VICTOR HIKING TRAILS

MEETING AT VICTOR TOWN HALL

January 19, 2012

ATTENDANCE: Dave Wright, Chauncy Young, Carol MacInnes, Nat Fisher.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:42 p.m.

MINUTES of December 15 meeting:

Motion by Carol, seconded by Chauncy. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chauncy Young

As of 12/31/11.

Checking and savings - \$8,659

Other assets - \$1,840

Total assets - \$ 10,499

Motion by Nat. Seconded by Carol. Approved.

The annual audit will be conducted following the February 16 meeting.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: no report.

PUBLICITY: The phone message has been updated and a press release made announcing the February 11th X/C ski/hike at Mendon Ponds Park. Our hikes and meetings are now on the Victor Town calendar.

EDUCATION: The chairperson position of the Education Committee is open. Anyone interested in this exciting and important position should contact Dave Wright or other persons on the board of VHT. **VOLUNTEERS:** no report.

NEWSLETTER: The Spring newsletter deadline will be March 15. Future newsletters will have limited print copies, available at the library and some sponsor locations. Anyone can access past and current newsletters on the VHT website.

TRAILMASTER: Carol met with Dave Schaffer of Perinton and property owner Wayne Pickering to discuss a route to connect the Seneca Trail with the Crescent Trail in Perinton. Wayne will review their discussion with family members and get back to Carol.

TRAIL BOSS: no report.

LAST HIKE: A total of 8 people got out and enjoyed the unseasonably snowy weather on January 14th at Harriet Hollister Park. As it turned out, great X/C skiing/ snow shoeing weather for that weekend only!!

OLD BUSINESS:

The section of The Auburn Trail north from Fishers Rd. has a new steel bridge and stone dust surface from the bridge north to Probst Road and is open to use by the public. Further trail improvements will continue in the spring.

The Town of Victor will be celebrating 200 years in 2012. There will be something planned for every month. VHT will help the committee plan a bike ride and historic walk in October 2012.

Dave is working with Brian Emelson and Victor Parks & Recreation to coordinate the painting of a mural on the Auburn Trail Thruway underpass in Fishers recently resurfaced. A contest at Victor

High School's Art Department is being proposed.

VHT has scheduled "A Tasty Way to Raise Dough" on 3/15/12 at Uno's. Details will be included in the Winter Newsletter, coming out at the end of December.

VHT's Dave Wright will be the featured speaker on Saturday, February 11th, at "A Hiker's Jamboree", an indoor hike at Penfield Town Hall.

The Moonlight Hike on January 7th was well attended. A total of 37 people hiked east on the Auburn Trail, circled back through Victor Municipal Park, and ended up at Mickey Finn's for refreshments of their choice.

The Victor 5th grade has invited VHT to lead a "Winter Fitness Day" on February 1st. Dave, Wizzy, and Chauncy will participate.

NEW BUSINESS:

Victor-Farmington Rotary Club will hold a Winter Fest Beer and Food Paring on February 12th at Finger Lakes Casino and Racetrack.

The 2012 National Trails Day hike by VHT has been decided. Fishers Fire Dept. house 1 will be used as the start point for three hikes. 1) Auburn Trail west to Probst Rd at Railroad Mills and back. 2) Auburn Trail east to Domine Trail (yellow), then west on Lehigh Trail, and back through Fishers Park. 3) Auburn Trail east past Rt. 251, then the Trolley Trail to the Lehigh Trail west to the Domine Trail (blue), back to House 1 on the Auburn.

A part of the American Hiking Society grant for the Domine Trail bridge was education. It was decided that identifying the many varieties of trees on the Domine Trail would be enlightening to the hiking public. Several sign options were discussed. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

NEXT HIKE:

The next outing will be February 11th at Mendon Ponds Park. Hopefully we will have snow by then.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, February 16, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Motion to adjourn was made by Carol. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nat Fisher

Secretary

Schedule of '12 hikes/outings:

Boughton Park

Dec 8 -

Mendon Ponds Winter Fest Feb 11 -Mar 10 -**Dryer Road Park** Powder Mills Park Apr 14 -May 12 -Webster Park National Trails Day. Auburn Trail Ext., Domine Trails, Lehigh Trail Jun 2 bike ride on Lehigh and Auburn. Jun 9 -Keuka Outlet Trail. Bike or hike. Jul 14 -Conklin's Gully Aug 11 -Sep 1 -Ring of Fire Sep 8 -Hang Around Victor Day Historic walk in Victor Oct 13 -Black Creek Park Nov 10 -

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