

Victor Hiking Trail Meeting at Victor Town Hall

August 17, 2006

Attendance: Dave Wright, David Coleman, Larry Fisher, Carol MacInnes, Chauncy Young, Ruth Nellis, Debbie Kurvach (beginning only), Barb and Kyle Bensink

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:32 pm

Special Presentation- Barb Bensink told us about the Jack-O-Lantern Trail Walk that will be held on Saturday, October 14th at 7 pm at the Victor Fireman’s Field on Maple Avenue and the Trolley Trail. Last year, the 1st annual, had 650 participants and raised \$1400 for the Lymphoma Society. This is a great family event. Everyone is asked to carve a Jack-O-Lantern and bring it to the Fireman’s Field at 3 pm on October 14th. Everyone who does will receive a ticket for free admission to the walk. At 7:00 pm the public is invited to walk the trail. A donation of \$3.00 per adult and \$1.00 per child is requested. VHT members are asked to help that evening. This year some of the profits will be donated to VHT for trail improvements. If you can help, please call Barb at 924-4135.

Minutes of July 20, 2006

Motion to accept by Ruth, seconded by Larry. Approved.

Treasurer’s Report by Chauncy Young

CD	\$3533
Checking	\$3929
Total	\$7462
other assets	\$2971
Total assets	\$10,432

Chauncy suggested that we have a capital plan and budget for 2007 and beyond. He would like to chair a committee to make a proposal to the board at our next meeting. Larry volunteered to be on the committee. Chauncy will call some other members to get one more person. We will then make a presentation to the town board at the October 9th meeting.

Membership Report by David Coleman.

115	members last month
2	renewals
0	new member
2	rejoined
0	dropped
117	total

Publicity

Dave Wright will update the phone message & send out press releases for our Sept. 2 Ring of Fire picnic supper and hike at Bare Hill. Meet at Victor Town Hall at 5:30 pm. Bring your picnic supper, blanket or chairs. Dress for the weather. Chauncy is planning to go and will meet others at Victor Town Hall.

There was a nice article on Ontario Pathways in the Daily Messenger on Sunday, Aug.6th.

Education

Ruth talked to Steve Crommiller at the Victor High School regarding getting youth interested in the trails. He has several ideas for projects that the students (Juniors and Seniors) can do. The first meeting is Sept. 21. If anyone else has ideas for environmental or health related projects, please call Ruth at 924-5869.

Newsletter by Dave Wright

Next issue will be mailed end of August. Deadline for articles was August 17th. Plan to have stories on Adirondack weekend (Dave Coleman, Rooster Comb), Fishers Park bridges (Larry), grants, Hang Around Victor Day, Victor Fest, hikes, Black Diamond Dualthon, Fat Tire Festival, license plate holders and order form.

Trail Master by Carol MacInnes

Regarding additional trails at 100 Acre Woods, we have to wait until Brian Rey purchases the property. His lot would contain most of the conservation easement of the proposed subdivision.

Trail Boss by Larry Fisher

Larry and family with Chauncy moved the bridges in Fishers Park to the new trail along Irondequoit Creek. He also mowed the trail. The remaining objective is replacing the bridge across the creek to the ball field. Town Parks will need to help us with that effort. Chauncy is working on a materials list for the bridge over Great Brook on the Apple Farm property. He will get a cost for the materials from Victor Coal and Lumber. Jim Mattoon built and installed three(3) foot bridges on the Trolley Trail near Rt. 251. These will be helpful for the Black Diamond Dualthon on Oct. 21. Larry needs to purchase new skids for the mowers. Motion by Chauncy, seconded by Dave C. to authorize Larry to purchase 4 skids and a blade drivebelt if necessary, for the mowers.

Last Hike

Four members (two of whom are Navy vets) went to Sampson State Park to visit the Navy Museum and hike the trail (road) along Seneca Lake. Had lunch on the beach. Dave Wright stayed for the parade and presentations.

Old Business

Anyone who needs a special Victor Hiking license plate holder, please contact Dave Wright. They are only \$5. Trailblazers has sold 1. Tri Running & Walking sold 1, Mead Square Pharmacy sold 2. Ruth purchased 2. Jeff Hennick purchased 2.

SAFTEA-LU Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP)- Town of Victor applied for a \$885K grant to extend the Auburn Trail from Main Street Fishers to Powder Mills Park. Dave W., Chauncy and Jeff Hennick attended a GTC meeting on 8/17 in Rochester, along with Leslie Bamann, Brian Emelson and two RG&E representatives to promote our project. We have an excellent chance of getting the funding for this project.

Genesee Region Trails Coalition has a new Grant program. We should hear by the end of August if we will get funding for decking the Lehigh Trail trestle bridge over the Auburn Trail, near Phillips Road.

Walkable Community Committee: Next meeting will be Sept. 19th at 7 PM at Victor Town Hall, Room 207. The town received information on a sidewalk study. The town will be putting sidewalk in on County Road 9 from Hillcrest Drive to Kenningston Court. The developer (RSM) will be putting in sidewalk on Rawson Road from Wellington Road to Burlington Road. The other two roads studied were Plastermill Road and High Street.

