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Hudson Valley Rail Trail Association
Minutes October 17, 2023

Meeting: The meeting was called to order by President Peter Bellizzi at 7:03PM in the Town Hall. **Board Members Present:** Susan VanDeBogart, Chrissy Wolcott, Loretta Miller, Eric Norberg, Erik Hazelton, Fred Pizzuto and Ray Costantino via phone. **Board Members Absent:** Patti Scott, Marie Sidgewick and Rafael Diaz

Guest: Natalia from NPS-RTACA was present via zoom. She was interested in the HVRTA strategic plan and mission. What are our resources to promote preservation, history, values and goals. NPS will establish a partnership and commitment to the HVRTA. Natalia is assigned a new position so HVRTA will have a new project manager in December. The Board is to continue with the outline.

Ford Bridge: Ray received the report from engineer Peter Melewski about the Ford Bridge. The report indicated the need for repairs as tie bolts are missing etc. It would cost \$18,500 to repair the structure and \$6,000 for the live and dead load. The Piasecki Steel Construction Company is in the area and available to repair the structure around November first. The Ford or Farmers Bridge is in the master plan for 101 New Paltz Road. After a brief discussion Eric made a motion seconded by Fred to move forward to reconstruct the Ford Bridge. Motion Passed. Chrissy made a motion seconded by Erik to request funding from the Town and to use the PRD fund. Motion Passed. Peter will make a presentation to the Town Board for funding at Wednesday's meeting (tomorrow).

Minutes: The minutes were approved by a motion from Erik and seconded by Fred.

Treasurer's Report: Loretta made a motion to approve the report seconded by Sue. Motion Passed. The available funds less the committed and reserved funds is \$25,162.65.

Correspondence: Loretta requested Marie write a thank you to Pavero's Cooler for their donation of apples for Walktoberfest.

Membership: Chrissy reported there are 39 members to date.

Walktoberfest: Loretta reported there are enough volunteers for our booth. Chrissy will seed the Membership and Tee shirts accounts etc.

Pavilion: Peter said that they need volunteers to complete the project.

Brochure: Eric met with Jen and all changes have been made. Peter asked Eric to check with LaManna printing for a price.

Paid Parking: Peter reported the Town is in contact with the Kiosk company.

Website: Chrissy reported that April Web from Dutchess Chamber helped her update the Website.

Parking lot C: Fred reported the manholes and tubes have been delivered.

Art Along the Trail. Chrissy said that on a warm day they will lacquer the pieces.

Adjourned: Eric made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 PM seconded by Erik. Motion Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Loretta Miller
Recording Secretary