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**Hudson Valley Rail Trail Association**

**Minutes October 21, 2025**

**Meeting:** The meeting was called to order by President Eric Norberg at 7:01PM in the Town Hall. **Board Members Attending:** Susan VanDeBogart, Loretta Miller, Pattie Scott, Chrissy Wolcott, Rafael Diaz, Marie Sidgwick, and on zoom Erik Hazelton and Ray Constantino **Board Member Present:** Lenny Auchmoody **Member /Guest:** Ed Miller and Debbie Walsh

**Minutes:** The minutes were approved, motion made by Chrissy and seconded by Sue.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ray made a motion to accept the report seconded by Loretta. Motion passed. \$172.20 was placed in the caboose fund. Available Funds less the Committed/ Reserved is \$64,900.83

**Correspondence:** no report

**NYS Parks:** Eric reported Denise heads the Parks. The two events' Als and Alzheimer's went well. The Parking Lot needs to be closed the night before and more communication is needed. It was suggested to have a sign made saying Parking Lot Closed. Eric will ask Denise to make a sign.

**Members:** Chrissy reported there are 132 members.

**Trail Maintenance:** Eric suggested people know what department to contact if there is a problem. Frank of Buildings and Grounds, for doggie bags and small debris on the Rail Trail. Baker Brothers mows by the Pavilion.

**Murals:** Pattie reported the Rock House is completed. In the spring Jennifer will do the 1810 stone house, the Trolley and the Trolley car station. Lenny will ask Richie about solar lights for the project. Erik H. suggested we give Jennifer a bonus when the project is completed. All agreed.

**Caboose 75 Haviland Road:** Ray said the outside of the caboose is painted. The inside still needs to be painted and the windows fixed. Rafael said that the caboose will be 100 years old next year. Suggested we acknowledge it.

**Ford Bridge:** Chrissy reported she received notification that the HVRTA received the Hudson River Valley Green Way reimbursement grant. She is waiting for a letter which will give the date for starting. Lenny suggested the fencing not distract from the bridge.

**Signage:** Eric reported that Rich, Superintendent of Highways will put up the signs. Needs to be told where the poles must be placed. Eric will follow through.

**Strategic Plan Subcommittee:** Chrissy showed how Organization of our documents will indicate dates, contact information etc. **Board documents** will include minutes, charter, letter head etc. Needs List will include volunteers, board members participations ,brochures, expectation etc. Chrissy said that new Board Members should be able to improve social media, be willing to participate in activities etc. She would like us to see if an Interact Student would like to serve on the Board to help with social media updates like tiktok. Chrissy will email Board members a more detailed information on documents available.

**75 Haviland Road Parking lot Paving :** Eric said it will be considered but a grant will be needed. **Paid Parking the Amount:** Eric will report the amount at the next meeting.

**Safety Cones at the Intersections:** Erik reported the intent of the cones at the intersection is good but are dangerous, need to pursue a different traffic pattern. He suggested that HVRTA have the opportunity be involved in the process.

**Sweatshirts:** Pattie reported she will order 12 sweatshirts as there is need for larger. Sizes.

**New Paltz Road Parking Lot by Firehouse.** Eric will check with Rich, Superintendent of Highways about filling in the potholes.

**Credit Card:** Chrissy will check with the HVCU about using a credit card on the phone.

**Winterfest:** The date is February 7, 2026, the subcommittee is Pattie, Susan, Marie and **Loretta.**

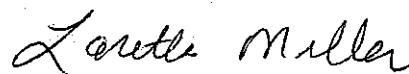
**Moonwalk:** Susan is planning a Moonwalk in the Spring and Fall. She will have exact dates at our next meeting.

**National Trails Day is June 6,2026**

**Berm on Haviland Road:** Pattie will get two estimates on maintaining the berm.

**Adjourned:** Sue made a motion seconded by Loretta to adjourn at 8:33PM.Motion Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,



Loretta Miller,

Recording Secretary