

Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/05/2018

Reported by: Frances Stevenson

- Meeting called to order by **Lynn Mitchell** at 7:01
- Attendance: Lynn Mitchell, Jamie San Filippo, Jim Lanning, Bob Vierck, Mario Carrello , Ford Stryker, Mark Pencak, John Himes, Fran Stevenson
- Approval of October Board Minutes - **Fran Stevenson**
 - Amendments: None
 - Motion to Approve: **Ford Stryker**
 - Second: **Bob Vierck**
- Review of Treasurer's Report – **Mario Carrello**
 - **Ford Stryker** recommended that the certificate of deposit maturing on 11/11/2018 be rolled over into a new CD and \$5000 from the CD maturing in December be used for paying bills. **Mario** agreed.
 - Because the Chapter earned more than \$50,000 in the tax year a Form 990EZ was filed
 - The board members agree to the volunteer hours as reported on the 990EZ Form by **Mario**
 - Motion to approve the tax return: **Jim Lanning**
 - Second: **Jamie San Filippo**
 - PO Box 581, Lemont, Pa will be the address used from now on for all tax reporting
 - **Lynn Mitchell** must report to TU National, by November 15, 2018 the number of volunteer hours worked by the board members. **Lynn** will use the hours on last year's report as a guide line
 - Amendments: None
 - Motion to Approve October 2018 Results: **Bob Vierck**
 - Second: **Ford Styker**
- Action Items
 - The Mark Marcinak Memorial event was cancelled due to weather. Event will be rescheduled for some time in May 2019
 - **Hazel Stryker** is the new Chair of Get Out Doors and is beginning to prepare for the event
 - Tussey Mountain will send **Mario** the bill for \$250.00 to rent the pavillion
 - \$1000 has been budgeted for food and incidentals
 - Annual banquet
 - **Lynn Mitchell** will contact Heather Seers to discuss joining the board and working on the banquet
 - **Ford Stryker** will coordinate the banquet with **Paula Sowers** acting as a mentor for 2019

- **Jamie San Filippo** will ask the kids at the YMCA to stuff envelopes for the letters to go out in December
 - **Jamie San Filippo** will join the banquet committee and offered the YMCA for banquet committee meetings
 - Several people who have worked on the committee in the past are not willing to continue
 - **Bob Vierck** recommended a young person take over as chair to provide for succession planning
- Redd Count – **John Himes**
 - Scheduled for November 18th
 - **John** received a good response to a request for volunteers but still needs 12 more volunteers. **John** will reach out the Little J Association to ask for their help
 - **Bob Carline** will provide a demonstration at 10:30am at Spring Creek Park
 - **John** asked if the count can be delayed or cancelled if weather is bad or the water is too high or cloudy to do the count
 - It was suggested to keep the date for November 18th but allow volunteers to do the count at their own convenience but have the completed reports back by a specific date
- Holiday Party
 - Boalsburg Firehall 6:00 to 9:00pm. The hall is rented from 5:00pm to 10:00pm for set up and clean up
 - Chapter will provide main dishes
 - Everyone attending is asked to bring a dish and beverage of choice
 - Date and location were announced at the General Meeting. There were many new faces and much interest
- TU member behavior
 - **Lynn Mitchell** sent an email to the board advising of the situation of a SCCTU member viewing a child pornography video and attempting to contact a youth
 - The Chapter filed a Child Line Report through the PA State Police and has notified TU National, Clearwater Conservancy and the PA Fish and Boar Commission
 - **Ford Stryker** asked **Jim Lanning** to ask the PA State Police for a copy of the Child Line Report
 - TU National advised they were unsure how to handle the situation but said to make it clear to the member that they are not welcome at SCCTU meetings or events until their name is cleared
 - The member in question has tried to contact several other members of the Chapter but received no response
 - Due to the seriousness and severity of the member's actions **Jamie San Filippo** advises to ban the member from all SCCTU programs permanently
- Old Business
 - There is nothing new about the re-use water issue. DEP has not issued the permit

- New Business - None
- Committee Reports
 - Education and Youth – **Jamie San Filippo**
 - The packing of food backpacks went well in October. SCCTU members will volunteer again in May 2019
 - On 11/14/18 Penns Valley School students will be a Fisherman’s Paradise for the Family Fishing Program. No fishing license is required. Amidea Daniels will be running the program and volunteers are needed
 - A Real Girls meeting is scheduled for 11/14/2018
 - TIC report was received from Judi Sittler and is included with these minutes
 - Women Anglers – No report for October event
 - VSP – **Jim Lanning**
 - The last VSP Outdoors for 2018 was to be held on October 28th but was cancelled due to inclement weather. Training for Streamside Mentors was held between 11:00am and 1:00pm
 - The indoor classes will start on January 13, 2019
 - **Jim** has found another individual to take over the VSP Outreach
 - Membership and PR – No report
 - Social – **Mark Pencak** – See above information about Holiday Party
 - Conservation – **Bob Vierck**
 - No other stream projects are scheduled for this Fall
 - Sparrow Run – **Bob Vierck** has met with the land owner and will submit a grant for the project with Fish and Wildlife next Spring
 - Tree planting is planned for the Kissinger property next Spring
 - The equipment used at Fly Fishers Paradise needs to be winterized and stored for the winter.
 - **Ford Stryker** suggested purchase of a carport or pole barn. **Jim Lanning** suggested one or the other could be erected at the Spring Creek House
 - **Bob Vierck** suggested the rental of a 10 X 20 storage unit on the Benner Pike. Jim Lanning will research this option
 - **Ford Stryker** and **Bob Vierck** met with the facilitator of the Spring Township Coalition. When a plan is drafted it will be made available to the public
- Board Member Comments/Announcements/Concerns - None
- Meeting adjournment:
 - Adjourned by **Lynn Mitchell** at: 8:52pm
 - Motion: **Ford Stryker**
 - Second: **Bob Vierck**