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## Hudson Valley Rail Trail Association

Minutes September 16, 2025

**Meeting:** The meeting was called to order by vice-president Eric Norberg at 7:00PM in the Town Hall. **Board Members Present:** Pattie Scott, Loretta Miller, Chrissy Wolcott, Susan VanDeBogart, Marie Sidgwick, Erik Hazelton and Ray Costantino Via face time **Board Member Absent** Rafael Diaz **Town Board Member:** Lenny Auchmoody

**Minutes:** The Minutes were approved, motion made by Chrissy seconded by Marie with the following corrections made by Loretta. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Eric Norberg and Susan VanDeBogart was member/guest.

**Treasurer's Report:** The July report was approved with a motion made by Loretta and seconded by Eric H. The August report was approved, motion made by Pattie seconded by Susan. The Available funds less Committed/Reserved is \$54,388,98.

**Correspondence:** Marie sent a thank you letter to an anonymous doner, Dave for his contribution of two murals.

**NYS Parks: Eric** Has been in contact with Parks. They have a Friends Committee who are maintaining past donations such as lights, signs etc.

**Membership. Chrissy** reported there are 120 members. Notifications are sent for renewals.

**Trail Maintenance:** Eric reported he has been in contact with Highway Superintendent Richie Klotz. He reported Saso Cleaning cleans the bathrooms three times a week and is paid by the Town. Chrissy and Susan reported where **fencing** must be replaced. Erik H. reported a **pothole** under Route 9W on the westside. Eric N will attend to these matters.

**Caboose/ Murals:** Pattie reported the artist is finishing the rock house and will start the stone house. The Trolley and New Paltz train station will be completed in the spring. A sign will be needed for this area.

**Caboose 75 Haviland Road:** Ray reported the caboose needs a final coat of paint. Richie Rozzi will be contacted. A new safety gate will be installed. Pattie informed Ray that the top shelf in the caboose is rusted and needs to be painted.

**Signage:** Loretta reported the signs are in the shed both for Rail Trail courtesy and bike. Two posts are needed one by Tony Williams to the left of the entrance and one at the Parking lot across from the Fire House. Eric will contact Richie Klotz, Superintendent of Highways.

**Ford Bridge:** Ray reported some of the boards will need to be replaced on the deck. Will need gates, fencing, signage and a bench eventually. Will wait for the grant. Chrissy will submit a **grant** for \$19,425 to the Hudson River Valley Greenway. A resolution is needed. **Motion** Pattie made a motion seconded by Erick H. to approve the resolution to the Hudson River Valley Greenway. Motion passed. **Resolution is** attached to the minutes.

**Bench:** Eric N said the parents of Emma Levine want a bench near the caboose on Haviland Road in her memory. They paid for the bench during covid. Chrissy is checking for the payment. There is a request from Courtney for a **bench**. Chrissy will check the Rail Trail to see how many benches need a plaque.

### **New Business**

**Scenic Hudson:** Eric reported Scenic Hudson has a grant for the John Burroughs Trail near Black Creek. They will receive money for signage 1) where it meets the Rail Trail at Black Creek, 2) 101 New Paltz Road 3) near kiosk on 101 NewPaltz Road.

**Election Of Officers.** Ray made a motion to approve the slate of officers seconded by Susan. President- Eric Norberg . Vice-President – Pattie Scott, Treasurer- Chrissy Wolcott, Corresponding Secretary -Marie Sidgwick, Recording Secretary- Loretta Miller **MOTION PASSEED**

**Parking Lot C:** Lenny reported he has the permit to get prices on a catch basin.

**New Business:** Pattie wanted to know who is responsible for the mowing or **weed whacking** at 75 Haviland Road Parking lot Eric N will check. Loretta wanted to know about **paving the parking lot** at 75 Haviland Road. Eric N will check with Supervisor Dave. **Parking Lot across from Fire House.** Loretta asked when something will be done as it has many potholes. Eric N. will check with Richie Klotz **Sweatshirts:** Pattie said we need to purchase more large sweatshirts. She would like volunteers from the Board to help sell the shirts by the caboose at Haviland Road on the weekend. **Safety Cones:** Erik H. was concerned about the cones at the crossings. The cones do not slow the bikers. **October16th:** Chrissy will attend a presentation on safety by the Hudson River Valley Greenway.

**Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:35PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Loretta Miller Recording Secretary

# Board Resolution

WHEREAS, the Hudson Valley Rail Trail Association is applying to the Hudson River Valley Greenway for a grant under the Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant Program Trail Construction Grant for a project entitled **Ford Bridge Renovations** to be located in **Lloyd/Highland**, WHEREAS, the grant application requires the applicant to obtain the approval/endorsement of the governing body of the organization requesting funding; NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the governing board of **the Hudson Valley Rail Trail Association** hereby does approve and endorse the application for a grant under the 2025 Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant Program, for a project known as **Ford Bridge Renovations** and located within the community of Lloyd/Highland.

Date of Adoption: September 16, 2025 \_\_\_\_\_

Name of President: Eric Norberg \_\_\_\_\_



Signature

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