

SMRAS Board Meeting  
December 2, 1976

The meeting was called to order by Dick Mrstik at 8130 p.m. at the home of Betty & Spencer Brown. The following members were present: Brown, Coggeshall, Jacoby, Knapp, McLean, Mrstik, Patterson, Panko, Smith, Spendelow, Weiler, Wiltse, and Anderson.

The minutes of the November 4 Board Meeting were read. Betty Brown moved they be accepted as corrected.

The Treasurer's report was read. The balance of SMRAS was \$5,103.47. The Sanctuary Endowment Fund - \$17,922.45. The Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund - \$684.49.

President's report:

The Spring Festival will be held at Ward Pound Ridge on June 5, 1977.

Judy Rosenthal volunteered to get out literature for fund raising to 50 members of SMRAS, one third to be sent to Chappaqua, one third to Ossining and one third to Croton.

The news release was sent out on Kaye Anderson's appointment as full-time naturalist for SMRAS.

Len Peyser, Kaye Anderson and Gerald Swope will be a committee to work out a design for register boxes at the sanctuaries with the expectation of having them up by Spring.

The Treasurer reports expenditures of \$1,152 which is sufficient to put SMRAS on the National Honor Roll.

The Treasurer and President are looking into our insurance program to see if changes are necessary.

The state wants back reports. We may have to pay a \$20 filing fee in addition to amounts due.

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Thelma Smith reported that our membership is about 826. She also reported on an organizational meeting at White Plains for a new chapter of Audubon.

Evelyn Knapp reported a profit of \$40, from the sale of 40 boxes of Christmas cards.

Field trips about 25 members attended the outing at Playland.

Kaye Anderson reported that a work day was held at Gedney, Tree cutting etc., was done. She also gave an interesting account of the adventures of Cyclops, a great horned owl, now residing in her basement.

Carol Coggeshall reported that she had visited Croton Gorge.

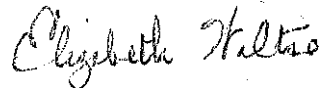
Spenser Brown is a new member on the Pleasantville Conservation Advisory Committee.

Ed McLean suggested that a letter be written to CAB concerning the preservation of a hemlock grove on property recently sold to developer Howard Weiss.

( Betty Brown urged that SMRAS participate in. the League of Women Voters' Conference to be held at Purchase SUNY on February 12. We would have to spend \$16. No action taken. to

Our next meeting will be held at the home of Catherine Weiler on January 6, 1977.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.



Elizabeth Wiltse  
Recording Secretary