

SMRA Board Meeting
April 8, 1976

The meeting was called to order by Carol Coggeshall at 8:30 p.m, at the home of Kaye Anderson. Present were Mmes. Lober, Weiler, Patterson, Weiss, Smith, and Rubin and Msrs. Abb, Hartmann, Wecker, Mrstik, Panko, Spindelov, and McLean. Absent were Mmes. Hartmann and Ridgeway, and Mr. Hulme. Guests were Mmes. Mountain, Brown, and Metzler, and Mr. Daniels.

The minutes were approved as read.

The balance of SWMRAS was \$2,967.01. The Sanctuary Endowment Fund had \$15,377.09. The Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund had \$647.07.

President's Report

1. Mrs. Joseph Malone died. A contribution to the Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund has been received.
2. More information will be obtained before deciding whether to participate in the Greenwich bird count on June 20.
3. We will cooperate with the colonial bird register project.
4. Federal falconry regulations have arrived.
5. We will participate in the NAS Middle Atlantic Conference at Greenwich on April 24 and 25,
6. The new Board will decide the monthly day for Board meetings.

Committee Reports:

1. Fund Drive - Contributions of \$1,104.99 have been received,
2. Sanctuaries
 - a. Brinton Brook - A new chairman is needed. A water line will be located within the 200 foot buffer zone,
 - b. Tax bills - sewer taxes are due. Requests for tax exemptions on the additions to sanctuaries must be filed by June 1.
 - c. Gedney - more lumber is needed. A Scout will help. More work was done in the orchard. Fliers were distributed in the Gedney and Pinecliff neighborhoods to encourage that wildlife be left in the sanctuaries.
 - d. Graff - A useful survey has been requested from NAS before the management agreement will be signed by SMRAS. A workday will be held on April 10.
3. Naturalist - Kaye Anderson's activities included working at Gedney, the Monday walks, and visiting schools (including being on a panel at a career night). Kaye said that a breeding bird census in our sanctuaries would be more useful to us than participation in the Greenwich count on June 20.
4. Bulletin - The deadline is May 10.
5. Scholarships - More cooperation with the WAC would be good.
6. WAC - The county is looking at the Saw Mill River as a whole in terms of flood treatment and of water supply. We will try to get WAC support for the solid waste plan,
7. Field Trips - Past and future trips were reviewed.
8. Membership - We had 849 memberships in January and 853 in February.
9. Program - The April bird call program will include a demonstration of the use of equipment in the field.

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10. Community committees - Dottie Metzler told about the construction of the tot lot in Ossining and about how she is working to protect the next area of the project.

The Board thanked Carol Coggeshall as the outgoing President and those leaving the Board were also thanked.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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Recording Secretary

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