

SMPRAS Board Meeting
November 3, 1988

The meeting was called to order by Donna Nye at 8:20 p.m. at the home of Nina McCall. The following Directors were present: Midge Arnold, Alice Avouris, Richard Blair, Ruth Bucher, Frank Gillette, Ellen Heidelberger, Sophie Keyes, Nina McCall, Donna Nye, Drew Panko, Pam Rubin, Stan and Rita Wecker and Betty Wiltse. Thelma Smith was also present.

The minutes of the October Board Meeting were accepted as corrected. On page 2, the additional charge to the cost of the roof is \$1,800, not \$2,800.

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Donna Nye reported that she had mailed about 50 letters to nature centers and advertised in "Environmental Opportunity" advertising the position of naturalist. Seven replies have been received.

Pam Rubin reported that the meeting about the Jay property was cancelled because O'Rourke was in the hospital.

Nina McCall said she had called the Governor's Office urging him to get things moving because the municipal board in Rye was about to give approval for a certain amount of development.

Tea Town is sponsoring a trip to Jobago in June, 89, and is holding a raffle in which the first prize will be a free trip to Jobago. They would like to use our mailing list.

Stan Wecker moved that we give Tea Town the option of paying our printer for mailing out their material on the trip to Jobago and reimbursing us for any expense that we incur. The motion was seconded and carried. 10 in favor, 2 opposed, 3 abstain.

Pam Rubin announced that the contractor who was to remove the material collected at Chemical Cleanup Day is now refusing to take the material away. We should think about a follow-up to the cleanup day. Stan Wecker suggested that we get notices of such cleanups and recycling into FWC News Letter.

Frank Gillette reported that work on the Pruyn house is completed except for some painting on the outside trim. Also an area formerly blocked by trees and shrubbery has been opened up. The chain saw has been repaired. The hot water supply is skimpy.

Nina McCall reported that she had been to a Planning Board Meeting and made a statement on the Crystal Springs Development, about preserving the water as a source and what would be the impact on our Gedney Sanctuary.

Rita Wecker reported that not much progress has been made on the Trust Agreement. Mr. Casper still insists the estate should receive the interest payments until the end of 1988. An attorney, Gordon Marsh, has been engaged as legal counsel and he has sent the trustee the documents to get the principal and will also try to get the interest payments made to SMPRAS.

Rita Wecker moved that we adopt the amended resolution on the Morgan Pruyn Charitable Trust Agreement as signed by the Secretary. Seconded and carried.

Stan Wecker mentioned that we are running low on stationery and should get some bids.

Ruth Bucher was thanked for making an alphabetical list of Board Members.

The December Board Meeting will be held at the home of Sophie Keyes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary