



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – April 12, 2017

The April 2017 Board of Directors (BoD) meeting of the Collegiate Peaks Chapter of Trout Unlimited (CPC) was held at Mt. Shavano Manor meeting room, Salida, CO on April 12, 2017. Keith Krebs opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Board Member Attendees:

Officers: Keith Krebs, Blake Fanning, Jerry Wright, Tom Arnot

Board Members: Eric Heltzel, Fred Rasmussen, Gene Milus, Larry Payne

The minimum number of board members was in attendance to constitute a quorum.

Other attendees: Norm Lastovica, Jim Impara, Rick Helmick

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes from the February 8, 2017 BoD Meeting were emailed to the BoD by Tom Arnot for review prior to the meeting.
- b. The March 2017 Treasurer's Reports were emailed to the BoD by Jerry Wright for review prior to the meeting.
 - Fred Rasmussen motioned that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion was seconded by Larry Payne and passed without dissent.

2. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

- a. Vote on retention of Bill Dvorak on CPC-TU Board of Directors
 - Some members expressed concern about how Director Bill Dvorak's recent legal troubles may reflect negatively on CPC. A discussion followed with various points of view expressed.
 - Fred Rasmussen motioned that Bill Dvorak be retained as a Director. The motion was seconded by Larry Payne and passed by a 6-2 vote.
- b. Change all BoD meeting start times to 6:30 pm
 - BoD agreed to change meeting start time to 6:30 pm for all BoD meetings only.
- c. Encourage Pam Simpson to join the BoD
- d. HB 17-1321 for sustainable funding for CPW is in the state Senate and Keith Krebs would like to write a letter of support. Bill would increase resident and non-resident license fees and reinstate the Senior License. A motion was made and seconded to approve a letter of support from CPC to the state legislators.

3. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- a. April 21st-23rd at Keystone Resort – CTU Rendezvous
 - First time attendees can get a scholarship from CPC. Blake Fanning, Fred Rasmussen and Keith Krebs are all planning to attend.

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- b. April 22nd – Earth Day at Riverside Park, Salida. See Eric Heltzel to participate.
 - Parade is at 9:00. Eric Heltzel has trout costume and will be in the parade.
 - CPC booth manned from 9 am to 1 pm in Riverside Park. Norm Lastovica will man booth from 10 to 1 – need someone to be there from 9 – 10 during the parade.
- c. April 28-29th in Scottsdale, Arizona – TU Western Regional Rendezvous
 - Fred Rasmussen noted that this used to be run by the regions, but is now operated by NTU and is less effective. No known attendees from our chapter.
- d. April 28th, May 5th, May 12th and May 19th - Salida Stream Explorers
 - Salida event is adequately staffed
 - Buena Vista event will need volunteers – Dates to be determined. Email blast will go out when dates are established.
- e. May 5th & 6th, Friday and Saturday at Chaffee County Fairgrounds – CPC Caddis Banquet
 - Setup on Friday starting at 9:30 am.
- f. May 15th? – Greenback Recovery Partnership Meeting - **TBD**
 - Keith will send out email when date is determined
- g. May 16th – FlyGals Casting Clinic at Mt. Ouray SWA
 - Stuart Andrews will lead the clinic.
- h. May 20th Spring Clean-up - Highway 285
 - Jim Impara is coordinating. This will be the only cleanup for the year. Email blast will go out soon.
- i. May 23rd Buena Vista Conservation Camp – **Volunteers Needed, see Keith**

