

Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2022

Meeting called to order: 7:22 PM In Person at Letort Park in Carlisle and via phone

Members Present: John Zazworsky (P), Jeb Betar (T), Daryll Kuhn (S), Garrett Kieffer, Neil Sunday, Eric Naguski, Tom Baltz, George Reilly

Members Absent: Justin Pittman (VP), Ben Richwine, Gary Leone, Bob Lipscomb, Jonathan Daniels, Keith Tyler

Officers Reports:

President, John Zazworsky:

- 1. June Board Meeting Minutes.** Submitted by email on July 3, 2022 (Sunday/Naguski)
- 2. June Treasurer's Report.** Submitted by email on July 2, 2022 (Naguski/Kuhn)
- 3. Barnitz Church Stream Improvement Project (Betar)** – Asking the Board to consider committing \$5,000 to the Barnitz Church Stream Improvement Project. The funds were donated by Jinn Park (\$2,500) and matched by his employer, The Neubauer Family Foundation. As of the June 2022 Monthly Treasurer's Report, the available operating funds for the Chapter was \$26,689. The commitment would reduce the available operating funds to \$21,689, more than enough to cover any new requirements. Betar made the motion and Reilly second the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion to commit \$5,000 to the Barnitz Church Stream Improvement Project.
- 4. Bosler "Intro to Fly Fishing Program"** – Presentation was prepared for June 18th and volunteers ready to present, but no one showed up. Library not sure why no one showed up. Daniels has ready-made Power Point available for future use.



Vice President, Justin Pittman: No additional report

Secretary, Daryll Kuhn: No additional report

Treasurer, Jeb Betar: No additional report

Committee Reports:

- 5. Stream Access and Conservation Committee, Neil Sunday:**

- **FITS (Sunday)** – more to follow on FITS events
- **Barnitz Project Update** – John Leonard applied for 2 grants: Embrace a Stream (\$10,000) and South Mountain Partnership (\$20,000); Albright working on permits so it looks like the project will probably start in 2023
- **Trego’s Meadow, Letort Spring Run -**
 - Original emphasis was Trego’s Meadow from Bonney Brook Bridge to the upstream CVTU property marker.
 - PFBC indicated the displacement of water above the banks onto the land fluctuates because of in-stream growth and sediment that reduces the depth of the actual channel.
 - By using a series of log and mud sills at certain places, along with current deflectors, the PFBC hopes to establish a channel approximately 8 to 12 feet wide that could flow cleanly and remove sediment.
 - PFBC acknowledged our efforts to continue “maintenance” of channel.
 - Concerns:
 - PFBC has concerns regarding DEP approval of using machinery and the degradation of wetlands.
 - Also, PFBC stated that further inquiries as to whether they are able to bring in equipment and move in-stream instead of along the banks (wetlands) to minimize impact.
 - Access via Dr. Burkett’s residence was discussed.
 - Estimated Project Date: end of 2023, 2024 most likely.
 - PFBC states they would rather do a project design closer to date of actual project starting because of the length of time and things could change.
- **Brandtsville Dam & Letort Trego’s Meadow site visit by PA F&BC on June 30** – PFBC was not very warm to any projected work at this site. They were more concerned with who owns the dam, and who placed very large boulders on the south bank of the stream. PFBC warned of DEP potentially assessing a fine to whoever placed rocks at dam if done without appropriate permits. PFBC needs more information regarding this project before attempting to proceed.
- **Riparian Zone Projects:**
 - Wittlinger Preserve: See link to draft plan PDF by Wildlands Conservancy below. CVTU invited to partner with SM Twp on development and implementation going forward.
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 - Wittlinger Planting
Draft Map Wildlands (
 - Letort Properties. See next step options list by Ben Mummert. Intentions to plan fall work event to complement Last Supper. Daniels will coordinate with Pittman.
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 - Letort Properties To
Do List Mummert.PDF



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- Mountain Creek – Last meeting notes: Meeting with Ahlstrom-Munkjo corporation seems next step to secure their official permission and hopefully financial contribution in support of project. We should prepare for a presentation to them.

6. Information and Education Committee, Keith Tyler: In an excerpt from PA Trout for Spring 2022, CVTU was thanked (along with Doc Fritchey Chapter) for helping support Sportsmen Hill Day.

"Advocacy Report: – Submitted by J. Orr-Greene and E. Baldauf. Sportsmen Hill Day was successful in Harrisburg. Cast & Blast at Harrisburg Hunter's & Anglers Association had 12 legislators attended. Those we spoke with thought the event was productive. Thank you to Doc Fritchey and Cumberland Valley chapters for supporting."

7. Activities Committee, Vacant:

2022 Activities Calendar (remaining events)

- August 20: Family Picnic; Coordinator: Betar
- September 10: Last Supper; Coordinator: Pittman
- October 15: Spring Creek date; Coordinator: J. Zazworsky

Tentative Events:

- PAFF Museum Events –the fall banquet is scheduled for November 5 at the Mason's Lodge on the Holly Pike
- Thursday evenings in September (8th-29th) w/ Saturday field trips: (See flyer on Daniels 7/13/22 email to board)
 - Bosler Life Long Learning Series of programs on Water Resources, Management and Conservation (History of Letort and local waters, Stream Ecology and Watersheds, Water Infrastructure and Human Development, Recreation and Conservation) In development. Collaboration with Bosler Library, CCCD, PSU Watershed Stewards, LRA, CCWA, YBWA, Carlisle Summerfair, ALLARM at Dickinson, etc.

8. Membership Meetings (Kieffer) - Garrett Kieffer (Daniels has confirmed reservations of Bosler Conference room for remaining general meetings)

- July 20, 2022 – Sean Holsinger - Fishing Bob's Creek, Yellow Creek, Frankstown branch of the Juniata, with an emphasis on euro nymphing
- August 20, 2022 – Family Picnic at Carlisle Fish and Game
- September 21, 2022 - Bill Anderson - Little Juniata
- October 19, 2022 - Ben Hayes - A Century of Stream Restoration

- November 16, 2022 – Annual Financial update; Russ Collins – Climate Change; Jimmy O’Connor (PATU Regional VP for South Central PA & Muddy Creek chapter President) will attend
- December 2022 – No Meeting

9. Membership Committee, Mary Shughart:

- Membership – Current membership stands at 635 (623 adult, 12 youth), a decrease of 4 since last month.

Old Business:

New Business:

10. Cumberland Conservation Collaborative meeting July 18 - need CVTU rep to attend

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday August 10, 2022 in person and via Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:02 PM

Submitted: Daryll Kuhn, 7/14/2022