

Minutes of TBF of CT Monthly Meeting held March 15, 2012

Minutes were passed as written. (motion by J. Sherman; second by G. Kurensky).

Treasurer's Report: Rich Suhie came in with a proposal to have a book-keeper he knows to do the audits. (for the last 3 years). It will cost us \$75. A motion was made by J. Sherman; second by P. Harrison - motion passed.

Jim Canning has found another State Sponsor for \$1,000. With this we will be able to finish paying Jim back for the new scale set-up.

Youth: We have 7 members in the Junior club... more may be joining. Mass is running a High School Tournament to qualify a team to go to the High School championship. It is scheduled for Webster Lake in Ma. - if they get more than 14 boats they will move it to the Connecticut River.

Tournament Director: Connecticut River Opens are on June 3rd out of Riverside Park - Hartford. July 22nd out of Haddam. Applications are online.

Jeff and Keith have followed up membership leads from the Fishing Show with e-mails and calls.

Jeff will need deposit clips and summery sheets for the 2012 Tournament Trail.

State Team - Keith Cleary was voted Team Captain. Fred is looking to get Lowrance team Bios filled out.

A motion was made by J. Sherman to accept the committee reports; second by J. Marks - motion passed.

Old Business:

The Website is now linked to face book.... Go to ct-tbf.com and *like us*. Pat Harrison requested to discontinue the message board.

We will have a table at Cabela's on April 14 & 15th. We are still looking for members to volunteer to man the table. If you work you can get the vendor discount on any purchases you make.

New Business:

Len Suzio State Senator has proposed SB#5 - to get rid of the progressive tax - hidden gas tax. Call you Senators to get them to vote yes on this bill. For more info go to senatorsuzio.com

Keith and Patrick are looking for roster lists.

Work on Lilly's ramp is scheduled to start this fall.

DEP Rules changes:

Stripper: you cannot use gaffs on inland waters.

Kids under 16 can use up to 6 tip ups.

TBF members: Berkley has four different periods thru the year to get discounted prices from their online stores. There are various discounts offered and they have a series of fishing classes *Faculty of Fishing*... Some are free some cost ...

National TBF is offering a Dream Team Tournament- they are looking for States to hold tournaments with 25 teams with an entry fee of \$200. They currently require membership to National TBF - but not the State TBF. One of the 25 go on to a National Tournament and there is a 3 place payout. We will be getting more info how it works from the Nationals.

A Very warm heart felt *Thank You* goes out to Jim Canning for his tireless work to get State Sponsors.

A motion was made to allot up to \$100 to postage to send out reminders of our upcoming Opens. This passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Perry TBF of CT Secretary

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