



Hudson Valley Rail Trail Association

Minutes- February 18, 2025

MEETING: President Peter Billizzi called the meeting to order at 7:15 in the Town Hall.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Pattie Scott, Peter Bellizzi, Fred Pizzuto, Rafael Diaz, Chrissy Wolcott,
Marie Sidgwick

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Loretta Miller, Ray Constantino, Eric Norberg, Erik Hazelton

MINUTES: Motion was made by Pattie Scott to approve Dec and January minutes. Seconded by
Chrissy. Motion approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion was made by Peter. Seconded by Pattie to approve February report.
Motion passed. The available funds for February are \$ 46,970.69

CORRESPONDENCE: Marie will send out thank you cards to all the chili participants and also to
Ray and Claire Constantino for their donation of \$7500 for the exterior paint
project on the Haviland Rd. Caboose.

MEMBERSHIP: Chrissy reported that there are 121 members.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE: Peter reported that trees were down on the trail by Sunnybrook from the storm.
Trees and branches were removed off the trail.

TRAIL SIGNAGE: Peter stated that the signs will be put up in the Spring.

PARKS GRANT: Chrissy reported that our subcommittee (Chrissy, Pattie, Peter and Erik) have been
Developing broad goals , statements as to where we want to be in the future. The five
designated areas that our goals originated from are Governance and Operations, Trail
Stewardship, Education and Interpretation, Communications, and Community
Engagement. Each area has 2 or 3 goals.

Our goals will then be broken down into objectives and then into tasks to be



completed. In the end, we will have detailed mapping to follow.

SIGNAGE RAY CLAIRE: Peter reported that we are waiting for Claire and Ray to submit their finalized details for the project.

FORD BRIDGE: Peter reported that he and Rich Rosa will work on this in the spring.

CABOOSE REPAIR: Peter reported that the painting will resume when the weather warms up.

WEBSITE: Chrissy reported that our website is fully up and running. Email section is totally working.

PAINTING NEW PALTZ RD UNDERPASS: Pattie Scott reported that the painting will start in the spring.

Our members will begin prepping the panels on April 12 .

We will be placing our website info on the wall for community

Input . Our goal is to paint historic sceneries from the area that was once known as "Centerville"

Jennifer Keltos is our artist who will begin painting in May.

Pattie will contact Jennifer to present her project at the

Town board meeting in April.

NEW BUSINESS: Peter reported that these events will be held on the rail trail. Clover Classic will be

held on 3-15-25. The Alpha win Walkway Marathon will be held on 5-4-25

Chrissy made a motion to approve both of these events. Seconded by Fred. Motion

Approved. Pattie Scott suggested that we participate at the Springfest event on

5/17/25. To establish community engagement, one of our goals. An opportunity for

us to acquire more membership and to sell our merchandise.

ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned at 7:45. Motion by Rafael, Seconded by Chrissy. Motion passed.