Board Minutes Rocky Mountain Flycasters November 7, 2012

The meeting was called to order by President Dick Jefferies, with Lee Evans, David Piske, Jerry Pelis, Cullen Emsing, Paul Wehr, and Stephanie Mullins attending.

President's comments consisted of showing photos of a 38" brown pulled from the Miracle Mile by a person in another party. Looked like a king salmon, and generated lots of conversation. (See below.)

We discussed Guest Night and tried to assign help for Stephanie. Logistics were discussed, with two tables set up, one for new members and one for regular members. We hoped that if we charged \$20 for new membership, brochure, decal, patch and 5 raffle tickets, we would not have to worry as much about change. Board members all declared willingness to help, except for Lee who was going to be fishing the Bighorn all that week.

The minutes as corrected, the treasurer's report, and the agenda were approved after pulling two items. We discussed the Conservation Fund and Paul agreed it should read \$4000, but he hadn't done the paper transfer yet. We also noted the carry over amount was \$9,967 which was a good way to start the new fiscal year.

We all agreed that Sean's article for The Poudre Runs Through It Study/Action Group was well written and accurately depicted our hopes and vision.

Dick brought us up to date on the High Park Restoration Coalition (HPRC). He got an opportunity to take a helicopter flight over the burn area and reported the varying levels of intensity of the fire. Some will do well if seeded and mulch, others will need much further attention to begin the restoration. Dave talked about his crew and the work they did, and noted that the Wildland Restoration Volunteers (WRV) needed money, and would speak more of that in new business. Both suggested we need a 501(c)3 agency to administrate the entire restoration, especially if the water utilities are going to become more involved. Dick expected this to develop over the next few weeks.

The cane rod purchase was tabled.

We talked of the Joint Operation Plan to keep mininum flows and what would happen if the erosion from the burn areas kept that from happening. How would we work with the ditch companies in these unusual circumstances? Discussion is continuing.



Monster Brown on the Miracle Mile on the N Platte.

photo by D Jefferies Dick reported the new pipeline of the Greeley Water Utility is commencing and because of its closeness to the stream bed through Lions' Park, the ditch company is stabilizing the streambank, and creating an even better fishery through that region. We felt that was good, and should be publically noted to cause some positive public relations regarding the pipeline.

WRV needs money and has acquired a little less than \$100,000 to use as matching funds, or as a challenge fund, to help raise more money at their fund raiser later in the month. Paul moved and Lee seconded that we send \$1000 plus \$500 more as incentive to others, for a total of \$1500 from our treasurery. The motion passed.

The holiday party was discussed and will be much like last year's. To encourage more online tickets purchases, we decided to go with \$15 online and \$20 at the door. Lee and Stephanie will meet with CB & Potts to establish the menu. We looked at last year's notes to help decide what we could do this year to improve the night. We will raffle a rod, two fly trees, and have the white elephant gift exchange. An email blast will go out the first week of December.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Evans, Substitute Secretary