

SEPTEMBER 2023 SUSQUEHANNOCK TRAIL CLUB MINUTES

The September 2023 meeting was held Saturday the 9th at Ilene Altenheim's farm in Mina, PA. The following 16 members enjoyed a dish-to-pass picnic at noon followed by the business meeting:

Wanda Shirk, Jan Halter, John Halter, Gary Buchanan, Alice Buchanan, Elizabeth Kapoor, Curt Weinhold, Penny Weinhold, Jayne Fitzgerald, John Zimmer, Gary Fuller, Bill Boyd, Angela Jackson, Joe Thompson, Janet Long, Lori Szymanik

President Wanda Shirk called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm with the reading of the July 2023 and August 2023 meeting minutes by Lori Szymanik. Motion made by John Zimmer to accept minutes as read and seconded by Wayne Baumann. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT by Bill Boyd:

Beginning Balance:	\$6340.93
Debits (expenditures):	\$ 496.91
Credits (receipts):	\$ 316.18
Current Balance:	\$ 6160.20

Expenses included a new weed-whacker, stain and other materials for new shelters, sales tax.

TRAILS REPORT by Bill Boyd:

34 volunteers completed **422** hours during the month of August. The total number for the year so far is 1777 hours.

NEW MEMBERS by Lois Morey:

- No new members to report

CIRCUIT HIKER REPORT by Lori Szymanik:

- No new circuit hikers have been approved since our last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Abe Peachy + crew worked on the trail including moving a memorial bench for Ryan Fairbank to the vista at Ole Mountain. Abe + crew enjoyed meals provided by trail club members.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Staining has started at the new Bolich Run shelter.
- If you are parking at Patterson SP to do maintenance or hike, please park on the east side. The camping area is often filled with campers that are paying for the sites.
- Dave McMillan suggested one location for meetings. Pros and cons were discussed. Alice Buchanan suggested a compromise by holding some meetings in the same location but also having meetings at other locations.
- Pros and cons of holding winter meetings was discussed. It was decided that winter meetings will occur this year.
- The club needs a place for the December meeting. Penny Weinhold is checking with Sweden Valley Methodist Church. She will also take charge of decorations.
- Wanda Shirk will check into the Lumber Museum for our January meeting.
- Bringing back the February Frolic was discussed. This was traditionally held at the Susquehannock Lodge. A date of February 14 was suggested.
- Jan & John Halter contacted Bill Boyd about lumber at the Pennsylvania Lumber Museum. Both Jan & John are volunteers at the Museum and John is on the board. Lumber cut at sawmill demonstrations was donated to the Susquehannock Trail Club. It will be used for making bunks in shelters and other shelter projects.
- Galeton and Coudersport Fall Fests are on the same day this year—Saturday, September 30, 2023. We will have a booth set up in both Galeton and

Coudersport. Volunteers are needed at both locations. Contact Gary Buchanan to volunteer for Coudersport and Angela Jackson to volunteer in Galeton.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 pm.

The next meeting will be held at Lyman Run State Park on October 14, 2023

Meeting minutes taken and submitted by Lori Szymanik