



## East Yellowstone Chapter of Trout Unlimited

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### *Meeting Minutes –March 14, 2013*

**Attendance:** Andy Caraveau, George Simonton; Jim & Diane Blakeslee; Tim Wade; Larry & Maxine Thomas; Ray Zubik; Judy & Bob Capron; Steve Yekel; Duane Feick; Birney Holberg; Travis Duncan; Gregg & Jane Bierei; Tommy Thopson; Lorna Anderson; Dave Crowther; Lew & Ellie Wiser; Jason Burkhardt; Jon Hammari; Karla & Frank Bird.

#### **Introductions:**

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by President Greg B. @ 6:29 pm. Birney Moved. Bob C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Minutes approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurers report was reviewed and approved. Dave moved to approve. Bob C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Minutes approved.

**Old Business:** No old business

#### **Committee Updates:**



##### **--Conservation--**—Bob C.—

- Approved walkway over Greybull R. at the Sunshine Diversion. Need to schedule work days. Assemble 28<sup>th</sup> of March & Set Friday 29<sup>th</sup> of March. Paint on the March 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Dirt moving on Franc Fork Infiltration Gallery (Pseudo Fish screen). Should be deep in the process next week.



##### **--Fundraising Committee Volunteers--**—Co-Chairs George S. and Laura L.

- Met w/ Tommy & Dave working with state to figure out how to raise funds. Want to ensure that not competing for funds.
- Katherine from Nature Conservancy about River Fest. Don't want to compete with them on raising funds.



##### **--Web Master--**—Lorna—N/A

- Lorna put on a new page for youth, highlighting things we do for teens and youth. There is information about the youth program "Stream Explorers". There is a "teen" Facebook page link that can also be found. Send any photos you have.



##### **Membership Craig Sax:**

- 197 members. If you have any names pass them on to Craig



##### **Newsletter: N/A**



##### **Virtual Fly Box and Summer Fishing Days--**

- Any ideas on fly patterns, Duane is still interested in putting together a publication showing popular patterns of the area.



##### **Save the Yellowstone Cutthroat Dave Sweet--**

- In the process of fundraising, hoping to raise \$75,000.
- Will be in Billings for the Big Expo, expecting to receive a nice donation
- Kalispell, MT coming up to raise money
- If you have contributed to the SYC campaign will receive a letter and other information regarding the campaign and additional funds

- If donated more than \$400 you will be assigned a “Judas” fish and will be able to track a fish throughout its movement in Yellowstone Lake.

### **New Business:**



Cody River Fest-River Days, August 24<sup>th</sup>.

- EYTU was asked to help fund TU Nationals “Stream Explorers” kids newsletter/ pamphlet. TU National will feature Northwest Wyoming and EYTU in the edition just in time for the River Days Festival. Nature Conservancy will put up @2,000 if EYTU puts up \$2,000. Frank Bird has pledged \$500 towards the expenditures. **IS ANYONE ELSE INTERESTED IN MAKING A PLEDGE/DONATION?**
- Tim W. moved to pledge a maximum of \$2,000. Duane motioned to have some editorial review within the process. George 2<sup>nd</sup> motion.



“Casting for Recovery”—

- .Do we want to make a donation or sponsor an individual to participate at the summery CFR retreat in Dubois? .
- Dave motioned to pledge \$1,000 to sponsor a person from the State of Wyoming. Diane B. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motioned approved.



River Cleanup—

- Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 am. Meet at the Belfry Bridge. For more information contact Steve Yekel. Need 4-5 ground crews and some shuttle crews. Need help!



Kids Fishing Day—June 1st.

- Ray Zubik has stepped aside for this year because he will be out of town. Birney Holberg will be project coordinator this year.
- Dave motioned for a \$100 to buy supplies Birney and Ray need to outfit with prizes. Jason B. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.



Fly Casting Clinic—June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am at the Rec Center

- EYTU and North Fork Anglers, Greg Bierei is the volunteer coordination this year.
- Working w/ Doyle Stout and Tim Wade. 2 Sessions. 2 Classes per session, 10 people per class. Youth under 18 eligible to win fly rod



Feely Gravel Pit (Big Horn Redi-Mix?) convert to Yellowstone Cutthroat pond. 100-250 ac-ft. storage, need to build dam. WG&F contracted with Dowl HKM out of Lander for feasibility study. WG&F is looking for funding. Steve Yekel has been the lead for G&F.

### **Other Business:**



**Board Meeting**—Discuss coming year projects/expenditures/strategies—March 11, 2013. (see board meeting minutes)



Doc Moore: EYTU donated a rod for the Beast Feast raffle off for people who sign up for new membership. Can we provide another rod for “Pole Star” Banquet? Saturday Night March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 pm. Dinner will be @ 5:00 pm.



**Adjourn Meeting** President move to adjourn meeting @7:22. Birney 2nd Meeting adjourned.



**Program:** Ray Zubik, “Shoshone National Forest Fisheries Program”

**Next Meeting April 11, 2013 – No program scheduled .....Any ideas?**

**THANKS TO ALL WHO VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR EYTU**