Adirondack Weekend- Sept. 22-24. Discussed which peaks to climb on Saturday and thought that Rooster Comb and a near by High Peak would be a good choice. We will car pool, leaving Victor around noon. We will have dinner at Marcia Bryan's home Friday, hike all day Saturday and then take Marcia to a restaurant in the area for dinner. After a hardy breakfast Sunday morning, we will go for a short hike and then head back to Victor. Anyone interested in going should call Dave Coleman at 657-2140.

Black Diamond Dualthon- Saturday, October 21 at Fishers Park. Part of the bike ride will be on the Trolley Trail. We will need to do some last minute trimming and sprucing up the week of October 16th. Also, Carole Fisher is coordinating volunteers for the day of the race. If you can help, please call her at 924-5803.

Charlie's Old Goat Trail Run will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4th at Dryer Road Park. Additional details later.

World Triathlete Competition will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11. Watch for our own Brian Emelson!

Website- Jeff reported that our website is back in operation and he is able to update it.

New Business

Hang Around Victor Day- Saturday, Sept. 9th. 30th anniversary. Need volunteers to set-up, tear down and man the booth.

Set-up- 8:00 am at Mead Square Park. Chauncy, Larry and Dave Wright.

9-11 am- Ruth

10-noon- Carol MacInnes

11 am - 1 pm- ????

Noon- 2pm- ????

1-3 pm- ????

2-4 pm ??????

Tear down, clean-up at 4 pm and set tent, table and chairs up at Fireman's Field- Chauncy, Larry and Dave Wright.

NEED at least 4 volunteers for 2 hours each. Call Dave Wright at 924-3709 to sign up.

Victor Fest- A party after Hang Around Victor Day. To be in the Victor Fireman's Field on Maple Ave. from 5 to 10 pm. Food, music, family activities, fireworks. We have an opportunity to have a dessert table to sell slices of pies, cakes, cookies, Chauncy bars, brownies, etc. Ruth will call to get someone to coordinate the donations of food and manning the dessert table. Food can be brought to our booth at Mead Square Park between noon and 4 pm or to the Victor Fireman's Field between 5 and 7 pm. Suggested price is \$1.00 per slice of pie or cake, two or three brownies or cookies (depending on size) per bag. We will need paper plates, napkins and forks (Dave Wright has them). Tent, table and chairs can come down around 9 pm. Clean-up crew gets the left-overs!

Victor Municipal Park and Paparone Park- McCord Landscape Architecture has finished its study and will be making a presentation to the town and village boards on Monday, Sept. 11 at 7:30 pm at the town hall. Please try to attend this meeting. It is a public hearing so you're input will be appreciated.

New VHT Banner- We need a new sign for our 10x10 tent. Dave W. got two prices for a 1 ft. by 9 ft. vinyl banner with grommets. This is a durable, weather-proof banner that should last us many years. One quote was for \$75, the other was \$70.

Motion to buy a new banner, cost not to exceed \$80.00. Made by Chauncy, seconded by Carol. Approved.

Sign background color- White to match the tent.

Text and logo (outline version) color- Forest green.

We will need a means to display the sign. We can hang it from the tent, but that may be too low, even with the tent at its highest position. Chauncy volunteered to make a frame to display the banner above the tent fascia. It will have posts that will clamp to the tent poles. We will need it for Hang Around Victor Day.

Thank you card was received from ADK for our participation in Outdoor Expo.

New Finger Lakes Map- showing attractions, B&B/Country Inns, Entertainment, Motels/hotels, restaurants, wineries, shopping, golf, tourism, things to do.

Victor Chamber of Commerce- Has a new location. 37 East Main Street. Open M-F, 10 am to 4 pm. They have many brochures on things to do and places to go. Stop in and say hello.

Next Hike- Saturday, Sept. 2nd. Meet at Victor Town Hall rear parking lot at 5:30 pm. Bring your picnic dinner, blanket or chairs. We will drive to Bare Hill for the Ring of Fire celebration.

Hike the trails after dinner, before the bonfire at 9 pm. Watch the sunset and enjoy the Seneca music and dancing. Chauncy will lead this hike.

Next Meeting- Thursday, Sept 21, 2006 at 7:30 pm at Victor Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn by Jeff, seconded by Chauncy. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by Dave Wright

2006 HIKES and EVENTS

Sep. 2- Ring of Fire Supper and Hike

Sep. 9- Hang Around Victor Day 9 am to 4 pm

Sep. 9- Victor Fest- Fireman's Field, 5 to 10 pm

Sep. 11- Public hearing at Victor Town Hall at 7:30 pm on Victor Municipal and Paparone Parks

Sep. 22-24 Fall Adirondack Hike Weekend

Oct. 14- Finger Lakes Trail hike

Oct. 14- Adventure Race at Dryer Road Park, hosted by Pack, Paddle and Ski

Oct. 14- Jack-O-Lantern Trail Walk at Fireman's Field on the Trolley Trail

Oct. 21- 2nd Annual Black Diamond Dualthon

Nov. 4- Charlie's Old Goat Trail Run at Dryer Road Park

Nov. 11- Boughton Park hike

Dec. 9- Mendon Ponds hike