

Winchester Trout Unlimited

(June 2, 2022)

The meeting was called to order by Gene Lewis, President, at 7:05 pm in Rachel's Kitchen meeting room of the Shenandoah Lodge at Lake Frederick with 12 members and 3 guests in attendance.

Guest Speaker -We did not have a guest speaker at this meeting

Treasurer's report- Dave Juth reported that the Chapter has a balance as of 1 June 2022 of 9,252.74.

Trout in the Classroom- Gene reported that most of the teachers responsible for the 16 tanks that were started in the fall released their fish on their own this year due to the difficulty of scheduling buses for transportation to the Red Bud release site. Two teachers were able arrange transportation and they had a successful fish release as well as loads of fun in the water. Thanks to Dave for trimming grass to create a lane and path to the stream as well as Bill, Bud, and Mark for helping on the release day.

Project Healing Waters-Wayne and Mark recently attended a Community Engagement forum at Shenandoah University for area veterans. The gathering brought together social service organizations from the Winchester area that can aid in helping vets. Wayne also attended a VA Regional outing of 12 vets and 12 volunteers fishing on Back Creek. It was sponsored by Dominion Energy who completely outfitted each vet with all the flyfishing equipment needed. The next outing for the Winchester Chapter of PHW will be at the Leetown Hatchery on 15 June 2022.

Redbud Run Restoration-Bud reported that the next workday will be on Saturday 6/4 at 9am.

Fairfax Soil and Water Conservation District-Bud reports that the district which includes Frederick, Clark, Warren, and Shenandoah counties has been awarded over \$8 million of cost sharing monies to aid farmers fence livestock out of streams. If anyone knows of landowners who could benefit from this program, please inform Bud.

Redbud section of DWR-There are several reports circulating that this section of Redbud is being turned over to the Winchester Battlefield Association for management purposes. There are concerns among members that this precious water shed not be opened to the public for fishing. Mark will function as our contact point to work with DWR and the Battlefield Association in order to pass along our concerns.

Bar Fly-

The next Barfly is scheduled for 7:00pm Wednesday 6/8 at the Escutcheon Brewery in Winchester, VA.

Future Meetings and dinner

Our next meeting is scheduled for 7:00pm June 2, 2022, in the lower level of the Shenandoah Lodge at Lake Frederick. For those who wish to eat dinner in the Lodge prior to the meeting, 5:15 pm reservations should be made through Wayne White 703-919-2952.

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:00 pm.

Submitted by:

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