



Victor Hiking Trails, Inc.

Meeting Minutes, December 23, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM. Five people were in attendance. The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as written except for the following change noted by Marcia Bryan:

In response to a question from Jane Luce, the engineer for Royal View Heights responded "A trail easement will be provided as necessary to the town of Victor prior to final approval".

Publicity:

We received lots of publicity this past month with approximately 6 articles in The Daily Messenger and the Our Towns section of the D&C. Carol MacInnes noted that we need to be careful when talking to reporters to be upbeat and positive. It's important that we reinforce the notion that hikers are wholesome people and encourage landowners to allow hiking through their property.

Planning Board:

Carol MacInnes reported that many neighbors showed up at the Dec. 15th meeting of the Planning Board meeting to voice their concerns over the Royal View Heights subdivision. Carol proposed a trail route and expects to hear back in about a month.

Treasury:

Marcia reported on behalf of Allen, that our balance has not changed.

Trails:

Marcia Bryan wrote to Andy Zepp of the Nature Conservancy with our proposal for a trail. She's waiting to hear back from him. Carol and Marcia agreed to talk to Richard Burton, owner of the land between Royal View Heights and the Nature Conservancy. Ryan's have a copy of the revokable permit and we're waiting to hear from them. Carol noted that a hiker parked their car at Probst Rd. and hiked our trail. When they came out a note was on their windshield stating that they had entered a "Private Game Preserve". Rich Freeman agreed to talk to the neighbors responsible and explain our VHT purpose and the license we have from RG&E.

Conservation:

Carol and Marcia talked to Doug Anderson of the ARR Pipeline about their concern that the pipeline in the Wilmott development is planned to go through a mature pine woods. Mr. Anderson agreed to ask Mr. Wilmott if the pipeline can be rerouted to miss the pine forest.

Trail Work:

Carol MacInnes commented that Letchworth changed to paint blazes rather than plastic markers because of marker theft. She also noted that Will Selbrede of the Pittsford Trails Coalition was able to get RG&E to fix the gates along the railway bed so people could pass but not vehicles.

Larry Fisher agreed to call Jim at RG&E to see if we can have similar work done on our section of the railway bed and also for assistance on the undercut area where Irondaquoit Creek is washing out the trail. Larry Fisher noted that he and Dave Wright worked on the railway bed trail from the Fisher's firehouse to Phillips Rd. - It is now skiable!

Membership Cards:

New membership cards, designed and produced by Dave Wright are now available for all our membership renewals and new members. Sue Freeman took the action item to work with Margaret Nugent on the best process for sending out membership cards. **Remember - if you are an original member of VHT - your 1993 dues are due.**

Hikes:

The December 13th hike was a glorious success. About 30 people from Crescent Trails, Victor Hiking Trails and the Pittsford Trail Coalition showed up to hike. It was a beautiful sunny winter day; a winter wonderland. We hiked from the fish hatchery in Powder Mills Park to the Fishers firehall.

Meet at the Ryan's - corner of Valentown Rd. and Victor Egypt Rd. on Jan 9th at 10:00 AM for our first VHT x-country ski.

Meetings:

The executive board is asked to meet on Jan 9th at 8:30 AM at DeeDee's Restaurant (on Route 96) to discuss board appointments for 1993. This includes:

Marcia Bryan	Robin Emond
Larry Fisher	Sue Freeman
Allen Johnson	Harry Lloyd
Roberta Lockwood	Carol MacInnes
Margaret Nugent	Norm Smith

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 27th at 7:30 PM in the Victor Town Hall. We hope to see you there!



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Secretary