



## ***Audubon Beekeepers Association Meeting Minutes***

February 11, 2019

### **I. Call to order, Welcome to New Members and Guests, and Prayer**

Larry Stone called to order the regular meeting of the Audubon Beekeepers Association at 7:03 PM on February 11, 2019 at the Henderson County Co-op Extension Expo Center 3341 Zion Road in Henderson, KY 42420. We had several guests, including David and Sally Kelley's grandson, Andrew. Larry Stone led our prayer.

### **II. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The minutes from last month's meeting were approved.

### **III. Treasurer's Report**

Jan outlined our current treasury. Beginning Treasury balance \$9344.05 Ending Treasury balance: \$9353.05 Annual dues were received of \$140.00. Bee School pre-registration added: \$270.00 Expenses for Bee School expense and KSBA Dues were \$401.00. Motion was made and seconded to approve the totals as submitted.

### **IV. Old Business**

- a) Membership dues should have been paid by December. \$20.00/family. Please get a membership form from Jan. The form and dues may be mailed to: Jan Powell 8965 BF Overfield Rd. Corydon, KY 42406
- b) Feed your hives as needed during breaks in the weather. Make sure your hives have some ventilation to keep the condensation down. Queens are beginning to lay now. Think about introducing some bee pollen to your sugar patty. Roy likes to use Ultra Bee. L.V. uses Soy Flour.
- c) If possible, now is the time to treat your hives with Oxalic Acid on days that the bees are flying. Also be thinking about what Varroa mite treatments you want to use later this Spring when honey supers are on.
- d) Beekeepers of Southwest Indiana will meet the third Thursday of each month (next meeting: February 21). 6-8 PM Vincennes University Gibson Center 8100 US Hwy 41 North Fort Branch, IN Guest Speaker will be Larry Stone, discussing 2<sup>nd</sup> year beekeeping. A question and answer session will follow the presentation. [https://www.facebook.com/pg/Beekeepers.of.SWIN/community/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/Beekeepers.of.SWIN/community/?ref=page_internal)
- e) Please see Rita if you need to order a club shirt. Your cost: \$5.00

### **V. New Business**

- a) 2019 Bee School is March 2<sup>nd</sup>, in three weeks. We hope you will attend and volunteer to help with set-up, registration and tear-down. Help getting the word out is appreciated. If you help with set-up, registration, Bee School tear-down, etc. your Bee School admission will be free. To be entered into door prize drawings, you must pay Bee School admission. Contact Larry or Rita to get on the sign-up sheets to help with Bee School 2019. Door prize this year is again a hive with bees!
- b) Larry Stone will be a guest on WSON 96.5 February 13 at 8 AM to generate publicity for Bee School.
- c) If anyone needs a table to sell honey or other items, please contact Larry. Tables are free for members
- d) If you order from area vendors you can have your purchases brought to school. Order early to insure there is room on the trucks.

## VI. Education

- a) If you need queens now is the time to order. Curtis Simpson (270-313-2819) will have some April 18<sup>th</sup>. Cost: \$30.00. He will also have some that he and Tiphani have bred which should be available in mid to late May. If you are interested, please get in touch with him as soon as possible.
- b) Larry presented a slide show on 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Beekeeping. Very informative!
- c) If you plan on ordering Nucs it is best to get the order in soon. Roy Lynch will be selling some nucs. 812-215-6898 Earl Schnell 812-598-9162 also plans to see some and Curtis Simpson 270-313-2819 will have some available.
- d) Now is the time for equipment maintenance and painting.
- e) We have two members selling equipment and supplies so think about checking with them when you need beekeeping items. Curtis Simpson 270.313.2819 Earl Schnell 812.598.9162

### Save the date

- a) March 2, 2019 Audubon Beekeepers Bee School <http://www.audubonbeekeepersassociation.com> **A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers. Contact Larry to be added.**
- b) March 9 Bluegrass-Frankfort at KY State University
- c) March 23 Ohio County Beekeepers
- d) Graves County-Kent Williams Apiary Field Workshop, April 11-13
- e) Field Day: D & M Honey Farm 1220 Legion Mills Road Carrier Mills, IL on May 25, 2019. Their phone: (618) 841-6593
- f) HAS-Bowling Green July 8-10th

## VII. Adjournment

Larry Stone adjourned the meeting after motion made and seconded.

Minutes submitted by: Diane Fisher

Thanks to Roy Lynch, Lauren Norvell and Cathy Cure for this evening's refreshments and to Jim and Sue Love and ?? for this evenings door prizes which were won by Tom Sanderson & Earl Schnell. A big thanks to all who help with refreshments and door prizes.

**Next meeting:** 03/11/19 **Refreshments:** Earl & Carol Schnell, Rob & Linda Geiss

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<http://www.audubonbeekeepersassociation.com> Email: [audubonbeekeepersclub@gmail.com](mailto:audubonbeekeepersclub@gmail.com)

**Please feel free to Contact Larry Stone, President for club information 270-339-7245**