

BOARD of DIRECTORS MINUTES



Date: February 10, 2021

Board Present: Larry Payne, Karen Dils, Keith Krebs, Rick Helmick, Pam Simpson, Gene Milus, Kim LeTourneau, Jim McGannon, Eric Heltzel, Bill Dvorak

GUESTS: Tom Palka, Jerry Wright

1. MEMBERSHIP

- a. Membership hovers around 300+. NTU had a little glitch with new software but now updates membership list every 2 weeks.
- b. Our email readership rate good. Lots of non-members get our newsletter and blast to around 400 people

2. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- a. CTU Gala: Virtual meeting in March. We are donating \$750.
- b. Stream Explorers – Was cut short due to COVID, but Leadville got completed. Teen summit online thru CTU.
- c. BV Middle School Conservation Camp – 5/25 all day – Keith will head but need volunteers. Jerry and Jim Impara will volunteer.
- d. No fin clipping this year per our new CPW biologist, Alex Townsend.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Riverwatch sampling – Eric & Keith continue to do this on the South Arkansas. They would like more volunteers. The new biologist listed experience with Riverwatch.
- b. Volunteers will be encouraged to donate their own flies in a fly box for one kid. We previously approved getting boxes. Larry, Tom P, and Gene will research what type. Jim Impara made labels for them and also has some flies.
- c. Scholarships – 2 senior scholarship recipients.
- d. Mono tube collection tubes at Sands and Franz lakes--Franz is good but Sands is still a problem. So much use. Could we get some of our teens to clean those once a week? Tom P. will ask Henry to reach out to other teens. Girls Scouts empty the ones at Cottonwood Lake. We have 1 at Chalk Lake as does CPW. Jerry is doing a lot of this.
- e. Fishing Derbies for 2021 and new coordinator for BV will be Bill Dvorak!
- f. South Arkansas Stream Health report – put in newsletter and on website.
- g. Jim McGannon and Keith Krebs will review our presiden'ts job description. It's good to know who the future leaders will be similar to Rotary's succession plan. We just need to delegate more perhaps.
- h. Funding Update:
 - 1) Conditions on Rutherford \$20K donation – only for stream restoration/enhancement. In Coldwater fund account. Could be used as seed money for matching grants. Another \$5K in there.
 - 2) Colorado Gives – Received \$1,600 - \$300 to go to the Fred Rasmussen Scholarship Fund. Donors have been thanked.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Review; discuss; approve proposed 2021-2022 Chapter budget as provided by the Budget committee.
 - 1) Pam will sign us up for a zoom account for a year.
 - 2) She will add a category under communications put zoom and Internet.
 - 3) Keep all operational costs separate from fundraising (solicitation, thank you's).

Pam to send the revised budget by email with a deadline to approve.

4) What fundraising do we want to do in 2021? **Delay until next meeting**

b. Projects/events this year?

1) Jason Willis on mining reclamation. Rick will contact Jason.

2) Tim Flagler – Rick will follow up.

3) What is happening locally? CTF, RAC, Recreation in Balance, Bull Moose, Hayden, Decker collaboration. CPW biologist, AHRA,

4) Other chapter online Facebook events?

c. Train issues – Tom will post our position letter on website. Kind of on hold now.

d. Tie a thon – Delay discussion.

e. Stormwater update – Tom Palka is keeping us in touch with this below F St. bridge.

f. CWCB grant \$200K to study Chalk, Cottonwood, & South Arkansas. UAWC

g. Tom may change some emails on our website to have them less hacked

5. Adjourned at 9:26 PM.