

**Friends of Rouge Park Meeting
Jan 21, 2008**

Attendance: Paul Stark, Sally Petrella, Chester Marvin, Paul Shwab, Sharon Miudoch, Thomas McNulty, Linda Wesley (Brenda Jone's Rep.),

Minutes: Accepted as read

Treasurer's Report- Total: \$2347.68. The 5K Run donation from Bank of America for \$50 hasn't been accounted for. Sally and Chester will track it down.

Membership Report: Tom McNulty. 56 individual & family memberships and 12 organizational memberships, 68 total. Members of MMBA said they were going to join and stay involved, yet no one has joined or attended our meetings yet. We need to send reminders and encouragement for them to stay involved.

Presidents Report:

- St. Suzanne's School is becoming a community center, so we'll have to work with them to arrange our meetings.
- Lisa Goldsmith suggested meeting at the Police Precinct. We agreed to look into it for Tuesday nights.
- Sally is still pursuing our reimbursement from the city for Rouge Park Appreciation Day last year. Lisa Wesley will contact the Mayor's Office and look into it for us.
- Warren Ave. sign now has our web address added.
- Student Conservation Association with Greening of Detroit put in the new steps last year in Scout Hollow. We discussed ideas for future projects such as, (1) closing off ATV and Dumping entrances into the Sorenson Natural Area, (2), develop a hiking/cross country skiing trail from Scout Hollow, (3) redeveloping Elite Archery area.
- Sally will represent Friends of Rouge Park on the Greening of Detroit Nursery Committee.

Old Business:

5K Run

- All thank you letters have been sent out for the 5K run. An employee of Summit Sports (neighbor of Tom McNulty) said he'd like to sponsor/support our 5K run.

New Business:

- FORP meeting date. We decided to change our meetings to the third Tuesday of each month.
- Rouge Park Appreciation Day - Sharon Miudoch. No planning has begun yet.
- Discover Rouge Park Day - Eric T. not present.
- 5K Run - Paul S. No planning has begun yet.

Next meeting: Tues. Feb.17