# CBN

# Meeting Minutes

August 23, 2017

1. Call to order

Vinny Mucci called to order the regular meeting of the CBN at 7:05 on August 23, 2017 at Tackle Supply Depot.

1. Roll call

Susan Dumas conducted a roll call.

Missing Club Reps: CT Bassmen, CT Valley, Team Skeeter

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from last meeting posted to the website, there was no Board of Directors Meeting.

1. Communications:
2. 2 Day – get apps in quickly and in need of co-anglers.
3. Vice President – Mike Billings – Nothing to Report
4. Treasurer’s Report – Mark Levesque –Not Present
5. Secretary’s Report – Sue Dumas – Nothing to Report
6. Conservation Report: Deane Rustic – As Reported:

Information from this past Month –

1. CT Conservation Advisory Council (CCAC) Meeting
	1. Special Meeting hosted by CBN
	2. Vote was made and passed to support the Trout & Salmon Stamp
2. Fisheries Advisory Council
	1. No Meeting – E-mail to support Trout & Salmon Stamp sent with the main idea :
	2. 1. The FAC strongly supports the proposed regulation to adopt a Trout Stamp and Salmon Stamp and has worked with the Department in the early conceptual stages of developing the regulation. We had previously testified in favor of the 2016 legislation which authorized the Trout Stamp. The revenues from the two stamps are estimated by DEEP to generate approximately $300,000 in much needed funds for the State’s hatchery system, which is devoted primarily to raising salmon and trout. Raising additional revenue is critical to maintaining a quality recreational fishing opportunity in the future for a significant number of the approximately 160,000 (Tony will need to double check) recreational fishing license holders who acquired licenses to allow them to fish in inland waters in 2016. The Department estimates that 60,000 anglers would purchase the Trout Stamp and 2,000-3,000 anglers would purchase the Salmon Stamp. One option to raise the needed revenues favored by some was to simply raise the existing general license fee for all those fishing in inland waters, but the FAC concluded that approach would unfairly burden freshwater anglers who target species other than trout and salmon, such as smallmouth bass largemouth bass, sunfish, etc.
3. SCORP
	1. No meeting
4. DEEP Items
	1. Meeting set with Ed Machowski of the DEEP to review locations for Fish Cities on Lilly
	2. West Hill Pond – Dam needs work – 5 foot draw down by October 1.
5. NRD Grant
	1. We have Lake Lillinonah left to do. The lake will be getting 7 fish cities and will need to be done on 2 separate days. We will also need 12 Volunteers to help with delivery of the bases and structures from Plantsville, CT
	2. The current planed dates are as follows:
		1. Sunday October 8th – First Installs on Lake Lillinonah – 4 fish cities
		2. Saturday October 14th – Second day of installs on Lake Lillinonah – 3 fish cities
	3. I will want to have a full list of volunteers signed up by September 1. If we do not, I will not have MossBack release the order.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Rustic

Conservation Director

Spot treatment suggested as alternative to full-on application of copper sulfate

West Hill Pond – Dam needs work – Has a GoFundMe page – as of tonight have $2900.00 – Need $30,000

NRD Grant -Volunteers for Lake Lillinonah Fish City Placement. Only have twelve so far – John Piscioniere to send a few 10 for the 8th and 12 for the 10th– and Vinny also has a couple of people.

Chest waders would be helpful

Pontoon boat project waiting on motor – should be the 8th of September

Sylvia to release monies to support feeding volunteers, and other incidentals – wait until 1st of sept to take it out – hold back 5 grand for the ongoing study

1. Tournament Report – Vinny Mucci
2. Mr. Bass Winners:
	1. Angler: Abe Kalechman
	2. Co-Angler – Mike Billings
3. Pairing for the Classic is available online
4. Received email regarding parking for the tournament, there cannot be any single vehicle parking at the steel bridge if you are a contestant of the tournament. Suggested parking at the commuter lot nearby and commuting together.
5. 10/01 – Scholarship – Candlewood
6. High School/Youth Report – John Piscioniere
7. Trail is over for this year, thank you to all boat captains, standing will be announced next week.
8. Please provide feedback on how to make the tournaments better, suggestions on how to run trailers more productively, boat captain compensation, options for weigh-in process to make it run smoother, such as 2 flights. Boat captains who may have had something broken by the team member – reimbursement suggestions of other suggestions needed.
9. 4 kids will be volunteering for 2 day
10. Katie D Golf Tournament – In the past they have donated $2000.00 each year for the Youth Program. Motioned to have the CBN to be a GOLD sponsor for 500.00. Motion seconded and passed.
11. Membership Report – Paul Dingee

 a) There is a breakdown in communication, Paul not receiving membership info requests from Vinny. Vinny suggested Paul send new members 2 or 3 club options.

1. Sponsorship – Vinny Mucci

Triton Boat Leads grown to 22. We will be getting a check of $5,000.

1. Banquet – Sylvia Morris

November 11th –

Still need sponsors and Prizes for the banquet, John Piscioniere will coordinate the High School Team awards.

1. State Team Report – Sylvia Morris
2. Still working on houses. Have found an area with two large houses with enough room for all the boats but it is 25-30 minute ride from the lake (Winyah Bay, SC). The costs are high as it will be peak season – (the third week in June 2018) so selection is limited. The cost is about $6,000.00. The closer option was $11,000.
3. Scholarship Report – Dave Santos
4. Robert Malloy Scholarship - Will start to reach out in November – Jason will be handling the applications with Ryan Malloy. Will have more information next month.
5. No Audit
6. No Budget
7. Old Business
8. Vinny – No Nominations for Tournament Director so will not be choosing a Tournament Director next month.
9. Vinny – Need to vote on reimbursement of state team member for expenses occurred while participating on the State Team, and/or vote on disciplinary action based on violation of contract. The member in question left the state team event before the final weigh-in. Discussion followed on the contract terms. Motioned, seconded and passed to reimburse member as the contract did not specifically outline consequences of contract violation. Motion made to review the State Team contract to clarify disciplinary measures and/or reimbursement in the case of violation. Motion seconded, motion passed.
10. Excused Absences- Extreme Bassmasters
11. New business
12. Vinny – Boat Captains still needed for September 19th at Riverside Park in Harford for the Veterans Tournament. Contact Joe Kowalski or Al Guite. Need to be there at 6;30 am. Still need 7-8 boats.
13. Dean Rustic - Mohawk Valley – In need of more members and need a tournament director. In addition, there are two members that want to fish the 2-day, however due to clerical error, the dues were not posted in time and they were not put on the roster. The members paid the dues, and have participated in tournaments, but because of the clerical error are not eligible to fish the 2-day, and missed the 120-day rule. Motion to allow them to fish the 2-day as it was the clerical error of the club, seconded and passed.
14. Sylvia Morris – Suggested the CBN join the Youth to upgrade the Katie D Golf Tournament Sponsorship to the Platinum Level at $1,000.00. Motioned, seconded and passed.
15. The By Law & Tournament Rules Committee met prior to the CBN Meeting. All committee, club or individual by-law proposals are due into the CBN President, Vinny Mucci by the September CBN Meeting, Sept 27th. They will be printed up and passed out at the Oct. CBN meeting, taken back to the clubs for review, discussed at the Nov. meeting and voted on at the Dec. meeting.
16. Adjournment

Vinny Mucci adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm.

Minutes submitted by: Susan Dumas

Minutes approved by: [Name]