

**TFC Board Teleconference Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, Feb 2, 2016**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Call In No. 1-712-775-7031 - Access code is 240-610-191**

**Board members in attendance on conference call:** Gary Belk, President; Paul Grossnickle, Vice President; Theresa Pugh, Treasurer; Fred Crane, Stu Knapp, Dennis Sheeran, Members-at-large;. **Missing:** Keola Lobato

**Call to Order:** Gary called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:** Prior to the Feb 2 meeting, Keola Lobato, Secretary, submitted the minutes from the Aug 20 meeting which were approved with changes – A note in the minutes section that was described in the subsequent paragraph was stricken, a name of an owner who was assessed a fine was changed to “a member” and the date in the footer of the minutes was corrected to read Aug 20. Paul motioned to accept the minutes with changes and Dennis seconded; motion passed.

Minutes of the October 27 meeting were submitted by Theresa, filling in for Keola. Dennis moved they be approved as written, Fred seconded, and motion passed.

3. Treasurer’s Report – Theresa reported the balance in our treasury was \$8,989.12 as of Dec 31, 2015 and \$8,900.71 as of Jan 2016. One thing to note is that the insurance company refunded half of the premium we paid for our 2-year D&O policy. Although the policy will keep the same rate for 2 years, they cannot collect for both years at the same time. We need to come up with our budget for 2016. Board members should think about it and we will work on it at the next month at meeting. Gary wants us to consider purchasing more sinking aeration hose so the lines stay down in the pond. Dennis moved to accept the report, Paul seconded and the motion passed.

4. Pond Status – Dennis can see from the Stagestop Store that at least 3 holes are open in ice so the aeration system is working. Gary will try to get over to check the aerators. We still have 7 gallons of dye to help inhibit weed growth. We may need some more of the biological digester treatment. Gary has some nets and would like to try to net carp while they move into corners to spawn. Jeremy Liley of Liley Fisheries suggested we may want to put in some browns. He thinks the trout we usually get to put into the pond are big enough that they should not be eaten by browns; instead the browns would eat the small suckers. Gary will get more information on browns.

5. Patrolling – We received no bill for 2015 – Park County was too short on help to patrol for us. Gary has not talked to Frank Connor – we may want to just try to go it with our own club members. Keola gave magnets for affixing to side of vehicle while patrolling to Dennis. Board members who get out to the ponds frequently have done a lot for enforcement.

6. Fish Stocking – Paul ordered brown trout for 2016 to put into the stream. We need to develop a budget so he knows how much to order for each stocking.

We discussed the merits of ordering some browns for the big pond. Dennis suggested we stock 50 browns in the big pond at beginning of year. Gary has talked to Liley Fisheries about the possibility of electroshocking the big pond. The process would allow for the capture of suckers and to get a count of how many trout are in the pond. It would cost in the \$1000 range. We may want to put in 50 browns as well as continue use of traps and try nets. The big pond should clear up after big suckers are gone. If we put browns in the big pond, we will need to educate people that browns should be released.

We may be able to get Cutbows for stocking this year. Paul will get information on cost and availability for the Feb 23 meeting.

7. Old Business – The TFC Picnic was discussed briefly. Do we need to change date, sponsor a different event? It was decided we should table discussion until the annual meeting. A suggestion made last year to build a shelter at the pond was brought up. Gary does not think that this is really a responsibility or mission of the fishing club. He was going to speak to LPROA President about the suggestion.

8. New Business –

9. Next meeting – Feb. 23, 7 p.m.

10. Adjourn - Dennis moved to adjourn, Theresa seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.