

SAW MILL RIVER AUDUBON SOCIETY
Minutes of a regular meeting
of the
Board of Directors
and Chairmen of Standing Committees
May 1, 1958

The regular meeting of the Officers, Directors and Chairmen of Standing Committees, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald was called to order by the President at 8:45 P.M.

Members present were; Mrs. Laire, Miss Boury, Mrs. Jessup, Mrs. MacDonald, Mrs. Mack, Mrs. Rose, Mr. Aikman, Mr. Fennell, Mr. Malone, Mr. Olson and Mr. and Mrs. Holmes.

The minutes of the regular meetings of March 6, 1958 and of April 3, 1958 were read and approved. With the correction to the April 3rd meeting as Mrs. Coggeshall was present.

Mr. Fennell moved that arrangements be made with the Bank in which the funds of the Society are deposited so that checks can be drawn either over the signature of Mrs. Holmes, the Treasurer or Mrs. Laire, the President. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Laire announced that the next general meeting of S.M.R.A.S. at which Mr. Charles Mohr will speak will be on May 21st at the

Robert E. Bell High School in Chappaqua. There was discussion as to how to arouse interest in this meeting so as to assure a good attendance. It was suggested that Scout Groups and the Junior and Senior High Schools in the area be contacted.

Mrs. Laire read the names of those members who have been appointed to serve on standing committees for the coming year. When the roster of these committees is complete it will be published in the Bulletin. The two committees who have been serving separately as a Conservation Committee and a Committee on Sanctuaries have been

combined and will be known as the Committee on Conservation.

After discussions relative to several local areas which it appears might be available for Sanctuaries the Conservation Committee was requested to contact the proper persons and arrange to inspect the areas in question.

Mr. Fennell told of being invited to a meeting at Audubon House which was sponsored by the Regional Planning Association of New York. He summarized the plans that were outlined at this meeting for a census that will be made in 21 Counties lying in 3 States within the general vicinity of New York, in an effort to discover areas of 100 acres or more that might be set aside as natural undeveloped open spaces. The Society has been requested to participate in this survey. It was moved that the Saw Mill River Audubon Society cooperate in the survey of the Regional Planning Association of New York. The motion was carried.

The Conservation Committee will gather as much information as possible relative to mass spraying with D.D.T. which was carried out last year and is considered for 4 more years. It is hoped that something constructive may be done to prevent further spraying.

There have been six applicants for the Scholarships for Audubon Camps. There was a discussion of the basis upon which these

applicants are judged. It was felt that if an Application Blank which asks certain pertinent questions were available such a blank should be prepared and used in the future.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at the Wardens Pond on the Grasslands Grounds on Thursday June 5th

following a "cook out" at 7:00 P.M. to which husbands and wives will be invited.

There being no further business a vote of appreciation for their hospitality was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald and the meeting was adjourned at 10;50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. F. T. Mack

Recording Secretary pro tern