Humber Valley Heritage Trail Association

Bolton Chapter Minutes, May 15, 2015

Call to order 7:35 p.m. Humberview library - **Present:** Jerry Gorman, Rebecca Petre, Dan Petre, Claudio Chiappetta, Tina Daalderop, Sreekanth George, Emilia Gal, Rodney Hautot, Cat Cybulski. **Guests:** Patti Foley, Dana Smith, Nicole Kennedy **Excused:** Eric Gunter

Previous Minutes: Approved - moved by Rodney, seconded by Tina

President's Report: Insurance/Hike Leader Certification - Received Hike Ontario invoice for $559.06 (Invoice # I-150505HVHT), will give to Eric to pay. Read about out clarifications to insurance sent to us by Hike Ontario. (attached to minutes) Jerry will be at Hike Ontario meeting on the 23rd (standing in for Roland Gatti from Kleinberg Chapter), will find out about recertification of hike leaders. (Rodney would like to know who pays the $1000 deductible for board members? The member or the organization? It is assumed that the organization will be paying it.) Certificate of insurance for 2015/2016 has been sent to PDSB (renewable annually). Certificate of insurance for Caledon Day has been sent to Town of Caledon. **Signage on trail -** For information: Jerry attended TRCA/Town of Caledon/Region of Peel meeting this afternoon. They want standardized signage throughout Bolton Resource Management Tract. Official trailhead sign has been accepted. They would like to look at additional signage such as historical signs. **GTA Corridor West -** 3 mailings received from GTA corridor west. Meetings to present status of GTA West Transportation Corridor will be held at the end of June. You must RSVP if you want to attend. **Town of Caledon Recreation Wish List -** Town of Caledon's recreation Leisureplan Play meeting (date TBA) between Jerry and Rob Mezapelli, Laura Johnson and Brian Baird, Jerry will pitch connection of easements trails (i.e. from Humberview S.S. down to trail). Showed off the new Explore Caledon pamphlet. Discussed the insurance piece (no coverage for mountain biking) and how it will affect the parts of the trail that may become multi-use trail. Jerry says that the TRCA would take responsibility for those sections. Rodney and Cat have concerns about liability on the parts of the trail administered by TRCA and how do we prove their administration.

Directors' Reports: Membership (Cat) - 70 members, roughly on par with this time last year. 5 new since last meeting. Hike leaders must have a valid membership and hike leader certification in order to be covered by insurance. *Action* - Cat to verify current status of hike leaders with the hike coordinator. *Action* - Cat to send info. about new members from AGM to Tina so calendars can be delivered. **Treasurer (Eric) -** Apologies. **Trail Maintenance (Claudio) -** Majority of time spent on section 3 this month re: complaints about a large log that has been there since last fall. The log has been successfully cut by an unknown person. Trail audits to happen in the upcoming months. Will be out this Saturday with Chris to look at where trail needs to be joined at the BAR moving South and to replace some signage (orange flagging ribbon). Cat has given Claudio a list of things to be completed. Guides to help build a bridge in section 3. Cat has provided a list of volunteers for Claudio. *Action* - Claudio will communicate with Rodney to get a list of material and dates for the build. **Communications (Emilia) -** Bill Wilson's blog has been added to the website. Second entry is being reviewed and will be up on the website this week. New section about ghost towns has been added to the website under the heritage section. A few new maps added as well.

Unfinished Business: Krista to come in June to talk to us about Rotary. **Action** - Dan to contact her. Discuss signage/responsibility for parts of the trail that may become multi-use in regards to insurance and liability. Albion Hills Conservation Area PAC update by Rodney. Rodney will monitor and advise when next meeting is happening. A lot of representation by mountain biking community at this time. Geocacheing - Gordon Gates "Cache In, Trash Out" - Claudio hasn't heard back from him. Cat sent an email with membership application and nothing came back. Caledon Day - Tina needs a few more names for volunteers (has 8 people so far), Cat may be available later in the day. Tina will email people who have signed up to tell them about parking fees and arrange shifts. Nicola Ross has asked about promoting her book at Caledon Day since we aren't publishing a newsletter any time soon. **Action** - Tina will contact Nicola to ask her to take a shift at the booth in exchange for selling/promoting her book. Rotary Gala - Rodney picked up $ and passed it on to Eric. Jerry spoke to Forsters about a liaison membership, Cat has added them to the membership.

New Business: Guests Dana and Nicole, Recreation coordinators at the Wellness Centre and Caledon East Community Complex spoke on behalf of the Town of Caledon intention to teach about environment and get kids outdoors and active. Can HVHTA plan a day for them where we lead a day for trail maintenance ? Jerry pointed out that the camp can use the trail anytime they want and Caledon is free to advertise on behalf of the HVHTA. We can provide the material for the advertising. **Action** - Rebecca - blurb about trail membership to go out to camp kids' families (to be cut and paste from website) **Action** - Claudio to go speak to fitness group. Rodney looked into school permit for meetings and all dates are okay as of right now. Booked from September 2015 to June 2016. AGM will be April 13th 2016. Jerry - Risk management. Eric pointed out that we should take a fresh look at our risk management plan (Nov. 2012, based on Hike Ontario guidelines). Eric expressed an interest in reviewing. **Action** - Eric to review HVHTA risk management plan and send suggestions to the board. **Action** - Cat to foward current trail maintenance work/guided hike waiver form to Jerry and Eric.

Meeting adjourned 10:02 pm – Rodney moved, Tina seconded

Next meeting: Wednesday June 10, 2015 @ 7:00pm in the Humberview S.S. Library