

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS  
MEETING AT VICTOR TOWN HALL  
JULY 19, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Chauncy Young, Jeff Hennick, David Coleman, David Wright, Matt Schaertl, Kenneth Page.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:31 PM.

MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2006 MEETING:

Minutes were not prepared. Motion to approve tabled until next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chauncy Young

As of 06/30/07.....

CD	\$ 10,000
Checking	\$ 1,995
Total	\$ 11,995
Other assets	\$ 2,554
Total assets	\$ 14,549

Motion to accept the report by Jeff, seconded by David C. Approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: David Coleman

Members last month	116 (corrected)
Renewals	11
New members	0
Rejoined	3
Dropped	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>119</b>

PUBLICITY:

Dave Wright sent an e-mail to the newspapers regarding our hike on August 11<sup>th</sup>. It was noted that as a result of our last notice to the papers that we had 8 new hikers on the creek walks. Several expressed an interest in joining VHT.

EDUCATION:

Ruth was on vacation.

NEWSLETTER:

Next issue will be mailed the end of Sept. Deadline for articles is Sept. 20. Send to Dave Wright at [dwrigh10@rochester.rr.com](mailto:dwrigh10@rochester.rr.com).

TRAILMASTER:

Carol MacInnes was on vacation.

### TRAIL BOSS:

Larry was celebrating his wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary Larry and Carole.

### LAST HIKE

July 14<sup>th</sup>. 13 people enjoyed creek walking in Briggs Gully (at Wesley Hill Nature Preserve) and Clark's Gully. It was a pretty day and the creeks were refreshing.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Reminder- Fat Tire Festival- Saturday, July 21 at Dryer Road Park. We will have a presence at the Festival with our tent, literature, maps, pictures, display of trails, etc. We will offer for sale our license plate holders, bandanas, shirts and patches.

Reminder- Our Adirondack Fall Weekend will be Sept. 21-23.

Reminder- The NYS Canal Corp.- Canal Splash, August 10-12, 2007. Ride your bike on the canal from one event to the next. We will not be attending as a group or participating in any of the displays.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Jeff Hennick requested permission to move our website to a new host for better service. Motion by Chauncy, seconded by David C. to authorize Jeff to spend up to \$200 to move our website. Approved.

Jeff is working on a book that will contain maps of our trails that will be used by the local emergency responders when needing to access the trails. If a person calls 911 from a cell phone, the GPS coordinates on the phone will locate them on the map and show the closest road access point. Chauncy and Jeff will work with the town's emergency preparedness committee.

Matt Schaertl is a Manchester town board councilman and a founding member of the Lehigh Valley Snowmobile Club. His group has 60 miles of snowmobile trails in Ontario County. NYS donates \$500 to the club for every mile that is marked and maintained for snowmobiles. Many of the trails are across farm fields, with permission from the landowners. They do not use the trails for ATVs. The trails are open from Dec. 15 to March 15. Matt would like to work with VHT toward a share the trail program for snowmobiles and cross country skiers. He would like to connect Victor to the existing trails. He would like to mark the trails so snowmobilers know where they have permission to use the trails. Many of the users are families out during the day enjoying nature. We explained to Matt that both the Auburn Trail and Lehigh Trail have been improved with federal funding that prohibits motorized vehicles. We recommended that he contact landowners in Victor to get permission to use their land and make connections where possible. For more information about snowmobiling in NYS, see

[www.NYSSA.org](http://www.NYSSA.org)

Kenneth Page is a new resident to Victor. His new house is in Dorchester development off Brace Road and he is adjacent to the Auburn Trail. He would like to help maintain

that section of trail. We told Ken that section is slated to be improved soon, as part of the TEP grant for the Auburn. We encouraged him and his new neighbors to join VHT.

Victor Mountain Bike Club is promoting other towns to develop multi-use trails like the ones at Dryer Road Park. They want to increase their membership to show there is demand for more multi-use trails in our region. If you support their efforts, go to [www.victorMTBC.com](http://www.victorMTBC.com) and register to become a member. There is no cost.

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Hike on the Crescent Trail in Perinton. This hike will be on the Horizon Hill and McCord Woods sections. Meet at town hall rear parking lot at 9:00 AM and car pool to the trailhead or meet at the Garnsey Road parking lot at 9:25 AM.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM at Victor Town Hall. This will be the last meeting at the old town hall. It is scheduled to be torn down the week of September 10<sup>th</sup>. Future meetings will be held at the temporary town hall location at 1290 Blossom Drive, off Route 96, between Brace and East Victor Roads.

Motion to adjourn was made by Chauncy, seconded by Jeff. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM

## 2007 HIKES AND EVENTS

- Aug. 10-12 Erie Canal Splash. Events along the canal.  
Aug. 11 Garnsey Road; McCord Woods, Horizon Hill section (Dave Coleman)  
Sep. 8 Hang Around Victor Day.  
Sept. 21-23 Adirondack High Peak Weekend Adventure.  
Sep. 28-29 Parks and Trails New York Conference in Rochester  
Oct. 13 Finger Lakes Trail, Bristol branch.  
Oct. 13 Jack-O-Lantern Trail Walk on the Trolley Trail at Maple Ave.  
Oct. 20 Black Diamond Run, Ride, Run Race at Fishers Park  
Nov. 10 New Webster trails.  
Dec. 8 Helmer Nature Center, Durand Eastman Park, and new Lakeshore Trail at Seabreeze.