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VICTOR HIKING TRAILS

MEETING AT MARY FRANCES BLUEBIRD HAVEN

DECEMBER 20, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

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

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:34 p.m.

MINUTES OF NOV. 15, 2007 MEETING:

No changes.

Motion to accept as written made by Larry, seconded by Chauncy. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chauncy Young

As of 11/30/07.....

CD \$ 2,000

Checking \$ 3,767.41

Total \$ 5,767.41

Other assets \$ 2,753.83

Total assets \$ 8,657.97

Financial highlights from an active 2007:

-) over \$11,000 spent on trail improvements, including the construction of 3 bridges.

-) successful events in the community generating increased revenue; double 2006.

Motion by Ruth, seconded by Carol to accept the report. Approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: David ColemanMembers last month ~~126~~ 124

Renewals 6 9

New members 2 1

Rejoined 0 1

Dropped 0 0

Total ~~128~~ 126 128PUBLICITY:

Dave Wright updated the phone message and sent an e-mail to the newspapers for our January 12th hike at Mendon Ponds Park. This will offer the opportunity to visit Winter Trail Days, going on the same day there. We will meet at Stuart Lodge by Hundred Acre Pond at 9:30 a.m. A sign will be posted behind the old Town Hall indicating that.

EDUCATION:

Ruth reported no new activities. She stated that the Victor Teen Adventure Club would like to be involved with our winter trail maintenance activities.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Wright

The next issue will be the winter issue and will be mailed the first week of January.

TRAILMASTER: Carol MacInnes

Carol had nothing to report.

TRAIL BOSS: Larry Fisher

Winter projects were discussed, and January 19th picked to work on the Lehigh Trestle Bridge approaches. We will meet on site at 9:30 a.m., as long as there isn't a snowstorm in progress!!!

LAST HIKE

Eight people enjoyed the wintry VHT outing on December 8th, hiking the Lakeshore Trail east to Irondequoit Bay Outlet Pier. Chauncey posted some very icy, chilly-looking pictures after the hike was completed. The ice formations on the Pier were particularly impressive.

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!!

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 16 years in 2008 on Saturday, June 7. 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.

Auburn Trail activities:

-) The Auburn Trail Signage Committee has further clarified the content for the interpretative signs at the three 'plazas':

Fishers, near the pump house - pictures/descriptions of railroad influence on the area.

Lehigh Trestle Bridge – pictures of derailment, other information on that locale.

Mickey Finn's – history of Locke Insulators, the Victor railroad station.

The Architect will next create layouts with agreed upon content.

-) A 'stake holders' meeting for those interested in the design of the Auburn extension from Main St., Fishers to Powders Mill Park is scheduled for Friday, January 11, from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. at Fishers Fire House #1. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the values, goals, and objectives for the hiking, biking, and birding/outdoor communities.

Some Victor businesses remain to be contacted by members for future Newsletter Ads. Contact Dave Wright at 924-3709 for more information.

NEW BUSINESS:

*Send out broad e-mail
to trail users to attend
Jan. 31st meeting 3-7PM
@ Temp. Town Hall.
Open House -
Auburn*

Chauncy submitted a 2008 budget proposal for comments/review. A motion was made by Nat to approve the submission as a working budget; seconded by Larry. Passed.

Chauncy proposed the Board consider the new position of Volunteer Coordinator. The organization could be made more efficient and the workload better spread out with an assessment of Victor Hiking Trails members talents, skills, and volunteer history. This would be a major function of this position. Discussion on the subject was generally positive. No action was taken. **Anyone who would like to help, please contact Dave Wright at 924-3709 or e-mail at dwrigh10@rochester.rr.com**

Chauncy, seconded by Larry, made a motion to join the Victor Chamber of Commerce as a non-profit member. Annual dues are \$25. Passed.

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, January 12th, hike / snowshoe / X-C ski at Mendon Ponds Park; bring your preferred mode(s) of 'getting around'. We will meet at Stuart Lodge by Hundred Acre Pond at 9:30 a.m. Pack a lunch. Plan on being done around 1:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, January 17, 7:30 p.m. at MaryFrances Bluebird Haven

Motion to adjourn was made by Ruth, seconded by Chauncy. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Schedule for 2008 hikes/outings:

Jan. 12th Mendon Ponds Park

Feb. 9th Harriet Hollister Park

Mar. 8th Dryer Road Park

Apr. 12th Canadice Lake Trail

Apr. ? Adirondack Spring Weekend

May 10th Browncroft Road / Irondequoit Creek wetlands trails

May 31st Victor Train Festival and Inaugural Excursion

Jun. 7th National Trails Days

Jun. 14th Bike ride

Jul. 12th Robert Treman / Buttermilk Falls State Parks

Aug. 9th Fillmore Glen State Park

Aug. 30th Bare Hill Ring of Fire supper picnic and evening hike

Sep. 6th Hang Around Victor Day and Victor Fest

Sep. ? Adirondack Fall Weekend

Oct. 11th Swifts Landing

Nov. 8th Finger Lakes Trail, Bristol Section

Dec. 13th Sherwood Parcel (Penfield)

*Feb 2 @ 8AM @ Parks Garage
Concrete*