

# Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 04/08/2019

6:00PM to 8:00PM

Reported by: Frances Stevenson

- Meeting called to order by **Lynn Mitchell** at 6:09PM
- Attendance: Lynn Mitchell, Jamie San Filippo, Jim Lanning, Mario Carrello, Ford Stryker, John Lynn Himes, Bob Whitlinger, Bob Sills, Fran Stevenson, Paula Sowers (guest for banquet discussion), Larry Ragan (guest for board membership consideration)
- Approval of March 2019 Board Minutes - **Fran Stevenson**
  - Amendments: None
  - Motion to approve: **Bob Sills**
  - Second: **Mario Carrello**
- Review of Treasurer's Report – **Mario Carrello**
  - March Results Reviewed and Explained
    - The checking account balance of \$32,625.68 includes proceeds from the banquet
      - There are still banquet expenses in the amount of \$7000.00 to be paid
      - Motion to approve purchase of \$9000.00 13 month CD at 2.40% from the checking account balance: **Mario Carrello**
        - Second by: **Ford Stryker**
    - The 13 Month CD maturing 5/16/19 will be discussed at Mays board meeting
      - It was noted that the chapter has estimated monthly expenses of \$2300.00
      - **Bob Vierck** will be consulted about future project expenses
    - **Paula Sowers** reminded board members that SCCTU should be receiving donations from Centre Gives held in May
    - A new 12 month fiscal year began on April 1, 2019
      - **Mario Carrello** stated that the budget for 4/1/2019 through 3/31/2020 was sent to all board members electronically for review
        - Motion to adopt the 2019-2020 budget: **Ford Stryker**
        - Second: **Jim Lanning**
  - Amendments: None
  - Motion to Approve March 2019 results: **Ford Stryker**
  - Second: **Jim Lanning**
- Action Items
  - Banquet details – **Ford Stryker**
    - **Paula Sowers** advised that there are still auction items stored at her house

- The agreements with Mt View for the banquets in 2020 and 2021 are available for **Lynn Mitchell** to sign
  - Option to sign agreement for 2022 banquet is also available
    - Motion to approve: **Ford Stryker**
    - Second: **Jim Lanning**
  - **Ford Stryker** stated that the dates for the next three banquets are the third Saturday in March
- Sparrow Run Project – Chapter participation in funding the project – **Ford Stryker**
  - The SCCTU 2016 strategic plan included approval to work on a project outside of the Spring Creek Watershed
  - Sparrow Run is a tributary of Bald Eagle Creek
  - This stream has a lot of sediment and will benefit from buffers and improvement
  - **Larry Ragan** asked if we consider projects outside of the Spring Creek Watershed should SCCTU consider specific criteria
    - **Ford Stryker** responded:
      - There should be open access
      - Catch and Release
      - Are there other organization looking at the project
      - Not be in area of another TU Chapter
      - Sparrow Run is in the Zip Code area of SCCTU
  - **Bob Sills** asked if the current owner and any future owners are required to provide public access and keep the area open
  - It was asked to allow SCCTU to solicit grants from NFWF, the Hamer Foundation and TU National. SCCTU would hold the grant and SCCTU will commit \$5000. NFWF will commit to in-kind work
    - **Ford Stryker** provided a cost estimate sheet for the project
    - **Ford Stryker** moved to authorize SCCTU officers to pursue grants and fund \$5000 to the project
    - Motion second: **James Lanning**
    - The board voted unanimously to accept the project
- Old Business
  - Lock combination to FFP Shed
    - **Jim Lanning** has learned how to change the combination
    - **Lynn Mitchell** will send out an email to learn who needs access to the shed and needs to know the new combination
  - UAJA Reuse Water – **Ford Stryker**
    - DEP is prepared to issue the new permit
    - SCCTU must respond by April 15<sup>th</sup> and issued a letter dated April 2<sup>nd</sup> to DEP – Letter is on file with the secretary

- UAJA has asked to release 3 million gallons a day into Kissenger Meadow
  - The permit allows for 2.1 million gallons a day
  - DEP will study the discharge for 2 years
  - **Bob Carline** advises that water temperature should be monitored
  - SCCTU will be part of the study and has asked that in lieu of applying a temperature limit to the discharge that they be an active participant in design and execution of the study plan and be able to review the draft study before it is made final
- New Business
  - **Jamie San Filippo** requested approval to purchase 200 nylon string back packs at a cost of \$250.00. These back packs would be distributed at events such as Stream Girls and Get Outdoors.
    - **Jim Lanning** moved to purchase 350 bags
    - Motion Second : **John Himes**
  - **Jamie San Filippo** announced the 2019 Brookies Camp will be held at the Sieg Center, in Lamar, the last week in July.
    - Volunteers are needed to work at stations teaching fly tying, casting and fishing from 4:00pm until dark
- Committee Reports
  - Women Anglers – **Fran Stevenson**
    - **Molly Zeigler** from Wynnewood House in Boalsburg called to say approximately 10 residents from Wynnewood House would like to fish for a few hours on May 26<sup>th</sup>. **Fran Stevenson** invited them to join with VSP at Fisherman’s Paradise. The Women Anglers will be asked to join VSP for that day to help the residents fish
  - VSP – **Jim Lanning**
    - **Joe Humphreys** has advised that the Duck Pond at Thompson Run project is not done and requires further work
    - It has been determined that the Spring, Summer and Fall 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday fishing events held at Fisherman’s Paradise will now be open to the public and an official notice will be placed in the newsletter
      - TU memberships and PA fishing licenses will only be purchased by SCCTU for veterans
  - Membership and PR – **Board Members**
    - **Lynn Mitchell** and **Larry Ragan** spoke at the Environmental Resources Class at Penn State. It was noted that this is a 400 level class
    - **Bob Whitlinger** advised that Wal Mart no longer sells the shirts used by TU. **Bob Sills** advised that any shirts in the future be given to Bob Whitlinger who will have them embroidered with the SCCTU logo
  - Social – **Mark Pencak** by **Lynn Mitchell**

- The September 2019 general meeting will be held on August 29<sup>th</sup> at Mt, Nittany Winery
- Annual Banquet – **Ford Stryker**
  - A listing of both Plus and Delta results from the banquet are attached
- Conservation – **Bob Vierck** by **Ford Stryker**
  - Spring Creek Clean Up is scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup>
    - Volunteers are still needed and an email will be sent out to the membership
    - It begins at 9:00am and areas for clean up include Rock Road, Kissenger Meadow and Mc Coy Dam
- Board Member Comments/Announcements/Concerns - None
- Meeting adjournment:
  - Adjourned by **Lynn Mitchell** at: 8:09pm
  - Motion: **Bob Sills**
  - Second: **Mario Carrello**