

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

CALL TO ORDER: 6:36 PM Gary Ross, President

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

Directors: Joe Lehosky, Jennifer Lyons, Suzan Senko, Julie Settle

Members/guests: Kathy Conrad, Nick DelVecchio, Mark Feringer, Tim Hummel – VCD, Mark Kerr WCO, Al Rickerson, John Terejko, Elaine Young.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD and MEMBERSHIP MEETING

* MOTION to approve meeting minutes for September 2019: By Joe Lehosky;
2nd Julie Settle 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

President's Report: Gary Ross: 1. We have a request for assistance with equipment from the Titusville Trout In The Classroom class.
2. We will be electing officers next month. Jennifer Lyons will run for Chapter President.

Treasurer's Report -- Dan Rockwell:

Beginning balance: \$14,391.15 **Total deposits:** \$0.12 **Total expenses:** \$362.59

Ending Balance: \$14,028.68

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

PROJECT REPORTS

Banquet 2020 – Tom Young: Nobody has yet to step forward and chair it after this year, so this will probably be our last one. Plans for the upcoming one are progressing smoothly.

As part of the discussion, Nick DelVecchio stated he would like to take a bigger role in planning the banquet. He would like to do this gradually, rather than all at once.

Dirt & Gravel Roads – Tom Young/Dan Rockwell: Annual meeting to disburse the fund for submitted projects is scheduled for Nov. 7th at 10:00 AM at Dawndi's.

Trout In The Classroom – Gary Ross/Tim Hummel: There was a discussion about rainbow trout only being used in TIC and the various reasons for this.

Venango County Conservation District: – Tim Hummel: There is a Greenway Block Grant. Stream bank stabilization is planned on Sugar Creek at Wyattville where a levy is failing. Also planned is habitat improvement on East Branch of Sugar Creek. They will try for another grant for Benninghoff Run.

Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission -- Mark Kerr: PFBC will also be attending the Dirt & Gravel Roads meeting on November 7th. Of concern are improvements to Fisherman's Cove Road in Victory Township.

Brian Ensign is finishing work on Pithole Creek.

They are doing walleye work on the Allegheny River.

OLD BUSINESS – Chapter elections will be held at the November meeting. Jennifer Lyons will run for president.

Last meeting, Dan Rockwell brought up that we have 5-\$15 gift cards left over from the VSP program in June. Discussion held to determine what chapter wants to do with them, discussed giving them out at OCTU Christmas party or at the banquet as prizes.

*MOTION Suzan Senko will purchase five \$15 gift cards from the chapter: By Dan Rockwell; 2nd Julie Settle. Vote – Approved.

NEW BUSINESS –

New Business From The Floor – Nick DelVecchio raised the topic of possibly getting help for float box stocking in the Spring. This would be preferable to putting large numbers of trout in just a relatively few places.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.