Overmountain Chapter Trout Unlimited

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Minutes of meeting held at Poblanos 7/14/2026

PRESIDING: Rhett Morris, President

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rhett Morris, Rick Elliott, Philip Tipton, Evan McDougall, Sam Henry, Michael Fick, Nicole Fick, Vickie Ketron

OTHER PEOPLE PRESENT:

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by R. Morris. Agenda reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS

Previous Meeting Notes: Approved - Yes Motioned: R. Elliott
Second: E. McDougall

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NEW BUSINESS

Financial Report:

OMTU Financial Report

June 2026

TROUT UNLIMITED OVER MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

$	11,752.05	Starting Balance (Bank of TN)
$	51,348.63	Starting Balance (Edward Jones)
$	63,100.68	Starting balance as of 6-01-2026
$	9,987.87	Ending Balance (Bank of TN)
$	51,515.44	Ending Balance (Edward Jones)
$	61,503.31	Ending balance as of 6-30-2026

DEPOSITS

$	166.81	Dividend (Edward Jones)
$	0.43	Interest (Bank of Tennessee)
$	500.00	Tennessee Tri-Fly
$	667.24	Total Deposits

EXPENSES

$	(20.47)	Business Registration
$	(891.00)	Data plans for temperature guages
$	(500.00)	Prizes for Youth Outdoor Adventure Day
$	(216.00)	Post Office Box
$	(497.14)	Picnic
$	(140.00)	Gift Memberships
$	(2,264.61)	Total Expenses

AVAILABLE BALANCE AFTER COMMITMENTS

$ 43,888.26

OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS

$	(2,136.00)	TIC
$	(857.65)	DRIFT
$	(402.50)	Gift Memberships
$	(100.00)	sign board updates
$	(500.00)	small display board for pint nights, etc.
$	(263.44)	Materials for level sensors
$	(250.00)	CleanMyWater Initiative
$	(172.10)	Fly tying vices & tools
$	(181.05)	Cases for fly tying materials
$	(312.98)	Regional Rendezvous reimbursement
$	(75.00)	Chili Cook-off supplies
$	(250.00)	Iron Fly
$	(500.00)	Kid's Fishing Day - David Crockett Birthplace
$	(43.90)	Meet the Mountains
$	(740.10)	Meeting Room Rental (Food City)
$	(1,500.00)	Raffle Ticket Sales
$	(2,200.00)	Storage Unit
$	(1,500.00)	Tailwater Roundup Food
$	(1,500.00)	Thirsty Orange
$	(100.00)	Todd Burleson Cleanup prizes
$	(550.00)	Trout Camp - kid to camp
$	(500.00)	Watauga Riverkeeper
$	(52.42)	Website - calendar
$	(17.95)	Website - domain
$	(630.72)	Website - web services ($630.72 - odd years only)
$	(154.24)	Women's Clinic
$	(2,125.00)	ETSU Marketing Plan
$	(17,615.05)	Total Commitments

Approval:
1st P. Tipton
2nd S. Henry

Board Members on Bank of TN account:** Ryan Turgeon, Rhett Morris, Philip Tipton, Rick Elliott, and Evan McDougall**

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Membership Update (V. Ketron): N/A

- New: 12
- Renewed: 15
- Set to Expire: 8
- **Total: 268**

Fishing Days/Pint Nights (Evan):

- Dates are scheduled on OMTU web calendar and Facebook.
- Saturday fishing days continues to engage with members of OMTU.
- We continue to see younger anglers attending.
- Fishing Days are on the 1st Saturday of each month with an 8AM starting time.
    - Blue Lines Fishing Days will go on all summer.
    - Good turnout for these events.
- ETSU Marketing was given the check to start marketing campaigns.
- Next Fly-Tying social will be at Six and Grist in Kingsport. Date TBA

Women's Initiative (Rhett/Nicole):

- Need: Waders/Boots

Volunteer Hours

- Please send volunteer hours to Rick Elliott.
- OMTU Board Members are now using Clockify to submit their hours.

TIC (Michael):

- On Summer Break

TN Counsel Meeting

- Grant Writing meeting is being held this evening
- Grant Committee Meeting will be held on July 14th
- Next Council Meeting is August 25th

Pictures of OMTU Events

- If you have any pictures of OMTU events, please send them to Rhett Morris or Evan McDougall at the email listed above.

Member Meetings

- August – Jim Habera
- September – Matt Kulp
- October – Michael Freake
- November – Iron Fly
- December – No Meeting

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Tri Fly Donation

- We received all the checks from Tri-Fly

Spending Vote - N/A
Approved

ACTION ITEMS INITIATED

ITEM	WHO	DUE	DONE
New Banner Display Designed	P. Tipton	10/2026	
Last Instrument Installation	R. Turgeon	10/2026	

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM. Motioned by: P. Tipton 2nd: R. Elliott

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