

SMRAS Board Meeting
November 4, 1976

The meeting was called to order by Dick Mrstik at 8:35 p.m. at the home of Kaye Anderson. The following members were present: Brown, Coggeshall, Gillette, Hartmann, Jacoby, Jamieson, Metzler, Mrstik, Patterson, Smith, Spendelow, Wecker, Weiler, Wiltse, Anderson, Mountain, Williams and Holmes,

The minutes of the October 7 Board Meeting were read, Dorthy Metzler moved that they be accepted as corrected. Seconded and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read. The balance of SMRAS was \$7,835.78. The Sanctuary Endowment Fund - \$15,450.72. The Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund - \$664.49.

President's report:

We are looking for a candidate to attend the national meeting at Estes Park in June, 1977.

Spencer Brown will be our Alaska issues chairman.

A tax bill signed earlier this year includes a section for more liberal lobbying.

A letter from the State Board of Social Welfare asks us for a report within 90 days of the close of our year.

Dr. Morgan Prine plans to give SMRAS \$11,000 annually, all of which will be designated for the naturalist's salary, The first check will be issued in December, 1976, The gifts will continue throughout his lifetime.

Frank Gillette moved that we accept the report of the Finance Committee of SMR S as now corrected as a temporary basis of Kaye Anderson's employment. Seconded and approved.

Stan Wecker, Dottie Metzler, Carol Coggeshall, Len Peyser and Jeff Spendelow were appointed by the President as a temporary naturalist's committee.

Lester Holmes reported that 11 tons of sunflower seeds and 87 -pounds of thistle seed had been sold with a profit of \$2,000.

Thelma Smith moved that the \$2,000 profit from the sale of seed be put in the sanctuary endowment fund with the proviso that only the interest may be used, Seconded and approved.

Mr. Holmes asked that a letter be written to Mr. Angelo Patane and family thanking them for their assistance in the sale of the seed and the use of their garage for storage.

Carol Coggeshall reported that the Environmental Council had written a letter objecting to the filling in of wetlands on Bear Ridge in order to build two more houses in the development planned for that area and also in the Esposito plans to change the course of a stream running through his development for the same reason,

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Lloyd Jamieson will look into the cost of a memorial plaque to be placed in the display case at Gedney with names of contributors to our fund drive.

Kaye Anderson called the Board's attention to the Audubon books which she has available.

The December 2 Board Meeting will be at Betty Brown's •

The meeting adjourned at 10150 p.m.

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Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary