

# VICTOR HIKING TRAILS

## MEETING AT VICTOR TOWN HALL

May 21, 2009

**ATTENDANCE:** Dave Wright, Chauncy Young, Larry Fisher, Wizzy Geno, Carol MacInnes.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:43 p.m.

**MINUTES** of April 16 meeting:

Motion by Carol, seconded by Wizzy. Approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Chauncy Young.

As of 04/30/09

Checking- \$ 9,432

Other assets- \$2,195

Total equity- \$ 11,627

Motion by Dave, seconded by Carol, to place \$6016.56 in savings account earning 0.65% annually. Approved.

Motion by Larry, seconded by Carol to approve the financial report. Approved.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** David Coleman absent.

Members last month: 128

Renewals: ?

New members: ?

Rejoined: ?

Dropped: ?

Total: ?

**PUBLICITY:** Dave Wright updated the phone message (585-234-8226) and sent an e-mail to the newspapers for the June 6th hike for National Trails Day. All three hikes will start and end at Fishers Fire House 1 on Main Street Fishers.

**EDUCATION:** Ruth attended the Teen Adventure Club meeting. They will schedule another day and time to finish the trail clearing in Victor Municipal Park.

**NEWSLETTER:** Dave Wright – The spring 2009 issue went out. The summer 2009 issue is planned for early July publication. Deadline for articles is June 18th. This issue will feature articles on National Trails Day, ADK Outdoor Expo, new benches, bridges and trails.

**TRAILMASTER:** Omnitech Road trail is complete. Fishers Landing Trails are complete. An agreement with Domine is forthcoming. Chauncy is planning to meet with the landowners along Great Brook between Boughton Park and the Allpe Farm.

Chauncy will contact Domine to get approval to use a marked trail through their property on National Trails Day. A temporary bridge will need to be put in to connect at the Auburn end. Also, several landowners have been contacted in hopes of continuing the Seneca Trail south to connect into Boughton Park.

**TRAIL BOSS:** Trail maintenance has started. Chauncy has stepped up to take Larry's place while Larry is recuperating. Road signs with the hiker icon are being installed. The small hedge trimmer was taken to the repair shop for a tune-up. The new Trail Volunteer shirts look great. The base for the bench by the pumphouse will be completed before National Trails Day.

**LAST HIKE:** On May 9th 13 people trudged through the wetland area of Bentley Woods. The end of the hike was a nice walk along the high and dry ridge and then out the old road to Fishers Rd.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Anyone who needs a special Victor Hiking Trails license plate holder, please contact Dave Wright...a few left at only \$5.00, two for \$8.00. Show your support for Victor Trails wherever you go!! And the bright yellow with green lettering can be a help in identifying your car in a busy parking lot !!

Concrete Benches- All four ends have been poured and are cured, ready for the bases.

Trail parking posts and signage at Fishers Firehouse 1 and House 2 will be re-set when trails maintenance is scheduled for these two locations.

Generic Hiker Icon signs are in. These will be placed at all trail road crossings during regularly scheduled trail maintenance this summer. Many have already been installed.

Volunteer Coordinator- Wizzy Geno sent a letter to members who had indicated an interest in volunteering to introduce to them her new role. As Volunteer Coordinator she will communicate upcoming VHT activities and the volunteer assistance needed.

An LL Bean conservation grant was applied for, to construct a bridge in Ganondagan. Dave W. will attempt to get an update on our application.

National Trails Day is June 6. Three hikes will start and finish at Fishers Fire House 1. Chauncy and Wizzy will get the food. Dave will pick up the coffee from Tim Horton's. Expecting to attend will be Chauncy, Wizzy, Larry, Ruth, Carol. Brian E. and Jack Marren have been invited to speak.

Don't forget the VHT sponsored "Ride the Rails, Bike or Hike the Trails" on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Information was included in the Spring VHT Newsletter and details are available on the website, [www.fingerlakesscenicrailway.com](http://www.fingerlakesscenicrailway.com), or by calling 315-374-1570. Call to reserve your tickets in advance.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Genesee Valley Hiking Club is planning their 500th hike at Stuart Lodge in Mendon Ponds Park on July 26th. There will be a lunch at noon.

#### **NEXT HIKE AND EVENT:**

Saturday, June 6th at Fishers Fire House 1. 8:00 AM for free continental breakfast. Hikes at 9:00 AM, 10:45 AM and 12:30 PM.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Thursday, June 18, 7:30 p.m. at the new Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn was made by Carol. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Wright  
Acting Secretary

### **Schedule of '09 hikes/outings:**

- Jun 6 National Trails Day. Auburn Trail at Fishers Firehouse 1 and Fishers Park.
- Jun 13 ADK Expo and hike at Mendon Ponds Park. Meet at VHT booth at 9 AM for a hike.
- Jul 11 Grimes Glen and Tanner Gully creek walks. Naples.
- Aug 8 Letchworth Park. Gorge walk.
- Sep 5 Bare Hill "Ring of Fire" picnic supper.
- Sep 12 Hang Around Victor Days and Victor Fest. Booth and baked goods.
- Oct 10 VanDerStrict Trail on the west side of Canadice Lake.
- Nov 14 Boughton Park, East Bloomfield.
- Dec 12 Powder Mills Park, Perinton.