

# VICTOR HIKING TRAILS, INC.

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Nov. 19
Oct. 22, 1998
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM with 9 attending:

Dave Wright

Larry Fisher

Carol MacInnes

Sue Freeman

Chauncy Young Ruth Nellis

Jeff Hennick

Rich Freeman

Dave Coleman

## Last Month's Minutes:

Approved as written.

## Treasurer's Report:

November:

Checking account 377.70

Savings account 5435.70

Total

5813.40

## Membership:

1 membership was renewed.

Welcome to our newest members, John Blawski, Mary Jeanne Mooney and D.G.N. English.

Total members is 137 households.

### **Publicity:**

Dave faxed a notice to the newspapers for the December hike.

Voice mail has been updated for the hike.

#### Historian:

Articles on Penfield and Perinton park grants and our November 14 hike were submitted.

#### Newsletter:

The rough draft is complete for the December newsletter. Any last minute additions, call Dave before December 1. The next newsletter is set for March 1.

#### Trailmaster's Report:

Carol has a map of the Tambe development; Carol will check with Frank Tambe regarding a trail easement.

Jane Luce has information on Fisher's Park (there will be an exercise trail and audio tapes for the visually impaired), the Blue Bird Sanctuary, the connection between Dryer Rd. park and Fort Hill (there is a grant of \$191,000) and the Lehigh (pebble-size gravel will be spread over the large stones).

A letter was received from Thomas and Karen Simonds asking us to remove trail signs by 11/30/98. Carol and Ruth will speak with them regarding alternatives. This property is the former Johnson land along Dryer Rd., land along which the Seneca Trail lies.

Peter Fabio, developer of the Ryan /Monkey Run land, will meet with VHT members Tues., Nov. 24, 4PM to discuss trail possibilities.

## **Trail Boss' Report:**

Larry would like to thank all who helped in maintaining the trails this past year. Monkey Run has some trees down from the Labor Day storm. They will be cleared Tues., Nov. 24.

Auburn East from Break of Day to E. Victor Rd. has been rerouted and cleared; it needs to be blazed and two small bridges over the creeks are needed. Dave sent a thank you to Venture Crew #295 for helping clear this trail.

#### Last Hike:

16 hikers participated in the November hike at Powder Mill; 1 1/2 hours were spent on the trail.

#### **Old Business:**

Carol's "surprise gully" hike slated for 1999 will be to Dish Mill Creek - Letchworth.

#### **New Business:**

The following officers were elected for the new year:

Chairperson: Dave Wright Vice-chairperson: Norm Smith Treasurer: Chauncy Young

Secretary: Ruth Nellis; Assistant: Kathy Manners

On Fri., Nov. 27, 9AM, Interchange Heights will be marked.

The section of the Seneca from the old house to the trolley line has been tagged. It needs blazing, and some sections are muddy , requiring a boardwalk.

The Freemans put together guidelines for trail blazing so standards will be followed along all trails. Some modifications were discussed. They also volunteered to blaze the Seneca Trail.

Dave, Sue and Rich attended the Greenway annual meeting/dinner. The City of Rochester has plans to develop both sides of the Genesee River from Genesee Valley Park to Lake Ontario. There was a slide show of the canal trek. Webster is developing the Hojack Line.

Royal View Heights Trail is clear and tagged. It needs signs and blazing. Many bottles at the top need to be collected.

The Lehigh Trail keeps "losing" the hunting signs especially at Phillips Rd.; VHT signs at Phillips are needed.

A golf course is proposed for the land opposite St. John's Lutheran Church along Victor-Egypt Rd. at Lynaugh and the Thruway.

Construction for the Victor Senior Apts. on School between the Auburn Trail and the Post Office has begun.

Macedon Trails reports that they had a lot of tree damage from the Labor Day storm. Most have been cleared. They have a Web page: www.servtech.com/public/rbs/macedon.htm

NY Parks and Conservation Assoc. is creating a group of trail associations. It will be a roundtable of these organizations and will meet 1-2 times per year. VHT was invited to join; members voted and approved.

Crescent Trails has a new map; Sue has an article in their newsletter.

Trail Works (Wayne Co.) will have a meeting Dec. 3 at the Cornell Cooperative Extension where private landowners between Marion and Newark will discuss concerns on having trails.

Portable orange cone pedestrian crossing signs are available with a permit.

From Sept. 1997 - Sept. 1998, 7,136 bikes were transported on RTS buses.

Mike Dittman of Eagle Trail Landscape has offered to help with trails and bridges.

Debbie Kravash, who freelances for the Daily Messenger, has offered to help with the newsletter.

#### **Next Hike:**

Royal Coach Trail and Mendon Ponds Park. Meet at Town Hall 9 AM or on Mendon Center Rd. just south of the Thruway near the trailhead. Allow 1 1/2 - 2 hours.

Next Meeting: 7:30PM, Thurs., Dec. 17, 1998, due to Christmas.

**Adjournment:** 9:15PM

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Nellis

#### VHT CALENDAR

Dec. 12 - Hike Royal Coach Trail and Mendon Ponds Park

Dec. 17 - Monthly meeting, Holiday party

Jan. 9 - Annual Board of Directors Kick-off Breakfast at Dede's at 7:30 AM followed by hike at Webster Park.

"It takes three cloudy days to bring a heavy snow." from Yankee Weather Proverbs