

MINUTES OF PBA MEETING 8 January 2026

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VFW HALL, LUFKIN, TX

I. PBA President Ricky Davis called meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Pledge of Allegiance, Ricky lead Grace. Welcome new guests. 23 signed the register

II. Mike Hartman, Treasurer Report: \$11,172.44 balance. Mike reminded everyone that dues are due: \$15 for year, \$20 for mailed newsletters.

III. Roger Gauthier, Apiary Manager: Managing 5 hives presently, plans to increase hives in the spring to at least 8 hives. 2 of the new members asked if they would be for sale.

IV. NOTE: Jason Jones is selling his beekeeping equipment, 936-414-1882

V. Rachel Payne, Bee School: 21 and 28 February at AgriLife Building, not VFW. Address: 2201 S Medford Dr. Lufkin, TX 75901, with 5 enrolled, assigning topics to instructors. More instructors are needed for school.

VI. Jane Clark introduced Narroa treatment for Varroa mites, we can view on YouTube. Works for 18 weeks by sterilizing mites to break the reproductive cycle. Mann Lake sells for about \$22 treatment per hive.

VII. Susan Precup, Program Coordinator open discussion on 2026 program. Many suggestions were made; Susan will review and schedule events and speakers. Door Prizes/Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned