



# VICTOR HIKING TRAILS, INC.

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

Nov. 21, 1996  
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM with 8 attending:

Dave Wright	Chauncy Young	Ruth Nellis
Carol MacInnes	Larry Fisher	Jeff Hennick
Marcia Bryan	Norm Smith	

It was great having Marcia attend the meeting and hope she will come again soon! She expressed her appreciation for the VHT T-shirt.

#### **Last Month's Minutes:**

Correction of name under Trailmaster's Report: Carol Kilkes owns the land on the steep hill on Benson Rd.. Minutes approved as corrected.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

\$7223.42 total cash and bank account as of 10/31/96  
We now have an account with Victor Coal and Lumber. This will be useful at times such as when scouts need materials for a trails project; we may charge the costs but an officer must be present.

#### **Membership Report:**

Welcome, to Sherrill Spires, our newest member. This brings our membership up to 143 members, including public relations people.

#### **Publicity Report:**

Information for the next hike will be sent to the area's newspapers.

#### **Historian's Report :**

Dave submitted articles on the North Country Trail which extends from the Adirondacks to North Dakota, and on nature centers in the area. Someone has placed a very nice, framed, 1940 train schedule along the Ontario Pathways. BUT WHO?

**Adopt-a-Trail:**

We have received the signed contract from Barb and Jack Clarcq who will maintain the portion of the Seneca Trail from Maple Ave. to Brace Rd..

**Book Sale:**

- Someone from Illinois ordered one of Lewis Fisher's books.
- Thus far, we have netted \$1,455 from the sale of this book.
- Approximately 145 books remain to be sold.

**ISTEA Grants:**

- Larry talked with Brian Powers (of Sear-Brown); he had nothing yet to report on an estimate. He did highlight our two major problems with the bridge over the Irondequoit Creek: erosion and keeping the bridge from caving in. Since this will be a costly project due to the labor involved, he is looking into his company helping out with the labor.
- Bob Raymond (from Sniedze) was given a call by Larry.
- Mike Simon (from MRB) was also contacted but is out of town until Dec. 2. Larry will contact him when he returns.

**Last Month's Hike:**

Seven members hiked 1,000-Acre Swamp and were guided by Dave Strong.

**Newsletter:**

The next newsletter will come out in February; deadline for articles is January 31. The Town newsletter will be published only in May and November.

**Trailmaster's Report:**

- Carol, Larry and Chauncy will meet November 24 with the Nature Conservancy to discuss the trail from Pipers', through the gap at Burtons' and on to Royal View Heights.
- The latest MUTC report indicates that the trail is beginning to look good. They are trying to interest more private land owners and businesses.

**Trailboss' Report:**

- The Lehigh Trail sign committee will meet Dec. 2.
- Jeff Hultzapple, Troop 86, completed his bridge on Nov.16. Larry will write a thank you letter to Jeff and his scoutmaster.
- On Oct. 26, 27, Larry, Jeff and Matt worked on bridges; Explorer Post 295 helped carry in the lumber near the Auburn Creek driving range which was a big help.
- The Explorers worked on the new branch of the Seneca Trail at Ganondagan; they did a fantastic job clearing a trail. Larry will send a thank you letter.

-We will need a few small boardwalks at Ganondagan.

**New Business:**

- Nominating Committee results:
  - Chairperson - Dave Wright
  - Vice Chairperson - Norm Smith
  - Treasurer - Chauncy Young
  - Secretary - Ruth Nellis with the assistance of Dave WrightThe nominations were seconded. No other nominations were given. The secretary cast one vote, the treasurer seconded the nominations, the slate was approved.
- Amendments to the ByLaws .
  - Article 7.2 required the signature of 2 officers for checks of \$50 or more. It was moved, seconded and carried to change the amount to \$250.
  - Article 2.5 required that a quorum consist of 10% of the total membership roll to conduct business. It was moved, seconded and carried that a quorum shall consist of a majority of elected and appointed officers.
- Deer hunters have been spotted on some of the trails. A warning for hunters stating that this is a multi-use trail and no hunting is allowed on or near the trail has been posted. The signs will be removed after Christmas.
- We received a letter of intent from the Victor Community Center to occupy a portion of the junior high building; they are looking for other organizations to also use the space.
- The Dowling property (Turk Hill Rd. and rte.96) is up for rezoning from residential to commercial. Eastview is planning another addition which is coming up before the Planning Board on Tues., Nov. 26.
- We heard from Macedon Trails; they plan to do a lot of work this spring.
- We gave our WEB site address to the Center for Environmental Information. We will send \$10 for the 1997 issue of their periodical.
- In 1997, Growth Management will address cellular tower regulations, access from rte. 251 and 96, and affordable housing (new, value houses) in Victor.
- Over 30 people viewed Sue and Rich Freeman's slide show on Nov.6. It was an excellent presentation of the facts and the beauty of the Appalachian Trail which they hiked this past year. It will again be presented on Dec. 10 at the Victor Free Library.
- The Chamber of Commerce will meet at DiPacific's on Dec. 5. An update on the area's health care system will be given.
- Dave received a reply back from the DOT regarding bridges over creeks with applications.
- Dates for VHT meetings in 1997 are the 4th Thurs. of each month unless otherwise noted:

Jan. 23	May 22	Sep. 25
Feb. 27	June 26	Oct. 23

Mar. 27            July 24            Nov. 20 (3rd Thurs.)  
Apr. 24            Aug. 28            Dec. 18 (3rd Thurs.)

**Next Hike:** Sat., Dec. 14, 1996.

Meet at the Town Hall, 9AM to car pool to Mendon Ponds.

**Next Meeting:** Dec. 19, 1996, 7:30PM Town Hall. Come join the Christmas party and have/bring holiday refreshments.

**Adjournment:** 8:55PM

Secretary - Ruth E. Nellis

#### VHT CALENDAR

Dec. 2 - Sign Committee meeting  
Dec. 5 - Chamber of Commerce meeting  
Dec. 10 - Freemans' presentation at the Victor Free Library  
Dec. 14 - Hike at Mendon Ponds  
Dec. 19 - VHT meeting and holiday party; 7:30 at Town Hall

Other future monthly hikes:

Jan. 11 - Harriet Hollister Spencer Memorial Park (X-ski)  
Feb. 8 - Boughton Park  
Mar. 8 - Powder Mills Park  
Apr. 12 - Durand Eastman Park  
May 10 - Spring Farm, Newark  
June 12 - National Trails Day - Monkey Run & Bluebird Sanctuary  
July 12 - Gananda Park, west side of Canandaigua Lake