# **Mid-York Beekeepers' Association**

**Meeting Minutes** 

April 9, 2019

# Minutes adopted on 5/13/2019

# Opening

The regular meeting of the Mid-York Beekeepers' Association was called to order at 7:30pm on April 9, 2019 at the Cornell Extension Center of Oneida County, Oriskany NY by President Ken Boyce.

# Attendance

Regular Club Meeting; 47 members and 6 non-members attended

# Approval of Minutes

With no additions or changes to the March 12, 2019 minutes, motion to dispense reading of minutes and adopt as filed was made by: Bob Faulkner. Second by Robin Cadwell. Motion carried.

# **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer's Report was presented by Mike Martino. Bank balance as of bank statement for March 2019: \$8,802.72 plus \$95.00 cash on hand. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report by Bob Faulkner; Second by Mark Peters. Motion carried.

# **Board of Directors Report**

Bylaws was presented to the members of the Club. With two minor corrections brought up by John Ferguson, motion to approve Bylaws was made by Larry Giglio; Second by Mark Peters. Motion carried. Bylaws adopted.

#### **Presidents' Remarks:**

The club will not be returning to the Turning Stone Home Show next year. Poor attendance and participation were partly to blame.

The Cornell Co-op has made direct contact that we are not allowed to store anything within the building/classroom. The coffee bin will now be the responsibility of the immediate past President, Dwayne Schieferstine. He'll also be in-charge of the set-up for each club meeting.

#### **Old Business/Open Issues**

- 1. Observation hive: a sign-up sheet was passed around regarding maintenance for observation hive. The Cornell Ext. moved their anticipated date of student field trips to the Co-op beginning April 25<sup>th</sup>. After a lengthy discussion about the new date, Mike Johnston will continue with the installation of a nuc with the original May 1st date.
  - a. Dwayne Schieferstine volunteered to restore/refurbish observation hive
  - b. Mike Johnston will supply 3 frames of brood with queen for observation hive
- 2. Outside hive: Bob Faulkner and Mark Peters will make a determination on the condition of this hive and make recommendations on its usefulness.
- 3. Saturday volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around for outside hive maintenance. There are a number of available openings for Saturday volunteers.

#### **New Business**

- 1. AFB Program: Ken was contacted by Joan Mahoney, the secretary of the Long Island Beekeepers Club and currently working with the NYS Agriculture and Market. She is "filling in" for Paul Cappy who recently retired. She wanted to know if two members of the club would want to participate in the AFB Recognition Training. There is a \$2,000 stipend that will go to the club upon completion of the course. To be held at the Rochester Bee Wellness HQ.
  - a. Ken will call for additional information on the program requirements and responsibilities. Motion was made by Don to proceed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Giglio. Motion carried.
- 2. Federal tax ID #. Mike Martino is to contact the club bank and find out if there's an existing EIN number applied to the account. If not, the club will need to seek a Federal tax ID #. To be reported back at the May meeting.
- 3. Events Planner It was suggested that Tom Goebel (past secretary) be the events planner in contacting guest speakers for our meetings. After some discussion, this was tabled for the May meeting.

# Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Carol Lasicki. Second by Gary Sprague. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Carol Lasicki

This month's Education April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting: 7:00 – 7:30 was Mike Johnston's presentation on deadouts

#### Upcoming meetings/events:

May 31, 2019 Farm Fest 2019 – Oneida County Brabant Farms, 6166 Happy Valley Road, Verona 13478 June meeting will be held at Mike Martino's bee yard

June Herb and Flower Festival

Education July meeting - Larry Giglio's presentation on Ross Rounds

August meeting is the annual picnic at the Cornell Ext. pavilion – weather permitting. Otherwise it will be held in the classroom.