

TBF of CT Monthly Meeting Minutes

5:58 pm April 27th, 2026

Present were : BioBass, South East, Northern and Fishing Crew

Minutes from the last meeting were read and accepted by all present.

Treasures Report: All accounts are in good shape. As of April 27th checking balance \$4,255.79 and Saving Balance \$3006.68. Total all funds \$7, 262.47.

Trail Report: First event (4/26/26 on Candlewood Lake) 14 boaters, 6 non boaters. Boater Ryan Kusmit had the winning weight, 22.18lbs with a 6.14 kicker largemouth. Non-Boater Mike Talaga won with a weight of 7.10 lbs. Non-Boater Jordan Banik had lunker with a 3.55 lbs smallmouth. Next event Trail #2, Lake Zoar on 05/17/2026.

Opens Report:

1st Open on Candlewood Lake, March 29th, **5** boats, winning weight was 19.59 lbs.

2nd open on Candlewood Lake, April 19th, **7** boats, winning weight was 24.60 lbs.

3rd open on Lake Lillinonah May 3rd, **10** boats, winning weight was 16.74.

Opens attendance increasing very slowly.

Old Business:

1. Membership still an issue. Approximately 37 members at this time.
2. Amy to continue looking into flags for new sponsors, Nitro Boats and Discount Tackle.
3. NSF Qualifier discount codes for Humminbird and Minnkota received. THMarine discount purchases to be handled by Lee Tracy.

4. Standing rules section of bylaws reviewed, discussed and changes agreed to by attending membership. All ByLaws changes, updates and housekeeping agreed to and completed. Final version of bylaws to be given to each club president for review by their club members. Final vote to be held at the June meeting.

5. Plainville Public Library TBF meeting dates extended to 5/11, 6/22 and 7/27.

New Business:

1. TBF National requires members sign up for upcoming year by September of the previous year, but we (CT-TBF) have not been able to persuade members to do so. Discussed late fee for persons applying for membership after undetermined cut off date. Possibly \$25.00, but discussion tabled, further discussion at upcoming meetings.

2. Old weigh in bags leaking badly. Discussed possible purchase of new weigh bags and new weigh scale bags prior to NSF. Looking at \$500 limit for 24 weigh bags. Jim Johnson to do research and present for next meeting.

3. Jim Johnson to travel to Clayton on 5/7 to check on reserving rooms and launch.

7:00 pm Submitted Respectfully, Jim Johnson TBF of CT Presiden