM. This year's theme is "Hemlock & Canadice: The Future of Our Little Lakes." Featured speaker is Jim Howe, Ex. Dir. of The Nature Conservancy of Central and Western NY. If we get our new brochures printed in time, Dave W. will drop off 200 to be placed on one of the trail group tables.

City of Rochester is considering selling the lakes, groups.google.com/group/save-the-lakes

Parks and Trails New York is forming the Statewide Trails Coalition. They would like all NYS trails groups to join the Coalition, no charge.

Freeman's had a nice article on VHT in their e-newsletter

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, Mar. 10th, hike / snowshoe at Dryer Road Park. Meet at Dryer Road parking lot at 9 a.m. Dress for the weather.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, April 19th, 7:30 PM at Victor Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn was made by _____, seconded by _____. Meeting adjourned at _____.

Submitted by Dave Wright

Monday and Tuesday.

Warner Fisher found color slides of the Lehigh Valley derailment at the trestle near Phillips Road. The date on the slides is Jan. 1961. There is snow on the ground in some of the pictures. It shows a crane moving the box cars. Larry is going to digitize the slides before we give them back to Warner. Incorporate a couple of the pictures in a sign by the trestle.

Ad on deck
May 18, 19 & 20

2007 HIKES AND EVENTS

- Apr.14 → Turning Point Park Bike Ride
- May12 → Farmington Nature Trail, MaryFrances Bluebird Haven, Monkey Run
- May → Adirondack Adventure
- Jun.2 → National Trails Day: Fishers Firehouse 2 on Seneca Trail to Auburn Trail to Papparone Park to Parks and Recreation Headquarters; shuttle cars available.
- Jun.9 → Mendon Ponds Park. Outdoor Expo.
- Jul.14 → Clark's Gully and Briggs Gully Creek walk.
- Aug.11 → Garnsey Road; McCoord Woods, Horizon Hill section
- Sep.8 → Hang Around Victor Day.
- Oct.13 → Finger Lakes Trail, Bristol branch.
- Nov.10 → New Webster trails.
- Dec.8 → Helmer Nature Center, Durand Eastman Park, and new Lakeshore Trail at Seabreeze.