

**Manchester Parks Foundation**  
**Minutes from July 12, 2004**  
**Respectfully submitted by Brenda Wulforst**

**OFFICERS**

- √ *Elsie McCleary, President*
- √ *Ellen Rugemer, Vice-President*
- √ *Brenda Wulforst, Secretary*
- √ *Sharon Hughes, Treasurer*

**BOARD MEMBERS**

- √ *Jenny Walters*
- Steve Bankert*
- √ *Betty Smith*
- √ *Bill Skinner*
- Donna Baker*

(A √ indicates presence at the meeting on the date above.)

Center volunteers George Hooper, Tom Smith, and Pete Wulforst also attended the meeting. Guests Mare Cromwell, Carol Hose, and Barbara Mooney also attended.

Elsie McCleary, President, called the Monthly Meeting of the Manchester Parks Foundation to order at Charlotte's Quest on July 12, 2004, at 7:00 PM.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

- Minutes from the June meeting were reviewed.
- Betty Smith moved to accept the June minutes as written, and Sharon Hughes seconded the motion. The minutes stand approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- Sharon Hughes presented the June Treasurer's Report.  
  
June income-\$0  
June expenses-\$345.37  
Balance-\$2,743.69
- Jenny Walters moved to approve the Treasurer's report as written. Brenda Wulforst seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report stands approved.

**PRETTYBOY WATERSHED ALLIANCE**

- Mare Cromwell, coordinator for the Alliance, attended the meeting. She explained their mission, asked for our assistance, and answered questions.
- She envisions a collaboration of efforts in cleaning up and preserving the watershed.

## **MASTER GARDENERS**

- Barbara Mooney and Carol Hose attended the meeting.
- Carol has already been volunteering her talents at the Nature Center.
- Master Gardeners are eager to assist in any way - weeding, planting, and providing pertinent articles for the newsletter.

## **PROGRAMS-**

- Fishing Derby was successful. Approximately 50 children attended, and an approximately equal number of fish were caught.
- Derby awards will be presented 7/13 at Town Hall.

## **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**

- Ellen Rugemer presented plans submitted by a scout to build a kiosk at the Nature Center.
- Plans were reviewed and approved.

## **SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Earth Kids Club Meetings - 2nd Friday of the month. August 13 is 1st meeting 4:30-6:00. Sherry Fisher will coordinate. Cost is \$2.00 per child, of which \$1.00 funnels to Charlotte's Quest.
- Memory Grove planting scheduled for October 3, 2004.
- Christmas Crafts - December 4

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- None reported

## **OTHER**

- Betty Smith reported that lots of mowing and trimming has been done.
- Ellen Rugemer moved to upgrade the fire ring in the field to a council ring. Betty Smith, seconded, and the motion was approved.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Sharon Hughes presented more logo designs, and a one-color design was approved.
- Elsie McCleary will investigate the cost to reproduce.
- Sherry Fisher will organize some programs for fall 2004.

- Considering opening the Nature Center on Sunday afternoons - volunteers are needed. Will try this on the first Sunday of the month.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- John Sullivan, a humane trapper in the area, wants permission to release trapped animals on Center property. Parks foundation voted not to approve.

Jenny Walters moved to adjourn the meeting, and Ellen Rugemer seconded. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 2, 2004 at the Nature Center at 7:00 PM.