

The American Hiking Association requested a donation. A motion was made by Larry to donate \$25; seconded by Jeff. Approved.

Snowshoe trails in New York State can be found at www.tubbs.trailnet.com.

The Advisory Team will meet with Fisher Associates on 11/30 to begin discussions on the Auburn Trail connection from Main St., Fishers to Powder Mills Park.

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, December 8th, hike / snowshoe / X-C ski at Helmer Nature Center, Durand Eastman Park, and the new Lakeshore Trail at SeaBreeze. We will meet at the Victor Town Hall rear parking lot at 9:00 a.m. and car pool. Dress for the weather and bring your preferred mode(s) of 'getting around'. Pack a lunch. Plan on being back in Victor around 2:00 p.m.

Others will meet us at Durand Eastman Golf Course Parking lot @ 9:45AM

NEXT MEETING:

p.m.
Thursday, December 20th, 7:30 at Mary Frances Bluebird Haven.

Motion to adjourn was made by Chauncey, seconded by Carol. Meeting adjourned at 9:50p.m.

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS
MEETING AT MARY FRANCES BLUEBIRD HAVEN
NOVEMBER 15, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Dave Wright, Carol MacInnes, Chauncy Young, Larry Fisher, Brian Emilson, Jeff Hennick, Nat Fisher.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:33. PM

MINUTES OF OCT. 18, 2006 MEETING:

No changes.

Motion to accept as written made by Carol, seconded by Nat. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chauncy Young

As of 10/31/07.....

CD	\$ 4,000
Checking	\$ 3,962.76
Total	\$ 7,962.76
Other assets	\$ 2,553.84
Total assets	\$ 10,716.59

Motion by Larry, seconded by Jeff to accept the report. Approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: David Coleman (via e-mail)

Members last month	124
Renewals	9
New members	0
Rejoined	0
Dropped	0
Total	124

PUBLICITY:

Dave Wright updated the phone message and sent an e-mail to the newspapers for our December 8th hike at Helmer Nature Center, Durand Eastman Park, and new Lakeshore Trail at SeaBreeze.

EDUCATION:

Ruth was absent, but asked if there was any work for the Victor Teen Adventure Club to contact her.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Wright

The next issue will be the winter issue and will be mailed around December 31. Deadline for articles is 12/20; send to Dave at dwright@victorhikingtrails.org

TRAILMASTER: Carol MacInnes

St. Patrick's Church has signed an irrevocable permit giving permission to route the trail through their rear parking lot, and continuing to East St. to Mickey Finns' to re-connect with the Auburn. Jeff will update the website.

A new development, Fishers Ridge, is proposed on Rt. 96, across from Rt. 251. Dave has submitted a letter from VHT describing the Seneca Trail that goes thru the property. The Victor Planning Board has scheduled a scoping meeting for the development for 12/18.

To address a resident's concerns, the Town will plant evergreen trees to screen the new parking area on Break of Day Rd. from his house across the street.

The Quality of Life Task Force will be working on getting the town trail master plan completed. Either GTC or Ontario County Planning Dept., or both, will help us through the process of getting citizen input and developing the plan as part of the Town's comprehensive plan.

TRAIL BOSS: Larry Fisher

The Billy Goats are hibernating in Larry's new garden shed for the winter. Nothing else to report.

\$1,000 was donated to VHT from this year's Black Diamond Duathlon...again, many thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this a success. The event was sold out, with 175 participants, of which 41 were Victor residents.

Winter projects to work on:

-) finish the approaches to the Lehigh Trestle Bridge. *& clear trees & brush to the east,*
-) Clear the Schrader loop trail and Apple Farm loop trail. *after hunting season*

LAST HIKE

Four people joined the VHT outing on November 10th, on the new Webster trails. The hike was led by Don ~~Beard~~ and was enjoyed by all. *Several cubscouts & adults joined us.*

OLD BUSINESS:

Anyone who needs a special Victor Hiking license plate holder, please contact Dave Wright.....still only \$5.00.

Show your support for Victor Trails wherever you go!! *Good staking stuffers!*

Trails Central website is up and running. Please visit it (www.trailsnewyork.org) and give Jeff Hennick some good feedback.

National Trails Day is celebrating 15 years in 2007 on Saturday, June 2. VHT will participate; see calendar below. More details to follow, as the date gets closer. Plan on joining us for a great day of hiking.

The 2nd annual Charlie's Old Goat 10 miler was run on 11/03. There were 60 runners.

~~OLD BUSINESS (cont.):~~

Brian reviewed Auburn Trail improvements.

-) Crossing signs have been ordered for where the trail crosses sidewalks and roads; 5 in the Village and 7 in the Town. There are also plans to stripe the road crossings.
-) The Signage Committee will bid out interpretative and direction signs to be located at three 'plazas': Fishers, near the pump house; Mead Square Park in the Village; Mickey Finn's.
-) Top soil and seeding along the sides of the stone dust will be completed as allowed by the weather, either this fall or in the spring.
-) Auburn Trail West (Fishers to Perinton). Surveying work has begun; construction on target to commence in '08 and finish in '09.

The picnic shelter at Dryer Rd. had a ribbon cutting on 10/27; several members of the public attended. Several minor things remain to be completed.

Some Victor businesses remain to be contacted by members for future Newsletter Ads. All present pledged to have contacts made prior to the next Newsletter deadline, which is 12/20. Ad costs are \$40 for 1/8th of a page (2" x 3.5") for 4 issues. This will also include a link to their website on the VHT website. Contact Dave Wright at 924-3709 for more information.

NEW BUSINESS:

Elections were held for the Victor Hiking Trails Officers. Current staff agreed to stay on for another year and there were no other candidates. Brian made a motion to approve the current slate of officers for the 2008 calendar year, Chauncey seconded; approved by unanimous vote.

Brian volunteered to work with Chauncey to develop a budget for 2008. As a part of this, at the next meeting discussions will be held to outline trail improvement projects to be worked on in '08 from list discussed at the October meeting.

A tentative schedule of '08 hikes/outings was set as follows:

-) Jan. → Mendon Ponds *- meet at 100A Pond parking lot @ 9:30 AM*
-) Feb. → Harriet Hollister *- ski & snow shoe*
-) Mar. → Dryer Rd *Park*
-) Apr. → Canadice Lake Trail
-) May → Browncroft wetlands / Adirondack weekend
-) Jun. → National Trails Days
-) Jul. → Robert Tremain / Buttermilk Falls
-) Aug → Fillmore Glen
-) Sep. → Bare Hill / Adirondack weekend */ Hang Around Victor*
-) Oct. → Swifts Landing
-) Nov. → Finger Lakes Trail
-) Dec. → Sherwood Parcel (Penfield)

NEW BUSINESS (cont.)