

Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Board Meeting Minutes

16 June 2014

Reported by: Scott Brumbaugh

- **Opening Information**

- Attendance:
 - Scott Brumbaugh
 - Bob Vierck
 - Lynn Mitchell
 - Dave Dudukovich
 - Judi Sittler
 - Jim Lanning
- Board Meeting called to order by Sittler @ 1902
- Review of old minutes
 - Amendments: Change 'steak fry' to 'SCCTU Family Picnic'
 - Old minutes approved as amended
 - Motion: Mitchell
 - Second: Dudukovich

- **Treasurer's Report**

- Chapter's net worth = \$64,018.12
- Corrections: NONE
- A question arose as to whether the funds from SCCTU's Tony Gerace Memorial fund were transferred to Clearwater to pay for the bench (which is now built)
- Treasurer's Report Approval
 - Motion to approve: Lanning
 - Second: Sittler

- **Old Business**

- Action Items
 - Bill Voigt will contact PFBC regarding wash stations on Spring Creek.
 - Vierck spoke with PFBC, Bob Morgan and Jason Detar, about the wash stations. PFBC states, as a matter of policy, that they do not install wash stations streamside.
 - Vierck will send flowers to Gloria Humphreys.
 - The flowers were not able to be sent before Mrs. Humphreys passed away. The flowers were redirected to the funeral.
- SCCTU Endorsed Businesses
 - The issue of whether we should get a recognition plaque for Comfort Inn and Suites will be tabled to the next meeting when Pencak is here.
- TU Regional Mid-Atlantic Meeting
 - National TU made a few suggestions for the benefit of the chapter
 - National suggested we have 1-2 meetings a year that are not on Thursday night (Saturday afternoon for example)
 - National suggested that we send a paper newsletter at least once a year.
 - National suggested we have 1-2 meetings to discuss strategic planning for

the chapter.

- Columbia shirts (for logo embroidery)
 - Sittler and Dudukovich are still contemplating what shirts to buy for embroidery.
- SCCTU Family Picnic
 - Sittler suggested that we could recognize volunteers at next years picnic.
 - The chapter will consider this idea in the fall.

- **New Business**

- Sittler made a motion that SCCTU require anyone who requests a donation from SCCTU fill out a standard form
 - Brumbaugh seconded the motion
 - The motion carried unanimously
 - Brumbaugh will take the paper copy of the previous form, update the form to electronic format, and distribute to the board for approval.
- Wednesday (6/18/14) is the Spring Creek Watershed Commission meeting
 - The meeting is 1900 at the Spring Township Building
 - There is no special reason why any of us should attend, this is information only
- The Chapter supported the 'Stop the Cuts' letter
- Veteran's Program (Lanning)
 - Lanning proposes that we pursue a veteran's program in the model of the Veteran's Service Program
 - This would be a recurring fishing event for all veterans young and old. The program could involve fishing, fly tying, etc.
 - A motion was made to start a VSP program, with an initial budget of \$200 for the summer of 2014.
 - Motion: Lanning
 - Second: Dudukovich
 - The motion carried unanimously.
- Rte 550 / Roopsburg Rd.
 - The property address is 51 Buffalo Run Rd. The owners are Jacob and Toni Sidoti, who purchased the property in 2007.
 - PFBC previously complained in 2012 about the in-water structures that are on the property.
 - Progress has been made in gaining information, but the maps are still contradictory and confusion remains.
 - A meeting will be setup between Lanning, Kempf, Vierck, and Brumbaugh.
- Membership Committee
 - Sowers submitted a note generally asking for more funds for membership and PR efforts.
- Bellefonte Flood Wall
 - The engineering consulting firm sent plans to SCCTU that now include the PFBC recommended in-stream structures.
 - As of right now, it *appears* Bellefonte will fund the in-stream improvements and the devices are part of the general Bellefonte flood wall project.
- Conservation Committee
 - Vierck has a meeting about the Oak Hall project tomorrow (mid-August).
 - The plan to do the Fisherman's Paradise and Rock Rd parking lots is September.
 - We have met the match requirement for the NFWF grant.

- Return the Roots
 - The property owner wrote a thank you note to the chapter for the backyard landscaping that was performed.
- Eagle Scout project (Nate Ripka) at the 'Old Distillery' site
 - Nate reported on his project to build a kiosk at the 'Old Distillery' site along Spring Creek
 - The project was completed May 31, 2014
 - The kiosk, which includes a bench and a location for PFBC to post information, was approved by PFBC.
 - Nate is \$101.53 short of achieving full funding for the project.
 - Nate's phone number = (814) 470-1978
 - SCCTU will deny the funding request as a chapter, however a few individual's will privately fund the reimbursement of the cost of the project.
- The next Tertiary Treatment will include an article to advertise the proposed DHALO extension on Pine Creek. The article will NOT suggest a response one way or another.
 - Motion: XX
 - Second: XX

- **Closing Information**

- Adjourned at 2128
- Motion: Lanning
- Second: Dudukovich

- **Action Item Summary:**

- Vierck will contact Van Horn to ask him if the funds from the SCCTU Tony Gerace memorial account were transferred to Clearwater.
- Brumbaugh will take the paper copy of the previous form, update the form to electronic format, and distribute to the board for approval.
- Vierck will contact the Ramada to select a date for the 2015 fund-raising banquet.