

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS BOD
VICTOR TOWN HALL
MARCH 20, 2025

Participants: Dave Wright; Chauncy Young; Ruth Rugaber; Lisa Roberts; Larry Fisher; Barb Starr; Jeff Miller; Scott Reinhart; Jeff Hennick (remote)

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Lisa at 1:32 pm

MOTION: to approve the February 2025 minutes made by Dave, seconded by Jeff M, motion approved

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ruth Rugaber

February 2025

Bank balances:

Checking \$14,157.78

CDs \$ 13,105.61

PayPal \$0.00

Total \$ 27,263.39

Donation Boxes \$0.00

Bills paid:

Credit card: \$738.44 - Storage Unit, Quickbooks Annual Subscription, Trail Boss, Postage

Notable Donations: 1 - \$200

Ad Revenue: \$75 - American Equipment

Frank Carroll Donations: \$700; total to date \$1,560

MOTION: made to approve Treasurer's report by Chauncy, seconded by Dave, motion approved.

2025 Budget

Ruth explained details of proposed budget, open discussion followed with input from board members. Report for budget will be available for April meeting

MOTION: to approve budget by Lisa, seconded by Larry, motion approved

OLD BUSINESS

- Connectivity Sub-Committee will be in attendance at the Village Trustees April 7th meeting. Lisa will make presentation of recommendations for safe walking trails, amenities, routes for seniors and all citizens increasing connectivity in Victor.
- AARP Grant proposal prepared and submitted by Lisa for \$25,000.00.
- Update on permanent VHT storage of equipment-inquiries continue on possible use of property near Fishers FD (Annual Goal #1)
- Electric Equipment purchase update-none purchased to date
- By-laws committee update (Annual Goal #4) work continues, will send to committee when ready
- Proposed ramp on Auburn between School & Maple-possible completion in 2026 (Annual Goal #3)
- New Subdivision on Cline Rd bordering Farmington; possible opportunity for trail extensions to Mary Francis BlueBird Park. This is in NE Victor, less populous area at present
- Rail building in Fishers-postings along trail, noting history, mount to door in frame, plexiglass? Perhaps need a subcommittee Sign for R&E Shelter #116 on Auburn in Fishers

NEW BUSINESS:

- Meetup Calendar syncing to VHT calendar; encourage checking with Meetup for date of events
- Art on the Trails (Goal #2) Nancy contacted Ontario County Art Council regarding grant opportunities along the trails; need guidelines for posting e.g. using stakes to display art. Seasonal art from students or known artists
- Event at FLX Cannabis event space Owner of Finger Lakes Cannabis might be a place to start a hike, owner would allow use of part of building - have an expo?
- Lobster food truck is a draw for residents, possible site for a VHT table-check out how many show up
- Chauncy and Scott to participate in Climb Aboard Victor 9/17/25, need to arrive at 8, begins at 10:30 am; Dave will sign up

OUTREACH EVENTS:

Trail Running Film Festival March 22 at the Little Theatre

Earth Day 4/19/25 VHT 9-11 @ 80 Cobblestone Dr, Victor

Arbor Day Victor Village Tree Board April 26 at Victor Municipal Park

Spring Walk along Domine with Bruce Gilman 4/30

National Trails Day June 7 at VMP

ADK Expo June 14th 9:30 – 3:30 at Mendon Ponds

TRAIL BOSS: Chauncy Young

Although regular trail maintenance has not yet begun, many downed trees have kept work parties busy keeping trails clear.

TRAIL BLAZER: Scott Reinhart

Friend to VHT-need to decide who will be

Fundraising Strategies always under consideration

VHS Students summer experience for SPED students-representative will be at April VHT BOD meeting

PUBLICITY: Dave Wright

Spring Newsletter is ready to send to members

Is the last Old Business item the same as the third item under New Business?

2025 Trail Count Data	Jan	Feb	Mar	ADT	ADTx365	Days with Data
Auburn @ Proximity	1,523	1,139	3,319	59	21,804	76
Auburn at Fishers Fire Hall	1,203	1,147	2,134	46	17,049	76
Lehigh @ Old Dutch Rd	766	782	1,597	34	12,501	60
Lehigh Crossing Park						
Parking Lot	1,585	1,520	2,223	57	20,928	74
Seneca @ County Rd 41	463	456	656	17	6,363	60
Seneca @ High St	111	155	205	5	1,971	60

MEMBERSHIP: Larry Fisher

Three new members and one lapsed member rejoined.

No members were dropped.

Total members down to 224 from 229 last month.

68 members are due to renew in the next 12 months.

LAST HIKE: Mendon Ponds

UPCOMING HIKES:

Saturday April 12 9am Powder Mills Park meet at Fish Hatchery

Saturday May 10 9am Fishers Park

Saturday June 7 National Trails Day at Victor Municipal Park Pavilion

10am hike/bike ride followed by a cookout & dish to pass lunch & cake

Saturday July 12 Naples Creek Walk

Saturday August Keuka Outlet Trail in Penn Yan

EDUCATION: Jeff Miller

Last EDUCATION EVENT: February ? Attendees Wizard of Clay

March - 15 attendees for Hoffman Clock Museum and Newark-Arcadia Historical Society Museum

Jeff would like to send \$25 or \$50 donation checks for the events at Hoffman Clock Museum and Newark-Arcadia HS

MOTION: by Dave to make donation to Hoffman Clock Museum and Newark-Arcadia Historical Society Museum, seconded by Chauncy for \$50.00 to each museum, motion approved.

Checks were then written by Ruth for the museums, to be sent by Jeff M.

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL EVENTS:

Sunday April 27 Rush Oak Openings

Saturday May 24 Historic Palmyra

Sunday June 29 Bird Watching

ANNUAL GOALS

Goal #1: ID property for site of new storage shed

Goal #2: Create a Destination Trail

Goal #3: Complete 3 improvement projects

Goal # 4: Update by-laws

Meeting adjourned at 3:12 pm

NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, April 17, at 1:30 p.m. at Victor Town Hall