

**OIL CREEK CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors and Membership Meeting**  
**November 20, 2019/ King's Family Restaurant, Franklin, PA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:46 PM Gary Ross, President

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

**Directors:** Jennifer Lyons, Jason Rockwell, Suzan Senko, Julie Settle, Tom Young

**Members/guests:** Kathy Conrad, Nick DelVecchio, Mark Ferringer, Tim Hummel – VCD, Mark Kerr WCO, Adrienne Lyons, John Terejko, Bradley Thompson, Julie Thompson, Elaine Young.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD and MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

\* MOTION to approve meeting minutes for October 2019: By Julie Settle;  
2<sup>nd</sup> Dan 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**

**President's Report:** Gary Ross: 1. Our guests tonight were Bradley and Julie Thompson. Bradley would like to join our chapter and we provided application information.  
2. Gary Ross noted that it would be easier if the chapter secretary would send the minutes and other information to Rob Woods to be posted on the chapter website, rather than the President sending them. Vaughn MacGregor will contact Rob Woods.

**Treasurer's Report** -- Dan Rockwell:

**Beginning balance:** \$14,391.15 **Total deposits:** \$75.24 **Total expenses:** \$414.34

**Ending Balance:** \$14,052.05

Dan stated that the bank will start charging \$3 for a paper statement instead of an electronic one. It was agreed that it would be easier to continue to receive the paper statements.

\*MOTION to approve officers' reports: By Tom Young; 2<sup>nd</sup> Suzan Senko.  
Vote – Approved.

## **PROJECT REPORTS**

**Banquet 2020** – Tom Young: Nick DelVecchio has agreed to take over chairing our annual banquet, beginning 2021. The Chapter has given him their full support, and I look forward to working with him during this transition. Banquet 2020 will be out 37<sup>th</sup>. John Terejko made a donation and Joe Lehosky has purchased some things.

**Dirt & Gravel Roads** – Tom Young/Dan Rockwell: Dan Rockwell, Mark Kerr, and I recently attended the annual meeting of this committee at Dawndi's restaurant. We approved spending of all the monies allocated for this year and needed to ask for a number of requests to be resubmitted next year, as this has become a very popular program in our county.

**Trout In The Classroom** – Gary Ross/Tim Hummel: Mark Kerr will help with the TIC program. Mark Ferringer reported that his fish are doing well, with some losses.

**Venango County Conservation District:** – Tim Hummel: Grants were approved for East Branch Sugar Creek and Sugar Creek for stream bank stabilization and habitat improvement.

Most Growing Greener grants are now being assigned to the Chesapeake Bay.

Money has been allocated for chemical analysis on Bullion Run. A big project is planned for there.

**Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission** -- Mark Kerr: 1. Justus Lake was stocked on November 6<sup>th</sup>.  
2. Stocking list for Spring 2020 will be available within a month.

**OLD BUSINESS** – . OCTU's annual Christmas dinner will be held at Dawndi's Restaurant, upstairs, on December 18. Social hour will start at 5:00 PM. Everyone should bring a \$15-\$20 gift and tag whether it is for a man, woman or either.

## **NEW BUSINESS** –

**Annual Meeting and Chapter Elections:** Chapter Officers were scheduled for election this meeting. However, it was pointed out that we have 4 Board of Directors' terms expiring in November 2020 and 2 Directors' terms ending in 2021. Oil Creek's By-laws state that directors are to be elected for a term of 3 years and the terms are to be staggered.

Jennifer Lyons was nominated for Chapter President. Gary Ross was nominated to serve in her Board of Directors position.

\*MOTION: Nominate current officers and candidate for President.  
By Tom Young; 2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Settle. Vote – Approved unanimously

Nick DelVecchio was nominated to a director's position to replace Jason Rockwell.

To resolve the issue of directors' terms not being spaced equally, numbers 1,2 or 3 were drawn for each current director or candidate. This gave us 3 sets of two directors, each serving a three year term, staggered over 3 years.

\*MOTION: That we vote in the slate of candidates for officers and the board of directors By Regis Senko; 2<sup>nd</sup> Suzan Senko. Vote – Approved unanimously.

As of Nov. 14, 2018, officers/directors and next election dates are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Up For Election</u>
<b><u>President</u></b> Jennifer Lyons	11/21
<b><u>Vice President</u></b> Regis Senko	11/21
<b><u>Secretary</u></b> Vaughn MacGregor	11/21
<b><u>Treasurer</u></b> Dan Rockwell	11/21
<b><u>Board Members:</u></b>	
Joseph Lehosky	11/22
Tom Young	11/22
Suzan Senko	11/21
Nick DelVecchio	11/21
Julie Settle	11/20
Gary Ross	11/20

We currently have 6 members of the board of directors. Next year two directors' terms will expire.

**New Business From The Floor** -- Nick DelVecchio stated the Fly Fishing Film Tour is being scheduled again this winter. Showing is planned for March 28.

Nick DelVecchio has a very fine, in-depth article on acid mine drainage published in the Fall 2019 issue of Trout magazine. He wrote this with some input from Amy Wolfe, Director of the Northeast Habitat Program for TU. If you haven't read it yet, you really should.

**"Thanks for Being Present, You Win" Drawing** (\$25 gift card):

Name drawn: Mark Ferringer There were also two gift cards for \$12.50 each which were drawn. Names drawn: Gary Ross and Suzan Senko.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.