A regular meeting of the Trustees of the Trust Funds for the City of Portsmouth, NH was held at the Shaw’s Warehouse in Portsmouth on Thursday, August 12, 2010.

Present were Michael Warhurst, Chairperson Lea Aeschliman, and Temporary Secretary Brad Lown. Sandy Henoquin appeared during the meeting to discuss various issues.

Minutes from the prior meeting were not available.

The Trustees received a letter from Charles Piazza of Faith Drama, and he has been approved to perform a ceremony in the public forum area this Sunday, August 15, 2010.

Sally Stebbins sent a check for $3000 for an inscription on a bench for her niece.

Michael Warhurst presented photographs of the mess created when the combined sewer outflow overflows into the area next to the Shaw’s Warehouse. The shop had to be emptied and the contents cleaned. Michael reported that the City is reportedly in the process of fixing this.

John Bohenko authorized the release of funds amounting to $4,000 for the design of the proposed concession stand, subject to a meeting with all parties involved regarding the City’s role.

Michael mentioned that the park website solicits donations, but there is no address for the donations to be sent, and he will look into adding the Park’s PO Box - 1103.

The Trustees have requested that the police check the Arts Festival trailers nightly and informed Sandy Henoquin that this had been requested. No sleeping is permitted in the trailers.

Brad will check on the status of the BIG Grant Application, which must be filed by September 20, 2010, and representatives of the City and the State must first confirm that the project is generally eligible, and which “tier” should be applied for.

Chairperson Aeschliman pointed out that Verizon/Fair Point did not include our phone number in the phonebook this past year and Brad will write to them about this.

There was a discussion about whether the Trustees should consider relinquishing the role of taking care of Four Tree Island and also a related discussion about the possibility of the Arts Festival paying a fee of some sort to the Park for the operation of the Festival, in anticipation of a difficult budget year or years ahead.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Bradley M. Lown, Temporary Secretary