

PBA MEETING: 9/9/2021

LUFKIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

I. PBA President Karen Mitchell called meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Pledge of Allegiance. Welcomed members and guests, Richard and Jana Wiley. 17 people signed the register.

II. Treasurer Report: Treasurer report given by Terry McFall. Balance as of 8/31/21: \$9019.63.

III. Apiary Report: Jesus Vazquez was not present to deliver Apiary Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

PBA still seeking a person with technical knowledge to assist with PBA website, Fb/live broadcast of meetings, video of meetings, etc.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Steven Josephsen was welcomed in as Vice-President to serve the rest of term.

2. Discussion of Officers and Duties. ByLaws made available for members to review as to duties.

Stephen Josephsen suggested forming an ad hoc committee to cover Program Coordinator duties, and offered to chair the committee. Mary Steely also volunteered to assist with Programs. Robert Jones stated that there are many options for programs: members, representatives of Dadant, Mann Lake, Agri-Life Office, TAIS,. TBA . Members encouraged to volunteer to speak on a subject about which they have knowledge.

SNACKS/DRINKS: October: Snacks: Ken/Gaye Standridge, Karen Mitchell, Joanie Kochanek. Drinks: Richard Peters

BREAK: Robert Jones presented prayer and snacks served.

PROGRAM: PBA member Ken Standridge gave a great program on bee vacs, and brought two that he had made himself. He explained how to construct them, materials needed, approximate costs, and how to operate each. It was very informative and many questions were asked. Open Discussion followed, including Robert Jones giving tips on keeping hives alive during the fall dearth. Main goals for successful hives: have plenty of bees, and have plenty of food resources. Tips for beginners was requested by new members which we can address at each meeting.

CLOSURE/DOOR PRIZES.

All business being concluded, meeting adjourned about 8:00 PM.

Joanie Kochanek, PBA Secretary