



Victor Hiking Trails, Inc.

Meeting Minutes, October 26, 1995

The meeting came to order at 7:30 PM. Eleven people were in attendance:

- Debi Bennett
- Larry Fisher
- Jeff Hennick
- Roberta Lockwood
- Norm Smith
- Chauncy Young
- Lenore Dey
- Sue Freeman
- Chris Lawrence
- Carol MacInnes
- Dave Wright

Last month's minutes:

•Corrections:

- Jeff Hennick put planks across the beaver ponds, he did not open the beaver dams
- Basin development is SEEKING a property exchange. We asked that the revokable permit be replaced by an easement.
- We will have a floating trail easement through the golf park.
- Mr. Dailey is maintaining the Seneca trail from School Rd. to Dryer Rd.
- At Hang Around Victor Day we sold all the pies & some of the promotional merchandise.

Treasurer:

- Sue Freeman stated that our account balance is \$5,483.84.
- Lenore Dey reported she is collecting VHT donations at Citgo on Free Coffee Day each Wednesday.
- Jeff Hennick turned in two dollars from returning cans he collected along the trail.

Membership:

•Welcome new members:

- Rick Brown & Family
- Pati Mattice
- Sue Lasher
- Fred & Beth Dewey
- Janice Larson
- Tom Vandenberg & Mary Thomas
- Anna & Larry Caffarelli
- Ellen & Craig Willand

- Dave Wright is marking and monitoring stocks of brochures at 7 locations to see how fast the membership brochures move & how many convert into memberships.

Trails:

- Carol MacInnes reported that she recently hiked the Seneca Trail & had to bushwack around the new beaver pond. With the water level currently high, this may be a good time of year to look at options for rerouting that section of the trail.
- Carol also knows of a 12 year old who would like to build some small bridges for us using old lumber.
- Carol spoke to Bruce Vanderwater of the Boughton Park Board of Directors. They plan to keep the park private. Carol will attend their November 2 board meeting and update them on the current trails and future plans of VHT which could include a trail connecting into Boughton Park.
- Carol discussed the possibility of joining into Crescent Trails with Joy Barnitz. We may find a link at Keck Rd. or possibly look into a loop north from the High St. firehall.
- Carol attended a meeting of the Macedon Trail Committee and helped them understand how we

approach land owners and discussed liability issues.

- Carol also spoke to Peter Jemison. He prefers that we use markers nailed into trees to mark the trails in Ganondagan
- Larry Fisher reported that trail maintenance has been completed for the year.
- Larry has winter time plans to renovate 2 lawn mowers which were donated.
- Larry showed a prototype sign to designate adoptees along the trail (reverse image printed on a transparency, dark letters on a bright yellow background. Mounted on a small board and plexiglass covered.) The meeting attendees approved the prototype with the addition of silicon caulking to prevent water seepage.
- We discussed ordering round, metal trail markers with our logo printed on them. Larry will order 100 marker lots in white, yellow, blue, and red/orange.
- We also discussed the use of mile markers on the trails.
- A subgroup will meet on November 4th to scout the new routing of the Seneca Trail through the woods into Ganondagan. They're meeting at 9AM at the Ganondagan parking lot. If time allows they may also mark the trail route along Break A Day Rd.

Bridge Building:

- The project proposed by Chris Lawrence to build a bridge for his Eagle Scout project has been approved by the Boy Scout Council.
- Chris has been selling "Buy A Board" coupons for \$5 each to raise money for the raw materials. A coupon is attached. To donate, fill out the coupon & mail it with the donation to Chris Lawrence, 6139 Hanover Rd., Farmington N.Y. 14425. Chris needs to raise approximately \$250.
- VHT approved Chris's bridge plans in a previous meeting. The bridge will be on the Seneca trail just past the golf park which is being developed on Route 251.

ISTEA Grant:

- Jane Luce called Steve Davis of DOT. DOT funding is being reviewed in Albany but since our grant does not involve state funds, it was determined we should expect the funds to be freed up in November.

Adopt-A-Trail:

- Harry Lloyd has 2 more adoptees in the works - both Boy Scout Troups.

BridgeWalk 95:

- We had roughly 50 walkers on a bright sunny day.
- Chauncy Young extended a hearty thanks to everyone who helped with BridgeWalk.
- Expenses were \$1,007.85
- Income so far is:
 - \$87.50 from sale of promotional items
 - \$590.00 from donations & sponsors
 - \$1,857.00 from pledges collected to date
- 9 walkers have yet to turn in pledges.
- A separate session was held after the meeting to critique this year's event and discuss changes for next year.

Promotional Items:

- Promotional items are available for sale. See the order form attached.

Newsletter:

- Jim Dailey will write an article about his group of kids maintaining their section of trail.

Elections:

- We'll be holding election of officers at the next meeting (Nov. 16).
- We still need a new secretary. Please call Dave Wright if interested (924-3709).

Misc.:

- Dave Wright received a map of the easement for the golf park but can't finalize the trail location

yet.

•We discussed the option of having a booth for Earth Day at Strong Museum. They're having an exhibit on the history of our environment from 1820 to present. We decided not to do it because it would be hard to staff for 3 days, it's the end of April when we're doing spring maintenance, and we doubted that we could sell promotional merchandise or generate members from Strong Museum.

•Crescent Trails is now on the world wide web. Their address is <http://www.nyeyep.com/cta/nytrail.htm>

Next Hike:

- Last month's hike was rained out - the leader showed up but no hearty souls joined him.
- Jeff Hennick scouted a glen in HiTor which he says would be perfect for an August hike.
- Our next hike will be November 11 at Spring Farm. Meet at the Victor Town Hall at 9 AM. We'll carpool to Silverhill Road in Lyons.
- For the December hike we decided to postpone Cummings Nature Center & join Crescent Trails on their hike from the Powder Mills Park fish hatchery, along our Auburn Trail to Main St. Fishers. Meet December 10th at 1:30 PM.

Next Meeting:

•Join us at 7:30 PM on Thursday, November 16, at the Victor Town Hall for our next meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM.

Sue Freeman



Secretary

VHT CALENDAR - Save The Dates

Nov. 11	VHT hike at Spring Farm, Silverhill Rd., Lyons NY	9 AM
Nov. 11	Ontario Pathways Holiday Sale	9AM-5PM
Nov 16	VHT Meeting. Victor Town Hall, all are welcome	7:30 PM
Dec. 10	Joint hike with Crescent Trails, Powder Mills Park to Fishers Meet at fish hatchery.	1:30 PM
Dec. 31	Ontario Pathways New Year's Eve X-Country ski, 6 miles Meet at the Ontario Street Extension (back of old Lisk Plant next to railroad tracks)	2 PM
Jan 13, 96	VHT hike at Rattlesnake Hill Wildlife Management Area in Dansville	9 AM
Feb., 96	VHT hike at Harriet Hollister Park in Springwater	9 AM
March, 96	VHT hike of a Macedon Trail	9 AM