



Victor Hiking Trails, Inc.

Meeting Minutes, May 26, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. Chairperson Marcia Bryan asked for any revisions or additions to last month's minutes. Marcia pointed out that only one VHT member attended the Boughton Park meeting last month. With that change, the attendees accepted the minutes. Eleven people were in attendance.

Meeting Night

Carol MacInnes brought up a conflict with having meetings on Wednesdays. Marcia Bryan suggested we table the discussion until our next annual meeting.

Treasury

Rich Freeman stated that we have an account balance of \$628.54.

Membership

We welcome one new member Carol Norman we're glad to have you as a member!

Trail Development

Our trailmaster Carol MacInnes reported on a flurry of activity.

- Carol heard of a Federal Government grant (ISTEA) which is given to states to use on local hiking trails. The grant is for a maximum of \$11K per project and is financed 80% by the grant and 20% by the local trail organization in either dollars or labor. Carol's target in pursuing the grant was to build a bridge on the Auburn trail where it crosses Irondequoit Creek. RG&E reviewed the project for us and came back with an estimate of \$34K, which is obviously over the limit of the grant. Unfortunately, the deadline for submission was last Friday. We need to study this washout area on the Auburn trail and gather information on bridge building options so we're ready the next time grant money becomes available. Meanwhile, RG&E has closed the Auburn trail from Probst Rd. to Fisher's road and we can not use it as part of our trail.

- The Ryans have signed our revokable permit!!!! Their land is at the corners of Victor Egypt Rd. and Valentown Rd. The trail exists already and is marvelous for x-country skiing.

- Harry Lloyd and Carol MacInnes visited JG Turner. His land where the Auburn rail bed crosses the Lehigh rail bed would make a nice loop. Part of it is the old trolley trail which makes it of historical significance. The beavers have built a pond on the land and the DEC has prohibited it from development because its a wetlands. Mr. Turner seemed agreeable and is reading our revokable permit. Marcia, Harry, and Larry will schedule a walk of the land with Mr. Turner.

- Carol, Ruth Nellis, and others went ~~on the connector trail between Gonondagon and Fort Hill.~~ A bridge is needed across the creek. ~~The land is owned by the North brothers.~~ Mr. Jamison of Ggnondagon was agreeable to the idea of VHT trails.

*greet brook creek
opposite corner*

News Articles

Marcia Bryan passed out copies of the NY State obligation law and Carol passed out the article which ran recently in the newspaper on landowner legal issues. It's a wonderful tool to dispel some fears of potential landowners.

Victor Car Show

Evelyn Stewart and Lenore Dey had things organized and ready. Volunteers were recruited to call others for pie donations. Dave Wright had updated the VHT brochure to give out at the show and shared with us the huge banners he made to label the booth.

Indian Trail Committee

Marcia reported that the Indian Trail Committee met and studied Sheldon Fisher's maps. They plan to scout the areas.

Publicity

Jeff Hennick has agreed to be our publicity chairperson. Thanks Jeff - we need all the GOOD publicity we can get.

Work Parties

Larry Fisher reported that work parties have picked up truckloads of junk between Phillips Rd. and Route 251. There will be work parties June 1 and 8 at 6PM. Meet at the Fishers firehouse.

Our next meeting is June 23 at 7:30 PM at the Victor town hall. Our hike will be June 12 at 9 AM. Meet at the Fishers fire hall on High St. We will scout part of the Indian trail.

The meeting adjourned by 9:00 PM.

Sue Freeman

Secretary

