

# Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 5 June 2017

Reported by: Scott Brumbaugh

- Meeting called to order by Vierck at 1901
- Attendance:
  - Bob Vierck
  - Judi Sittler
  - Mario Carrello
  - Jim Lanning
  - Mark Pencak
  - Scott Brumbaugh
  - Lynn Mitchell
  - Kate Lemon (via phone)
- Review of Secretary's Minutes
  - Amendments: Comments per Mitchell and Sittler
  - Motion to Approve as amended: Mitchell
  - Second: Pencak
- Review of Treasurer's Report
  - Amendments: NONE
  - Discussion:
    - VSP is currently ~\$220 over budget
    - This account will be 'watched' for the remainder of the year.
  - Motion to Approve: Lanning
  - Second: Lemon
- Old Business
  - Action Item Review:
    - Sittler and Vierck to discuss the potential project site in Lemont.
      - No update.
  - Loaning fishing equipment to beginners that don't have equipment.
    - SCCTU has a process for loaning equipment out with a sign-out / receipt procedure. The equipment is located in the shed at Fishermen's Paradise.
- New Business
  - Motion to take the Centre Gives appropriation as 'cash' and place it into the Chapter account.
    - Motion: Carrello
    - Second: Mitchell
    - Discussion: We can decide to put money back into the endowment at the end of the year after we review our finances.
  - Legislation and Permitting (Brumbaugh)

- The Paradise Hill excavating company parking lot continues to expand perilously.
        - Vierck will discuss the matter with the Conservation District as a matter of opportunity / convenience. Vierck has previously discussed this issue twice to no avail. It is unlikely that anything useful will develop from the conversation.
- Banquet (Dudukovich is absent).
  - No report.
- Education / Youth (Sittler)
  - Get Outdoors is June 10
    - Clearwater will conduct 4 guided hiking tours.
    - Sittler requested that someone take the duty of writing thank you notes to event sponsors.
      - Lemon volunteered to write the thank you notes.
  - June 14 is the YSB fishing event at the Lamar federal fish hatchery.
  - July 15 is the Clearwater hike through Spring Creek Canyon (as part of Centred Outdoors). No volunteers are needed.
  - July 20 (Thursday night): volunteers are needed to help youth with fishing at the Brookies Camp (Siege Conference Center on Fishing Creek).
  - July 26 is an Arbor Day event at PSU. No volunteers are needed.
  - August 8 is the YMCA trout release day at Whipple's Dam. Volunteers are needed.
  - Jeff Siemens is hosting a new Trout in the Classroom tank at the Park Forest Middle School (equipment came from the idle tank at the Park Forest Elementary School).
  - Sittler made a motion: In next year's budget, Sittler would like to make a line item to donate a TBD amount of money to National TU's Teen Summit.
    - The motion was tabled until budget discussions begin for next year.
  - Vierck reported that LL Bean is going to donate 5 fly rods.
- PATU (Lanning)
  - Several different by-laws are being proposed that will be voted on by Chapter Presidents.
- VSP (Lanning)
  - Project Healing Waters has expressed concern that they do not feel included in PA VSP activities.
  - 43 people showed up to the last VSP meeting.
- Social Committee (Pencak)
  - May's outdoor meeting at Fishermen's Paradise was poorly attend. In part, the weather was poor that day.
  - Pencak is working on the schedule for general membership meetings next year.

- June 2018 will be left open as an ‘outdoor meeting’ – this will again be the ‘Get Outdoors Day’.
    - For now, we plan for the rest of the meetings to be ‘indoor’ meetings with a speaker (at Comfort Suites).
    - A speaker is needed for the September 2017 general membership meeting.
  - Conservation (Vierck)
    - Mowing Fisherman’s Paradise:
      - Kerstetter put out a schedule for volunteers to mow Fisherman’s Paradise.
      - Chris Edison volunteered to be the leader of landscaping / mowing.
    - A coordinator for the redd survey is needed this Fall.
    - The Girl Scouts plan to donate 2 picnic tables to Fisherman’s Paradise.
    - Thompson Run project update:
      - All permits have been approved.
      - Ford Stryker will designate work days in June to work on the dyke.
  - Development (Vierck)
    - SCCTU received \$4600 in donations (before percentage match).
    - Mt. Nittany Winery is creating a new wine “Spring Creek White”. Mt. Nittany wants to donate \$3 / bottle to SCCTU.
- Meeting adjournment:
  - Adjourned by Vierck at 2055
  - Motion: Lemon
  - Second: Pencak
- Action Items:
  - Sittler and Vierck to discuss the potential project site in Lemont (carry forward).
  - Vierck will discuss the matter with the Conservation District as a matter of opportunity / convenience.
  - Brumbaugh to touch base with Ed Zweig.