# Cumberland Valley Trout Unlimited, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – December 13, 2023

**Meeting called to order:** 7:00 PM via in person at Cal's Hope in Mt. Holly Springs and via video teleconference

**Members Present:** John Zazworsky (P), Jeb Betar (T), Jonathan Daniels (VP), Zoe Metro, Gary Leone, Tom Baltz, Ben Mummert, David Bowerman, Robert Bergamaschi, Neil Sunday, Justin Pittman, Bonnie Golla

**Guest:** Herman Makosky

Members Absent: Daryll Kuhn (S), Eric Naguski, Chad Greenlee,

#### **Officers Reports:**

# President, John Zazworsky:

- 1. November Board Meeting Minutes Submitted by email on November 22, 2023
- 2. November Treasurer's Report Submitted by email on December 2, 2023
- 3. Advocacy (Route 74 Warehouse and Landisburg)

Zazworsky brought up communications that he has had with landowner Bill Sloss, owner of property at 203 Laurel Run Rd, near Landisburg in Perry County who has complained to local authorities about stormwater runoff on his land. Mr. Sloss was seeking help from CVTU but there is little that the chapter can do. Zazworsky said that he has informed PATU. Zazworsky also brought up concerns about a new warehouse project near Route 74 behind Baker's Diner and its effect on Dogwood Run. Sunday said that CVTU should keep an eye on it. Naguski will draft a letter raising concerns to Carroll Township.

4. **PA Association of School Boards "Lunch and Learn"** – Dates available are 4/24, 5/29 and 6/25. Daniels suggested that Fall might be a better time for the chapter to provide volunteers. Zazworsky said that he would get back to the organization.

Vice President, Jonathan Daniels: No additional report

Secretary, Daryll Kuhn: No additional report

**Treasurer, Jeb Betar:** Betar still has an unused TCO gift card, and maybe it could be used for the Limestoner. Pittman and Sunday will follow up.

#### **Committee Reports:**

# 4. Stream Access and Conservation Committee (Neil Sunday):

- Active spawning is taking place on the Letort.
- The Letort Falls project is on hold as 7 landowners/stakeholders do not want to sign off on it yet. Zazworsky said that he would contact Dave Stone. The project will be tabled for now with a possibility for 2025.
- Leone brought up the fact that the new sign for the Barnitz Church project naming donors
  omitted Precision Fly and Tackle. In response to questions, Daniels said that the sign costs
  \$700 and has already been started. Pittman expressed his frustration about the omission
  but did not want the chapter to waste money having the sign re-done; however, he warned
  that it has implications for donors to the Limestoner and how they would be recognized.

## 5. Information and Education Committee (Robert Bergamaschi):

• Bergamaschi will now chair this committee.

# 6. Activities Committee (Justin Pittman):

- Going into 2024 CVTU should focus on activities; Pittman suggested that the board members look at the Doc Fritchey Chapter's social media for ideas of what CVTU could do.
- Daniels reported that the advertisement for the Fly Tying Class was published in the Savings Guide.

#### 7. Membership Meetings (Jonathan Daniels):

- CVTU Typical Annual Activities and Annual Planning Cycle documents, previously sent by email from Zazworsky, sparked a discussion about ideas for upcoming membership meetings.
- Some speakers have been tapped for 2024, including Josh Miller with the USA Youth Fly Fishing Team for January 2024.
- There will no longer be a zoom option for membership meetings; they will all be "in person." Speakers should also be in person; Baltz said, if chapter was paying them.

#### 8. Membership Committee, Vacant:

• Current membership 572 (564 adult, 8 youth), decrease of 2 since last month.

## **Old Business:**

# 9. Limestoner and Fishing Tournament (Pittman):

- Committee met on December 13 prior to CVTU Board Meeting. The Board voted to approve the name "Limestoner Spring Fly Fling" as the official name of the April 20 fishing event and banquet.
- The CVTU Board voted to approach Domenick Swentosky of the website <u>Troutbitten</u> as their first choice for recipient of the Rising Trout award

# **New Business:**

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 in person at Cal's Hope and via Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:53 PM

Submitted: David Bowerman, 1/2/2024