

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

July 15, 2004

Meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by Dave Wright.

Attendees: Dave Wright, David Coleman, Carol MacInnes, Jeff Henrick, Larry Fisher, Chauncy Young

Last Month's Minutes: Motion by ^{Carol} Larry, seconded by ^{Chauncy} Carol and carried to approve minutes from June 17, 2004 meeting.

Treasurer's Report: (Chauncy Young) for May.

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| CD | \$3000 |
| Checking | \$2564 2750 |
| Cash | 0.00 |
| Total | \$5564 5750 |

Membership: (David Coleman)

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| Previous month: | 154 |
| New members: | 2 |
| Rejoined: | 0 |
| Renewals: | 9 |
| Dropped: | 2 |
| Current: | 154 |

Post cards will be sent to delinquent members.

Publicity: (Dave Wright) Voice mail was updated. Newspapers were sent e-mail for our creek walk at Grimes Glen and Tanner Creek on August 14.

Historian: Articles on: family camping, Outdoor Expo.

Education:

Newsletter: (Dave Wright)

Town/Village newsletter to be mailed in August. Deadline for articles is July 21. Dave W. Will submit news on National Trails Day, new trail joining Monkey Run Trails, status of Auburn Trail and Connections Project and Project All Aboard.

Next issue of VHT newsletter is due to be mailed Sept. 1. Deadline is Thursday, August 19. Ideas? Hang Around Victor, Survey results, Trail status.

Trail Master: (Carol MacInnes)

Possible eagle project for bridge at Helen Schuder's across White Brook.

Trailboss: (Larry Fisher)

Bridge over Great Brook on hold due to higher priorities. Dave W. will contact Fritz in Sept. to see if he can put a small crew together to build the bridge. Dave W. will see if we can bring the materials in from the Apple Farm. It is still felt that we should build the bridge at the Parks Maintenance building and then transport to the site.

- Future projects- Ganondagan wet areas
- Widen small bridge at Auburn Golf Driving Range
- Need trail head signs for Royal View Trail
- Widen small bridge on Seneca Trail by the old house
- Need culverts on Trolley Trail, east and west of Rt. 251
- Wet areas in Fishers Park
- Put up Braille signs in Fishers Park.
- Replant post at Brace Road Done
- Replant post at Farmington town line. Done

The trail maintenance schedule for the season is on our website. We need more trail workers. Larry will call some of the people who have helped in the past or expressed a desire to help. He will get their e-mail addresses to remind them of where we are meeting. It was also suggested we carry schedules with us and give to trail users. Also, post the maintenance schedule on the trails. Also notify Adopt A Trail groups so they know when their trail will be mowed. New trail helpers should be trained to use the power equipment.

Larry would like to purchase a weed cutter, ~~so he doesn't have to use his own.~~

(Echo) and Chauncy has used it.

Last Hike:

11 hikers and our mascot Kamen hiked up Conklin's Gully on a beautiful morning. They stopped for lunch at the high falls, then continued on land to the top of Hi Tor, overlooking the south end of Canandaigua Lake. After returning to the cars, it was decided that everyone needed an ice cream cone from Bob and Ruth's Restaurant in Naples.

Old Business:

Auburn Trail Priority Study- Still waiting for update from Bergmann Associates.

Auburn TEP Grant- Design phase is done and construction on the Lehigh Trail will begin at the end of July.

GPS- Still waiting for Kristin Bennett to reply with ideas for our master trails plan. Kevin Schultz will be making a trail map for Boughton Park and will give us an estimate of the cost to supply trail maps for VHT and the town..

Bridge Inventory- Will do Monkey Run, Bluebird, Lehigh Crossing, Seneca Trail South and 100 Acres soon.

Oldcastle Domine Trail- Dave sent another e-mail reminder to Jim L. Still waiting for revocable permit from them. No response to last e-mail. Dave W. will try again.

Meet at Rt 251 & Auburn on Sun. @ 9AM

Eagle Project- Chris Bocchino will be making one or two benches for MaryFrances Bluebird Haven.

Jason Bowerman's Court of Honor will be on August 22, 2004 at 2:00 pm in the First Congregational Church on Main Street in Canandaigua. Dave W. sent him a congratulatory letter and a certificate of achievement from VHT.

New VHT Shirts- They are in, except for one that is back-ordered. Call Chauncy with your size if you want to order one. They are hunter green with khaki trim. The VHT logo outline is embroidered. Name is extra.

Slight delay.

Trail Survey- Scheduled for Saturday, July 24,

Stations:

East Victor Road, Mickey Finn's parking lot, Route 251, Main Street Fishers, Old Dutch Road, Seneca Trail between Willowbrook and fire house on High St.

Monitor for hikers and bikers, helmet users.

Keep track in half hour blocks.

Still have some open slots to fill.

New Business:

The Federation of Monroe County Environmentalists has invited us to join (\$25.00 for organizations) their organization. Their mission is to educate municipalities and the larger community about the necessity for comprehensive planning in order to curb sprawl and preserve open space and wildlife habitat. They would like us to fill out a survey and return it.

Autumn Weekend in the Adirondacks- We are planning to visit Marcia on Sept. 17, 18 and 19. If you are interested in going, give your name to Dave Coleman.

Feet for Food- This is a new fund raising event that is replacing the annual Crop Walk. It is being organized by six local churches to benefit the Victor/Farmington Food Cupboard. 100% of the proceeds will benefit the Victor/Farmington Food Cupboard. It will be held on Sept. 26 at 1:30 PM. In the future they will plan this event for the spring. This will be a community and family event where everyone can participate. In addition to walkers, they welcome roller blades, scooters, skateboards, bikes, wagons and other types of recreational modes of transportation. The goal for the first year is to raise \$10,000, build awareness of the needs of the Food Cupboard and rally our community around a common and deserving local cause. They are encouraging organizations like VHT to put together a team, with sponsors, and promote the event.

Sunday

Next Hike:

August 14- Creek walk at Grimes Glen and Tanner Creek in Naples. Bring water shoes, hiking shoes, dry socks, lunch, drink. We may do some land hiking as well.

Next Meeting:

Aug. 19, 2004.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Wright

Schedule of Hikes and meetings for remainder of 2004- Clip and save

Aug. 14- Creek walk at Grimes Glen and Tanner Gully
Aug. 19- Monthly Meeting at Town Hall at 7:30 PM
Sept. 4- Ring of Fire
Sept. 11- Hang Around Victor Day. Guided loop hike in Village.
Sept. 16- Monthly Meeting at Town Hall at 7:30 PM
Sept. 17-19 - Adirondack Fall hike
Oct. 9- Hike Finger Lakes Trail through Hi Tor
Oct. 14- Monthly Meeting at Town Hall at 7:30 PM
Nov. 13- Hike Ellison Park
Nov. 18- Monthly Meeting at Town Hall at 7:30 PM
Dec. 11- Hike Cummings Nature Center
Dec. 16- Monthly Meeting at Town Hall at 7:30 PM

2005- Hike Wesley Hill Preserve,

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