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VHT May 20, 2010 Minutes

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS

MEETING AT VICTOR TOWN HALL

May 20, 2010

ATTENDANCE: Dave Wright, Chauncy Young, David Coleman, Wizzy Geno, Larry Fisher, Gregg Richards, Jeff Hennick, and Ruth Nellis.

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

MINUTES of April 15, 2010 meeting:

Motion by Ruth, seconded by Wizzy to approve. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As of 04/30/10

Checking & savings- \$9,529

Other assets-\$2,047

Total equity- \$ 11,576

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: report submitted by Dave Coleman

Members last month: 146

Renewals: 8

New members: 3

Rejoined: 0

Dropped: 0

Total: 149

PUBLICITY: We now have a Facebook Fan page. Check it out and sign up.

Dave Wright updated the phone message (585-234-8226) and sent an e-mail to the newspapers for our National Trails Day hike on June 5th. We will meet at Valentown Museum at 8:30 a.m.The hike will last approximately 5 hours. Call 234-8226 to sign up. Chauncy submitted a newspaper article regarding NTD and another about a scout Eagle project at Victor Muni Park that Chauncy is helping with the design of a bridge.

EDUCATION: Ruth recently returned from Seattle.

NEWSLETTER: Submit articles for the summer issue by 6/17.

TRAILMASTER: We have a copy of the map showing the trails to be installed at High Point. They will be built as the project is built. Chauncy has a revocable permit from John DeValle. We can now complete the trail from the Apple Farm to Boughton Park. Chauncy will get the Wednesday Trail Crew to help with the clearing.

TRAIL BOSS: The '10 season maintenance season has started. The mowers start easier since installing a fuel line shutoff.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR- Wizzy reported that she, Chauncy and Nat will help at the Valentown booth on May 23. She is getting drivers for NTD. She is looking for volunteers to be at the ADK Expo in Mendon Ponds Park on Saturday, June 12.

LAST HIKE: The May 8 hike at MaryFrances Bluebird Haven and Monkey Run Trails was well attended on a fair day. Several members had not hiked any of these trails before. The white trillium in Monkey Run were in full bloom.

OLD BUSINESS: Anyone who needs a special Victor Hiking Trails license plate holder, please contact Dave Wright. A few are left at the very special price of two for \$5.00. Show your support for Victor Trails wherever you go!! And the bright yellow with green lettering can be a help in identifying your car in a busy parking lot!!

The rerouting of the Blue Trail at Ganondagan (Fort Hill) that Jeff and Chauncy consulted on are reported to be nearly complete. This will allow bikes to ride from Dryer Road Park to School Street.

The new Domine Trail connecting the Auburn and Lehigh needs to be blazed (yellow markings). Also, the Seneca Trail south connector into Boughton Park needs blazing. Chauncy gave GPS coordinates to Jeff.

The new VHT logo ball caps are selling fast; additional caps have been ordered.

The Victor Village Cemetery Bicentennial will be held on May 22nd. A dedication ceremony at 1:30 p.m. will be followed at 3:00 p.m. by a costumed tour of the cemetery. Some local people of note in this cemetery include Eleazor Boughton, Samuel Rawson, William Bushnell, and veterans of our nation's earliest wars.

June 5th is National Trails Day. VHT is planning a 3-stage hike of the Seneca Trail, starting at Valentown Museum, and ending at the Apple Farm (or maybe in Boughton Park). More details are in the Spring newsletter. Postcards will be mailed to the membership, and Larry will post a notice on Facebook. Our event is also listed on the American Hiking Society's website.

Dave sent a note to Brian Emelson with the idea of a durable map of VHT trails, using left over grant money from the Auburn Trail Project. Brian recommended that we wait and use the funds from the Auburn Extension project.

An open forum on the Auburn Trail Extension Final Design was held on Thursday, April 29th,

from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Victor Town Hall. It was well attended.

The Mother's Day "Throw Your Momma on the Train" excursion was sold out.

Jack Napolitano completed his Eagle project in Lehigh Crossing Park. His bridge over the creek looks great and is extremely sturdy. Congratulations on a well organized and executed project.

Two new historical signs have been installed on Maple Ave. One is by the Trolley Trail showing the Trolley station. The other is by the Black Diamond Hotel telling about the Lehigh Valley RR.

NEW BUSINESS:

Victor Municipal Park will open and be dedicated on June 19th at 10:00 a.m. Come and see this new park.

The EMS store in Pittsford is having a "Upgrade Your Gear event on May 21-23. Great sales for everyone.

Gregg suggested that a crosswalk is needed on Maple Ave. where the Trolley Trail / Auburn Trail crosses. All agreed and recommended that the Village consider adding a crosswalk at this location.

Gordy Phillips has posted his property at the northwest corner of Lehigh Crossing Park. The town needs to reroute the trail to connect to the Lehigh Trail.

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, June 5, 2010, at Valentown Museum at 8:30 a.m..

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, June 17, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn was made by David. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Wright

Acting Secretary

Schedule of 2010 hikes/outings:

Jun. 12- Keuka Outlet Trail. Bike ride both ways. Meet at Town Hall at 9 a.m. and caravan to Dresden trailhead.

Jun. 12- ADK Outdoor Expo at Mendon Ponds Park. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Jul. 10- Lehigh Trail from Victor to Mendon (get an ice cream cone) and back on bikes. Meet at Old Dutch parking lot at 9 a.m.

Aug. 14 - Grimes Glenn and Conklin Gully creek walk and hike. Ice cream after hike in Naples.

Sept. 4 - Bare Hill and Ring of Fire supper and hike. Meet at Town Hall at 5:30 p.m. Bring your supper.

Sept. 11- Hang Around Victor Day and Victor Fest

Oct. 9 - Cleveland Hill Fall Foliage Hike

Nov. 13 – Crescent Trail, starting at Old Foley Rd.

Dec. 11 – Dryer Rd./ Fort Hill/ Ganondagan, ending at Mickey Finn's for lunch.