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Letter of Support for Bill Hadley regarding Spinney Reservoir Trout Population
 - Chapter member Bill Hadley wants to complain to Aurora Water about fluctuating water levels in Spinney Reservoir and has requested a letter of support from CPC.
 - Discussion points raised by BoD included that were that Aurora Water is very inflexible and it would be a waste of time. BoD decided against providing a letter of support.
- b. Membership Committee will assign two new member names to each Director for personal contact in an effort to slow down membership churn.
- c. Joint Event with Elevation Beer and CPC "Friendraiser", September 16th (Sat.)
 - Possibly hold an ELC promotion at Elevation Beer Co prior to our big meeting at SteamPlant in September.
 - Jerry Wright will ask Hubbub/Soulcraft Brewing about donating beer to the big meeting.
 - Fred Rasmussen commented that NTU may not approve of a chapter promotional event being held at a facility that serves alcohol. Larry Payne agreed.
 - Discuss further at future BoD meeting.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. CTU River Conservation and Fly Fishing Camp – CPC-TU Funded all (4) Applicants this year
 - 2 applicants from BV, 1 from Leadville and 1 from Hartsel. Blake Fanning will get names to Fred for inclusion in chapter newsletter.
- b. Funding sources for ELC:
 - GOCO Grant – **Included in "Inspire" grant GARNA Application; Amount TBD**
 - CCC submitted grant application from information provided by Keith Krebs.
 - Audubon Society Grant – **Who?**
 - Fred Rasmussen will call Andrew Mackie and investigate how to apply for Audubon Grant.
 - Second Submission for TU Embrace-a-Stream Grant – **Keith Krebs and Tom Arnot**
 - Tom Arnot noted that the EAS Grant criteria requires a final report on any previous EAS Grant prior to new application being submitted. Criteria also states that EAS grants are not intended to be used as a source for continual project funding.
 - Keith Krebs said he will ask for a waiver from these requirements.
 - State Historic Fund Grant for Barn-to-Classroom – **Keith and Nicole of SCC applying in October**
 - 25% matching grant program, to refurbish existing barn on project site. Chapter would need to match this portion of any grant.
 - Norm Lastovica noted that there is a building in Howard being restored under this program. Need to have an architect involved and it is a very restrictive process.
 - Keith Krebs noted that an architect has already been engaged for this project and has been generated a report, but Keith has not seen it yet. Keith agreed that it is a long, hard, detailed process.
 - Cannabis Business Contribution(s)? – **Who? How? When?**
 - Eric Heltzel will visit local cannabis retailers and talk to them about contributing.
 - CCC Grant Funding – **Andrew Mackie**
 - Andrew Mackie, CCC, would like to continue the restoration work downstream from ELC site. It is not engineered yet but the plan is to have it designed, bid and shovel-ready by early next year.
 - Caddis Festival Fundraising for ELC
 - Per Keith Krebs, there will be an informational station for ELC at the Festival. An announcement will be made about the project and referring people to the website, but no donations will be accepted at the Festival. He feels that there is limited donation money available and he does not want to take away from the bidding on other items. The chapter website is currently set up to accept donations for ELC.
- c. Status of Badger Basin Conservation Project with CMC - Unchanged
 - Project is not well organized at this time. Need to remove old fence and install new fence. Cannot do the work without Agency cooperation which is not easy.
- d. Investigate new Conservation Project: Re-visit Kerber Creek
 - Jason Willis to contact Carol Edrington – may require heavy machinery.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- a. Membership Report by Bill Perrill (as emailed)
 - Since the March report we have 6 new members that joined in late March or early April.
 - 5 members transferred into our chapter since the last report.
 - 15 members were dropped from the master roster for failing to renew. Their memberships expired in December or January. Depending on who renews, 6 members whose membership expired in February may be dropped next month.
 - We currently have 259 memberships, which includes 3 businesses. Last month there were 262 total memberships.
 - Of the current memberships, 17 are family memberships.
- b. Volunteers Report by Ann Klaiman (not provided)
- c. Communications Report by Tom Palka (as emailed)

7. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

- a. Rick Helmick brought up the possibility of a fencing project on land owned by Jeff Pridemore just downstream from Stone Bridge. Cows on the property regularly get past existing fencing and into the river. Jim Impara noted that he knows the landowner, having hunted on his property before, and would discuss it with him.

8. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm by acclamation.