

GM Meeting Minutes

June 17, 2021, 6:30 pm

VFW Hall, 3332 North Grand Ave,  
Gainesville, TX



Elm Fork Beekeepers Association

Officers in Attendance			Other Board Members in Attendance		
✓	President	Jan Hodson	✓	Communications	Gavin Hutchins
✓	V. President	Stan Brandon	✓	Hospitality	Melanie Clinton
✓	Treasurer	Julie Haza	✓	Education Director	Byron Compton
✓	Secretary	Connie Hutchins		Webmaster	Stacy Branam
✓	Director at Large	Tim Branam		Publicity	Susan Pritchard

Attendance: 24

Meeting called to order at 6:38 pm at the VFW.

**Officers Reports:**

**President: Jan Hodson**

- Introduced new board member, Gavin Hutchins, communications
- