

OIL CREEK CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED
Minutes of the Board of Directors and Membership Meeting
January 16, 2019/ King's Family Restaurant, Franklin, PA

CALL TO ORDER: 6:32 PM Gary Ross, President

ROLL CALL: **Officers:** President Gary Ross, Treasurer Dan Rockwell, Secretary Vaughn MacGregor.

Directors: Jennifer Lyons, Jason Rockwell, Julie Settle, Tom Young.

Members/guests: Nick DelVecchio, Stephanie DelVecchio, Tim Hummel, Mark Kerr WCO, Adrienne Lyons.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD and MEMBERSHIP MEETING

* MOTION to approve December meeting minutes: By Tom Young; 2nd Jason Rockwell.
Vote – Approved.

ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION LIST: Please list any Chapter Activities you have participated in since the last meeting. Note them on tonight's Attendance Sheet beside your name.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Treasurer's Report -- Dan Rockwell:

Beginning balance: \$12,735.87 **Total deposits:** \$0.11 **Total expenses:** \$813.09
Ending Balance: \$11,922.29

*MOTION to approve officers' reports: By Tom Young; 2nd Jennifer Lyons.
Vote – Approved.

PROJECT REPORTS

Banquet 2019: – Tom Young: Copies of the banquet announcement were passed around. We have 150 announcements and 75 solicitation letters. Tickets will be done by Best Printing. Arrangements have been made with the Quality Inn. The Games of Chance License will be scheduled for March 15th.

Youth Education/Scholarships -- Suzan Senko/Jennifer Lyons: We received information about the Conservation Leadership School. Jennifer Lyons will send information to a teacher at Rocky Grove.

Venango County Conservation District: – Tim Hummel: The grant application was sent in for a comprehensive conservation plan for Benninghof Run, a tributary to Oil Creek.

They are planning electro-shocking on Pithole Creek.

Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission -- Mark Kerr: Venango Coon & Fox Club did the work on the pond. We provided a donation for it. Some students will set fence posts around the pond.

Stocking schedules are available, but the in-season stocking schedule is not complete yet.

Some timber cutters were provided education about conservation.

OLD BUSINESS – Dan Rockwell and Tom Young did a presentation to the Sandy Creek Conservancy on our chapter's purpose, activities, history, Trout In The Classroom, etc. The members voted on serving as a location for our next Veterans' Service Program activity. We can use the facility. They offered two dates in June: the 22nd or the 29th. We decided the 29th would be best.

The South Sandy Conservancy had also asked about a Delayed Harvest Area on Sandy Creek. Access may be problematic.

NEW BUSINESS – Nick Delvecchio discussed the Fly Fishing Film Tour, sponsored by Back Country Hunters & Anglers, scheduled for the 31st at the Barrow-Civic Theater. We discussed the possibility of having an informational table. UPDATE: We will not have a display table there.

NEW BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR – Vaughn MacGregor noted that National TU has requested that chapters involved in the Veterans' Service Program have a coordinator for the program so there will be a contact person for National to provide information or assistance when needed. Gary Ross agreed to be the coordinator.

“Thanks for Being Present, You Win” Drawing (\$25 gift card):
Name drawn: Nick DelVecchio

Motion to adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by President Gary Ross.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.