



VICTOR HIKING TRAILS, INC.

85 East Main Street * Victor * New York * 14564-1397

Aug. 22, 1996
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM with 7 attending:
Dave Wright Chauncy Young Ruth Nellis
Carol MacInnes Larry Fisher Jeff Hennick
Douglas Fisher

Last Month's Minutes: The calendar was omitted from last month's minutes. Chauncy noted that treasury amounts will be reported as of the end of each month, not as of the date of the meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

\$574.36 total July's income
\$452.57 total July's expenses

\$1992.34 in checking account
\$4887.49 in savings account
\$6879.83 total assets

Membership Report:

- We have one new membership - Welcome to Ken and Linette Rogers who joined after reading our brochure given to them by the Welcome Wagon.
- 11 have renewed their memberships, one for \$100.

Historian's Report :

- Dave had numerous articles including those on: the Mendon landfill closure, Stuart Horse Trials, Ganondagan long house construction/funding, the Lehigh Railroad bed, Pittsford buying the rights to farm land for open space, Bridge Walk '96, Auburn Trail.

Education Report:

No report.

Adopt-a-Trail:

No report.

Report on Valentown Show: We sold 3 books, had one membership renewal and assisted with parking cars. A big thanks from VHT to the members who helped out here. Gratitude

was also expressed by Douglas on behalf of his parents for this.

Book Sale: Last month's sale of Lewis Fisher's book brought in \$454.75. Larry has received copies of the second printing. Chauncy needs to send Lewis another check.

Hang Around Victor Day: Sat., Sept. 7, 1996
Call Dave to sign up for a time at our booth. We will sell patches, bandannas, Victor books, distribute Bridge Walk and membership brochures. If anyone would make bird feeders, bat houses or walking sticks, it will be greatly appreciated. Dave has plans for bat and butterfly houses.

Fall Fund Raiser: Sat., September 21, 1996
Brochures are out at various businesses. Dave has brochures. If you leave some with a new business, let him know. Dave will write a press release for the newspaper, radio and TV. He will also mail a brochure to all VHT members. Ask your neighbors to support you. Larry will contact law enforcement agencies and the ambulance corps to inform them of the event and ask for any needed assistance.

Annual Adirondack Hike with Marcia: Oct. 4-6
Let Dave know as soon as possible if you plan to attend.

ISTEA Grants:

An estimate from Sniedze Associates for the bridge over Irondequoit Creek for \$4,600 would cover preparation for the U.S. Corps of Engineers, field survey, compliance with NYSDEC and NYSDOT requirements, design of bridge rehabilitation and preparation of final plans. We need 3 bids. Of the \$8,000 in grant money \$2,000 may be used for design.

Last Month's Hike:

Douglas lead the hike on a beautiful day. They followed the Auburn railroad bed from Route 251 to Rawson Road and explored an area south of Main Street by the old trolley bed which could possibly give us an option for a connection with the Auburn.

Newsletter:

Information for the next issue is due around October 1. Give your articles to Dave or Amy. A print shop in Canandaigua gave us a good deal on printing and folding the last issue.

Trailmaster's Report:

-Carol attended a meeting of the Multi-Use Trail association which is working on a map of trails in the Greater Rochester area. Discussion focused on the use of mountain bikes on multi-use trails. It has been found

that the bikers do not stay on the trails. Of our trails, only the Auburn is a multi-use trail suitable for bikes and horses. Therefore, it will be shown on this map, but the Seneca Trail will not be shown.

- The Monroe Co. Water Authority suggested we establish a trail on the water line off Benson Rd.. We will need permission from the land owners. This will be looked into.

Trailboss' Report:

- Trail marker signs are up between the firehouse on High St. and Willowbrook.
- Vandals have torn off the signs in Fishers. Larry will replace them.
- The large stone along the Auburn at Phillips Road will soon be taken care of. A new sewer line is being installed.
- Dave and Larry met with Matt Bloss to reroute his board walk due to the depth of water from beaver activity.
- The purchase of a bush hog of 8 hp, 26" wide would cost between \$1,300 for a Briggs Stratton engine and \$1,900 for a Honda engine. Dave will look into getting one via a state bid or the Monroe Co. Water Authority.
- Check the VHT calendar for the remaining maintenance dates.

New Business:

- Chauncy introduced the idea of changing our quorum requirements which is currently 10% (of 116 members) or approximately 12 members. Since we have meetings where this is not met, he is proposing a change to 5%. Chauncy also proposed that the current limit of \$50 per check be raised to \$250 per check before requiring the signature of two officers. These will be published in the next newsletter and voted on at the November meeting. Please come to the meetings to discuss these issues.
- Chauncy met with Jack Bauer to discuss clearing along the south side of the Lehigh Valley Trail.
- At a zoning board meeting, the placement of a 135-foot Sprint tower on Old Dutch Rd. across from Koch Container was tabled until Sept. 3. The tower would be visible from the trail.
- Sue and Rich Freeman report that they were in Cheshire, MA on Aug. 4, and are still communicating with each other. By Aug. 15, they were in Hanover, NH and expect to complete their trek in 6 weeks. Good Luck to you!

Next Hike: Sat., Oct 12, 1996.

Meet at Fisher's Firehouse #1 at 9AM to car pool to Bentley Woods. Carol will lead.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, Sept. 26, 1996, at the Town Hall at 7:30PM.

Adjournment: 9:45PM

Secretary - Ruth E. Nellis

VHT CALENDAR

Sept. 5 Trail Maintenance, Auburn Trail, Rte. 251, 6PM
Sept. 7 Hang Around Victor Day
Sept. 12 Trail Maintenance, Seneca Trail, Fishers Fire
Hall #2, High St., 6PM
Sept. 19 Trail Maintenance, Seneca Trail, intersection of
Routes 96 and 251, 6PM
Sept. 21 "Bridge Walk '96"
Sept. 26 7:30PM, VHT monthly meeting at Town Hall
Oct. 4-6 Hike Adirondacks at Marcia's.
Oct. 12 Hike Bentley Woods - lead by Carol
Nov. 9 Hike 1000-Acre Swamp

Watershed Talks & Treks - Thursdays at 7:30PM at Old Hemlock School, 4705 So. Main St. Hemlock. Free and open to the public:

Talks:

Sept 12 - Ponds and Trees: The City's Land Management Plan

Sept. 26 - Old Growth Forests

Oct. 10 - Flora and Fauna: A Resource Inventory

Oct. 24 - Family Plots: Cemeteries of Hemlock and Canadice

Treks:

Sat., Sept. 7 - A Walking Tour Through History. Meet at 9AM at gate at south end of Canadice Lake.

Sat., Oct. 19 - Who Lies There? Tour Allen's Hill Cemetery. Meet at 9AM, Belcher Rd. off co. rd. 37, Richmond