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Hudson Valley Rail Trail Association

Minutes May 19, 2026



Meeting: President Eric Norberg called the meeting to order via zoom at 7PM in the Town Hall. **Board Members Attending:** Debbie Walsh, Pattie Scott, Susan VanDeBogart, Loretta Miller, Marie Sidgwick, Rafael Diaz, via zoom Ray Constantino and Erik Hazelton **Guest:** Rich Roza from Rossi Builders **Member:** Peter Bellizzi

Guest Rich Roza: Rich reported that the roof on the shed was patched, urinal is fixed, heaters are in place but need a cage over them. The Pavillon doors are painted but one door needs to be replaced. The caboose has been power washed. **Caboose 75 Haviland Rd.** Richie will paint and replace windows etc. He will submit an estimate on the cost. **NP Rd Kiosk** He will repair it. He reported there are 20 broken posts on the Rail Trail. This is a Town project.

Little Library: Susan asked Richie if could repair the plastic. Peter suggested acrylic.

Minutes: Susan made a motion to accept the minutes seconded by Marie. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report: The report was approved with a motion made by Loretta and seconded by Marie. The available funds less committed is \$20,888.05. The Town Board passed a **resolution for 50% of the Paid Parking** money to be put in an account for blacking toping Haviland Road Parking Lot. Peter said that the **remaining 50%** should be for the software and maintenance of the Rail Trail. **The HVRTA** financed \$20,000 for the Paid Parking.

Membership: Chrissy reported there are 143 members. She will bring an alphabetized membership list to the Annual Meeting.

Correspondence: Marie will send thank you notes to the people who were involved with "Tales on the Trail" such as the Teacher, Storyteller and students.

NYS Parks: Chrissy reported that Pride in the Sky is May 30th from 7to 9PM on the Walkway. Peter reported that Brian Bishop is the new Ranger.

New Berm Haviland Road: Pattie reported that Top Seed will be watering it until June. She paid for the watering . She suggested the Town water it when they water the plants in Town. Eric will check with Frank Alfonso concerning this matter.

Trail Maintenance: Loretta and Pattie both mentioned that the Rail Trail had not been mowed and the grass was very high including Haviland Rd. Eric will check with Richard Klotz, Highway Superintendent. Haviland Road near meters need to be cleaned by the Town.

Caboose 75 Haviland Road: The Highland Rotary Club put mulch around the Caboose.

Ford Bridge: Ray reported the engineers said the decking was good, need to replace broken boards. The Board will walk the Ford Bridge on June 6th.National Trails Day.

101 New Paltz Road: The security and wi-fi need to be connected.

Murals: Patti reported that 1810 Stone House was almost completed and soon she would be starting the Trolley. Ray contacted electrical engineer Dennis Bragg for his suggestion for lighting the Mural.

Signage: Loretta reported that Richie, Highway Superintendent and the Highway Department have put up the new signs with the correct website.

569 New Paltz Rd is the name of the Parking Lot across from the Firehouse.

Tales on the Trail: Susan said the event was successful. There was good music , the professional storyteller was good and so was the student. The Teacher in charge is interested in doing something in the fall. Susan suggested we ask for a donation instead of charging a price for admission.

Emma's Bench: Chrissy reported the bench needs to be ordered and the father is getting the plaque.

Fence at Linwood Trail Head: Eric reported the owner Ray is putting up a split rail fence to declinate the line between the HVRT and Vintage Village.

Highland Landing Park: Eric said that the Landing Park wants to merge as they are done with improvements and have money in their account. Eric said that he, Alan and Mike would be meeting. The HVRT Board has not received a copy of the document as of this meeting.

Springfest was well attended.

Annual Meeting June 6th at the Pavilion: There will be a complimentary breakfast, coffee, muffins, etc.

Carol Potenza Bench: Erik asked what could be done to repair the bench as a chunk broke off the bench. Peter offered to check the bench.

Sign at the Pavilion needs to be raised

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 with a motion made by Chrissy and seconded by Marie. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Loretta Miller

Recording Secretary