

**Manchester Parks Foundation
Minutes from November 1, 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*

Naturalist

- √ *Barbara Mooney*

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

Elsie McCleary, President, called the Monthly Meeting of the Manchester Parks Foundation to order at Charlotte's Quest on November 1, 2004, at 7:00 PM.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- Minutes from the October meeting were reviewed.
- Sharon Hughes moved to accept the October minutes as written, and Ellen Rugemer seconded the motion. The minutes stand approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Sharon Hughes presented the October Treasurer's Report.

October income-\$97.00
October expenses-\$445.60
Balance-\$2,364.33

- Brenda Wulforst moved to approve the Treasurer's report as written. Jenny Walters seconded this motion. The Treasurer's Report stands approved.

NATURALIST REPORT

- Pumpkin painting program held 10/9/04 was deemed a success considering this was a "first time" event.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS

- Keith Price and Chad Lenz, Troop 320, presented plans for projects.
- Keith submitted plans to rebuild existing fire ring and benches. Ellen Rugemer moved to accept preliminary plans, and Sharon Hughes seconded.
- Chad will build a cabinet to house Nature Center microscopes and equipment. He also presented preliminary sketches, and Ellen Rugemer moved to accept these plans. Brenda Wulforst seconded.

ELECTIONS

- Betty Smith reported for Election Committee. She presented a list of nominees.
- Open election will be conducted in January 2005.

PROGRAMS & UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/5 - Campfire Full Moon Night Hike
- 11/7 - Turkey Talk
- 11/13 - Fire Prevention Program
- 12/4 - Christmas Crafts

FACILITIES

- Nature Center water has been turned off for winter.
- Mowing has been completed.

OLD BUSINESS

- Letter received from DNR regarding stocking the pond with rainbow trout.
- Rulers are not what we ordered but we will accept them if rate is reduced.

NEW BUSINESS

- PTA money - Manchester Elementary School has budgeted \$500 for this school year.
- Betty Smith suggested that a dozen stools be purchased using these funds. Ellen will investigate prices.
- Foundation agreed to request that the school share 1/2 of phone expenses at the Center while school is in session. Betty moved to accept this suggestion and Sharon seconded.
- Betty will ask PTA to finance the purchase of 6 aquatic dip nets and 6 sweep nets.
- The Board discussed charging a fee for groups using the Center - this discussion tabled until January.
- Ellen will compile a list of Eagle Scout projects.
- Kenneth Bull donated 2 trees to be planted on Town property.
- A donation was received specific to building fund. This money will be earmarked for a fund.

The next meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Office January 3, 2005 at 7:00 PM.