

# Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – February 9, 2022

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**Meeting called to order:** 7:08 PM via in person at Kim's Café in Carlisle and Zoom videoconference

**Members Present:** John Zazworsky (P), Justin Pittman (VP), Jeb Betar (T), Daryll Kuhn (S), Keith Tyler, Gary Leone, Johnathan Daniels, Tom Baltz, Garrett Kieffer, Eric Naguski

**Members Absent:** Bob Lipscomb, Dan Zazworsky, Neil Sunday, Ben Richwine, George Reilly

## **Officers Reports:**

**President, John Zazworsky:**

**1. January Board Meeting Minutes.** Submitted by email on January 13, 2022 (Leone/Baltz)

**2. January Treasurer's Report.** Submitted by email on February 2, 2022 (Baltz/Kieffer)

### **3. Recent requests for support**

**a. PA TU's Cold Water Conference** (Feb 25-26) is short of funding goal & asked all chapters to consider support. J. Zazworsky reached out to PATU; when they finally answered, they had received enough funds. No further action needed.

**b. International Federation of Fly Fishers donation or affiliate organization membership.** Recent email to CVTU included the attached files. According to the email, CVTU had been an affiliate member through 2020 (\$500 for our membership size). CVTU donated \$250 last year. Concerns were brought up by Betar and J. Zazworsky on the benefit of donations to the organization.

**c. Veterans Program** – asked if there were any guides that did veteran programs and the fly shops in the area made donations but nothing formal. It's different than Healing Waters and not Wounded Warriors.

**d. Perry County Youth Organization Event** - \$200 donation gets advertisement on the tshirts. We've supported in the past but they didn't have the event in the past couple/few years. Betar will put that in the proposed budget and will then be up for membership approval.

**e. TU Headwaters Youth Program** – this is a program for elementary age students. Take a look at the program and see if it's something we should support.

**4. Yellow Breeches Stream Restoration** – Every 2 weeks, Cumberland County Conservation District (CCCD) is hosting a site showing for interested people to view progress of stream work on the Allenberry stretch of the Yellow Breeches. First date was Friday January 28th; attended by Daniels, Leone, Sunday & Zazworsky. We should have board members at each showing until the spring phase work (upper half of the stretch) finishes in March. Late summer phase work (lower half of stretch) is planned for August time frame. J. Zazworsky mentioned that the work being done there is similar to projects that CVTU have done in the past. There is no obligation that they have to keep the water access along that stretch open to the public and we should keep an eye on that. Meetings are scheduled for every two weeks.

Yellow Breeches C&R Area Project Observations (Sunday):

On Friday, January 28, 2022 several members of the CVTU Board of Directors attended a walk-through of the Stream Improvement Project currently Underway in the Catch & Release area of the Yellow Breeches. We observed a number of well-placed enhancements which should stabilize banks, provide overhead cover, and increase stream flow in certain areas. We are excited to see the rest of this project, as currently it seems to be well planned and executed.

**5. Possible dam removal in Brandtsville** – At the stream restoration visit in 4. above, Andrew Jankowski, owner of property on south side of creek, approached board members and Lori Glace of CCCD for support in his desire to remove the dam. Glace will contact the dam removal section of PAFBC's Habitat Division (lead agency for dam removal) for guidance on how an individual or group requests approval for removal. There may be an additional dam downstream that could benefit from removal and Naguski mentioned that Jankowski owns both sides of the dam downstream. J. Zazworsky will mention it to Glace and will keep the board posted regarding the dam removal information as it becomes available.

**Vice President, Justin Pittman:** No Additional report

**Secretary, Daryll Kuhn:** No additional report

**Treasurer, Jeb Betar:** Games of chance permits will be done on an event basis since it's \$25 per each event vs the \$125 annual fee since we haven't been holding general membership meetings in person.

**Committee Reports:**

**6. Stream Access and Conservation Committee, Neil Sunday:** I did a site visit today to the catch and release area. They are almost down to the flat water. The levels were 350 CFS and 1.77 feet on the gauge. The features seem to work very nicely at this level. I did not see anything that would be disruptive or out of the normal in the way of stream restoration.

- **FITS (Sunday) –**
- **Mountain Creek Christmas trees project (Sunday/Pittman)** – Pittman and Sunday talked to PFBC regarding the project and they responded that the project is not worth the time and effort. They suggested larger scale project improvements for Mountain Creek. Conservancy said that they were okay with access to the property for the project. New Enterprise seems okay with their property as well and may be a possible donor of material. Baltz mentioned he sees this similar to the Big Spring project – getting a Request for Proposals and then work on grant money. Leone suggested that we take the older Mountain Creek study and give it to Andrew at PFBC to review and use it as a starter in getting some type of plan from PFBC.

\*\* Ask Sunday for permit approval updates on proposed projects – Mouth of the Letort...etc.

**7. Letort Projects:** J. Zazworsky drafted a proposed action plan based on the Letort Spring Run Cold Water Conservation Plan report, comments at the November membership meeting, and board member comments at the December board meeting. He just received feedback from Cumberland County Conservation District (Lori Glace) based on her experience in CCCD and on the report committee. Once these comments are incorporated, he'll circulate the draft for additional comments from CVTU board members and Letort Long Range Planning Committee members.

**8. Information and Education Committee, Keith Tyler:** Tyler recommended members go to the following links:

The Leaf Pack Network - <https://leafpacknetwork.org>

and

Monitor My Watershed - which has real time data on the LeTort (station is in LeTort Park)  
<https://monitormywatershed.org/tsv/SHVC1S/>

**9. Activities Committee, Dan Zazworsky:**

- Limestoner Committee planning update (Leone) – we're still scheduled for March 19 with 17 registered so far. The cutoff for the registrations would be March 12. The Carlisle Country Club said they will cater to 40 or more so more registrations are needed. Leone asked if Betar will check with the Carlisle Country Club in providing 6 easels for the event. Let Leone know if you dropped off something last year so they can track it.
- On line auction update (Kieffer) – we are still light on the number of items for both events. Open to ideas and items for both the Limestoner and Online auction. Leone said the collection of items is done via one group and then they'll split it up between the two

events. Might push back one week so it doesn't overlap with other local online auctions. Tentative date is March 27 2022 for the start of the auction.

Next meeting scheduled for February 23 2022

\*\*\*J. Zazworsky will send updated activities calendar or list of upcoming events.

#### **10. Membership Meetings (Kieffer).**

- February 2022 – Ben John – Steelhead Fishing and Lake Erie Trips
- March 2022 – Bill Anderson – Little J
- April 2022 - Evan Brant from Sidling Hill Hackle

General membership meetings from February thru May will be held at the Bosler Library (158 W High St) in Carlisle.

#### **11. Membership Committee, Mary Shughart:**

- Membership – Current membership stands at 614 (599 adult, 15 youth), a decrease of 4 over last month.

#### **Old Business:**

Tightlines – Zazworsky reviewed minutes and confirmed that Tightlines is now published electronically. The fall (Sep-Oct-Nov) issue was published in hardcopy & mailed to members to announce board member candidates & send out hardcopy ballots for board member elections. March-May edition is coming soon, so think of possible articles & photos now. We might want to plan for continuing hard copy Tightlines during the fall issues due to ballots/elections.

#### **New Business:**

**Next Board Meeting:** Wednesday March 9, 2022 in person and via Zoom.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:32 PM

**Submitted:** Daryll Kuhn, 3/7/2022