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VICTOR HIKING TRAILS**MEETING AT VICTOR TOWN HALL**

October 15, 2009

ATTENDANCE: Dave Wright, Chauncy Young, Carol MacInnes, Ruth Nellis, Dave Coleman, Wizzy Geno, Larry Fisher, Jeff Hennick, Nat Fisher.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:35 p.m.

MINUTES of September 17 meeting:

Motion by Ruth, seconded by Wizzy. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chauncy Young.

As of 09/30/09

Checking & savings- \$ 7,608

Other assets- \$2,195

Total equity- \$ 9,803

Motion by Larry, seconded by Dave C. to approve the financial report. Approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: David Coleman.

Members last month: 134

Renewals: 5

New members: 12

Rejoined: 1

Dropped: 15

Total: 132

PUBLICITY: Dave Wright will update the phone message (585-234-8226) and send an e-mail to the newspapers for the 11/14/09 hike in Boughton Park. We will be parking at the Stirnie Rd. lot. Please call the VHT phone number to indicate the number of cars in

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your group and whether you need a parking pass.

EDUCATION: Wizzy is helping organize adult supervision for a Helping Hands outing which took place on October 24 to pick up litter on Victor's hiking trails. Ruth has a lot of cookies (frozen) left from HAVD!! She is also looking for ideas for fund raiser foods for next year's Victor Fest. A suggestion was made VHT should sell salty snacks to compliment the beer sales.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Wright – The deadline for material to be included in the Winter issue is the December meeting on 12/17.

TRAILMASTER: Carol MacInnes - A trail through the Judson property to connect the Seneca Trail from the Apple Farm to Boughton Park will be open very soon. Carol has received permission from The Best Western to walk on their property. We will need to "blaze" the sidewalk to complete this project. The Iron Butterfly is OK with trailhead and parking signs in their parking lot. Carol made a suggestion that VHT supply the area motels with trail maps. The revocable permit has been signed by Domine, which will allow a trail to be blazed between the Lehigh and Auburn rail trails and plans to move forward for a bridge to be constructed at the Auburn end. Chauncy and Jeff will get the trail blazed and Chauncy will see if "The Winter Trail Crew" is interested in clearing the trail.

TRAIL BOSS: Chauncy's report--

Chauncy will contact the Wednesday retiree trail workers to see what they can help us with this fall.

The VHT trail maintenance equipment has been put away until spring!

[It was good to see Larry behind the Billy Goat again on 10/11....hope to see much more of him out there next year!!!]

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR- Wizzy

As noted earlier, Wizzy helped to organize a Helping Hands outing by Victor Senior High students to clean up our trails, with emphasis on road crossings.

LAST HIKES: On October 10th, VHT led 10 hikers on Rob's Trail on the west side of Canadice Lake. Going up the side of the hill was steep for the first half before traversing the second half. The top plateau was nice and the leaves were at their peak.

OLD BUSINESS: Anyone who needs a special Victor Hiking Trails license plate holder, please contact Dave Wright...a few left at the very special price of **two for \$5.00** (they would make great 'stocking stuffers'!!). 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 !!

PAYPAL- This method of donating to VHT is up and running.

Chauncy has proposed a new VHT t-shirt and cap. He will work with Tim Maher on the design.

A suggestion made by John at a previous meeting to mark VHT's trails for the level of difficulty

was discussed at some length without any action taken. It was agreed that at least for some of our trails might benefit, and further discussion is warranted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jeff and Chauncy met with the Ganondagan group and discussed changes to the blue trail to reduce erosion. They are also looking to reroute some of the trail so bikes can by-pass the top of Fort Hill.

Dave sent a letter to the Town of Farmington in support of a grant to conduct a study to extend the Auburn trail through the town to the Canandaigua town line. It would go from County Road 41 to State Route 332.

In response to a request from Brian Emelson, ideas on ways to utilize remaining Auburn Trail grant monies were discussed. Dave will get back to Brian on some ideas from the group.

Dave will request a pdf. File from Finger Lakes Trails on their trail maintenance manual. We may learn some helpful ideas from this manual.

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, November 14th - Boughton Park, East Bloomfield. Call 234-8226 to sign up for this hike.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, November 19, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Election of Officers and discussion of next years monthly hikes.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave C. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nat Fisher

Secretary

Schedule of '09 hikes/outings:

Dec 12- Powder Mills Park, Perinton.