THC Email Meeting Report for 4/9/2020

Minutes: Draft minutes from the January 23 meeting were emailed to board members on April 2, 2020. There were no new changes or modifications requested.

Treasurer's Report through March 31, 2020, Leslie:

Receipts fell short of expenses by \$1,810. This was expected and budgeted for. The shortfall was caused by the purchase of new maps in late March. The total expense for maps is \$2,345 including shipping, slightly less than the \$2,500 budgeted. Shipping charges will appear on the next quarter statement.

The remaining extraordinary charge was \$523.80 for trail markers, again, slightly less than the \$550 budgeted.

The last line on the financial statement notes the amount of the End to End deposits received. These are a liability until the event is held. I will keep this note on the financials until next year when the event is held. If any deposits are refunded the amount will be updated.

While dues are quite a bit less than budgeted the bulk of the renewals come in the last quarter. I expect the shortfall to be made up at that time.

I have received a few donation/membership acknowledgments (Friends of The Dyken Pond, Rensselaer Plateau Alliance, and Williamstown Rural Lands Foundation. I will bring them to the next meeting.

The Rensselaer Plateau Alliance sent a note including contact information for Dan Morse the Volunteer Program and Outreach Manager. 518-712-9211 <u>dan@rensselaerplateau.org</u>

End to End: Martha: An email vote taken and unanimously approved in March to postpone the E2E until May 8, 2021 due to COVID 19. Tom sent an email to the 29 participants to update them and give the option to remain on the participant list or withdraw and receive a refund. They all chose to stay on the list. I sent thank you emails to perspective E2E volunteers also. Website E2E page has been updated.

Membership: Sue: The second renewal letter went out in early March. Our current membership stands at 193.

Social: Margaret and Martha: Consensus from an email sent to board members last week is wait until late April to decide if we should postpone the May 31 picnic or not. Margaret will check with the Grafton Lakes State Park about the reservation and possible new dates. She said we will need a grill cook.

Trail work: **Dave** submitted a trail work report showing 134 hours of trail work so far this year. He added, since the E2E is canceled, then sense of urgency is not as great, but he plans to get back on the trail soon. **Outings:** Martha: All outings from mid-March through April have been cancelled due to COVID 19. We will monitor and cancel the May outings if needed.

We had a wonderful variety of hikes, now we just need to see the light at the end of the tunnel to reschedule them!

Old Business: Martha: The maps have been printed and will be shipped this week. Leslie ordered hats from WLR Embroidery in Voorheesville. He quoted \$8.00 per hat plus shipping, within the budget.

Note: Meeting held via email due to Covid 19 pandemic