

**VICTOR HIKING TRAIL
VICTOR MUNICIPAL PARK
JULY 18, 2024**

Participants: Lisa Roberts, Scott Reinhart, Chauncy Young, RuthRugaber, Jeff Miller. Larry Fisher, Barb Starr
VHT member, Olivia Howe

Meeting called to order at 5:36 PM by Lisa

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ruth Rugaber

Bank balances:	Bills paid:	Donation Boxes
CD \$10,000.00	Credit card: \$1640.01	\$2 .00 Maple Ave.
Checking \$6,613.54	Frontier message line: \$22.77	\$ 3.00 Old Dutch
Savings \$ 1,024.99		\$ 1.00 Fishers
PayPal \$0.00		
Total \$17,638.53		

Notable Donations:	Misc. Donations:	Ad Revenue:
Numerous \$100 donations	Springer Eagle Project \$383 (in addition to \$627.00 from last month)	

\$10,000 in CDs set up by Chauncy.
two 7 mo, one 15 mo CD

American Hiking Society due for
renewal @ \$100.00

MOTION to renew AHS membership for \$100 made by Lisa, seconded by Chauncy, motion approved.

MOTION to approve treasurer's report made by Larry, seconded by Scott, motion approved.

MEMBERSHIP: Larry Fisher

8 new paid members	216 paid members
4 dropped members	226 total members
70 due to renew in next 6 months	
2 overdue members	

Follow up – Carole Fisher has been sending out thank yous to new members and those that make donations

Action Item: Followup needed for process for Thank You notes upon membership renewal over \$100. Paypal does not differentiate between donations and renewals. Membership Chair needs to know more than just number of renewals.

Business Cards decision

MOTION to order 1,000 Business Cards @ \$98.00 from Minute Man made by Lisa, seconded by Chauncy, motion approved.

Minute Man Fairport

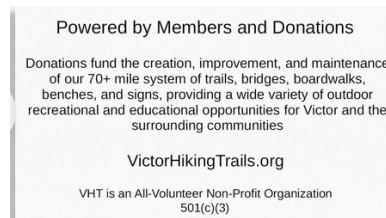
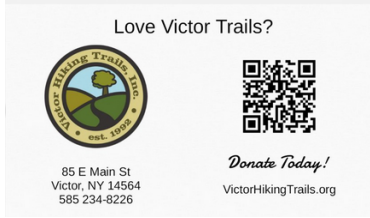
Volume Discount Savings

Quantity	Price	Price per Unit
1,000	\$98.00	\$0.098 per card
1,500	\$136.42	\$0.091 per card

VistaPrint

\$0.08 per card

1500 \$107.99 qualifies for free shipping but not tax free



PUBLICITY, NEWSLETTER & NEXT MONTHLY HIKE: Dave Wright

Next newsletter to be published on Sept 21st ; submissions due by 9/14/24

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- July 23rd Taco Tuesday II at High Point Chauncy will lead hike at 6:15
Table-anyone available? Would need to arrive by 5:30
- **Action item:** Lisa suggested we need to create a checklist for tabling at an event.
- Aug 2nd LSI Wellness Day event noon – 3:30 hikes from 1-3
Chauncy and Dave leading hikes, Lisa tabling, anyone else available?
LSI (Medical Equipment manufacturer in Victor) will send \$1,000 for corporate membership
VHT will lead a featured hike
- VHT Walk of Fame on the Auburn Trail at Maple Ave. Have OK from Brian Emelson
- Getting prices for pavers and engraving
- Will need to make presentation to the village trustees and town board on August 19 for the VHT HOF Walk of Fame to the Village Board for their approval
- September 14th Home Town Days & Climb Aboard Victor
VHT will have table and lead walk
Action item: check if sign up needed
- Grants Still waiting for word from ESL for the storage building.
Working on a state grant for the storage building

LAST MONTHLY HIKE: Naples Trails, 6 mile hike, only one participant in addition to Chauncy, the leader

- Concern expressed for lack of participation in hiking activities
- **Action Item:** add to agenda of annual meeting review and discussion of hiking attendance, frequency, participation with other groups

NEXT MONTHLY HIKE: August 10th Chimney Bluffs State Park (see Meetup, phone message)

OTHER HIKES

August 31 Ring of Fire-Bare Hill –

Action Item; need time and place to meet, is there a group hike and should attendees bring dinner and something to share?

EDUCATION: Jeff Miller VHT ED Coordinator

LAST MONTH

June 30th Mueller Field Station

THIS MONTH

July 28th Geology and Historic Iron Mining Casey Park, Ontario, NY

NEXT MONTH

August 25th Tour of Canandaigua Lakefront

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR Need to recruit new coordinator

MOTION to change name of Volunteer Coordinator to Community Outreach Director by Larry, seconded by Scott. Motion approved.

Action Item:

Draft of duties/responsibilities which can be voted on at a future meeting:

Duties:

- Actively search for community events that will increase awareness of VHT
- Attend Monthly VHT board meetings
- Help recruit volunteers for events and develop volunteer schedule for the event

Skills:

- Knowledge of Victor and the surrounding community and community organizations.
- Able to use the Meetup app.

TRAILMASTER: Scott Reinhart VHT Report

- VHT HOF Induction of new members at annual dinner Monday 10/21/24, Fire on Main
Details of HOF discussed under Publicity
- Future Trails: Waiting for map to be completed by Labella
- Reimagine Victor: Meeting 7/15 discussion of Mead Sq. Park, brainstormed establishing new groups. Dave, Scott, Lisa named to Village subgroup to develop a connecting trail from the Auburn to the village, signage, amenities. Other members are Mark Robbins, Randy Shea. Facilitator is Mike Cocquyt

TRAIL BOSS: Chauncy Young

- July 22nd 9 am boardwalk work near bridge on Seneca Trail ; installation for new bridge currently scheduled for August 10
- New Billy Goat a great improvement from old model, working very well. Older Billy Goat needs belt replacement

OLD BUSINESS:

- Updated by-laws
 - Mike Rice will interview Barb in August. Scott to follow
- Lehigh update
 - Volunteers becoming more difficult to find for work parties, but part of that has to do with July being vacation time, and many other competing work parties and events
 - Barb has meeting scheduled with Brian Emelson the end of July to review progress and perhaps make a few requests. Literature suggests 10-20' buffers around ponds. That might help additional growth of the vital native plants around Lehigh's pond.
 - Barb will meet with CAC at the 9/24 meeting to give an update of what is happening at Lehigh
 - Barb has posted a "Pollinator Habitat" sign in the area of the wooden bench near the pond, which has been an area of the most extensive work, and with many native plants emerging from the shadow of invasives on their own. Hope to add additional informative signage over the next months
- Data Collection for trails
 - Discussion of possible purchase of more counters-ideally another 5 counters would be useful to have data showing how often and where trails are being used
 - This information should be very useful for grant applications

- New counters would be \$500.00 each, a significant amount considering VHT budget
- **Action Item:** Continue to document usage of trails with current counters at least until one year of data collection has been achieved. Then may move counters to other sites, or purchase additional counters.

NEW BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, August 15, at 6:30 p.m. at Victor Town Hall

Respectfully Submitted,
Barb Starr
Secretary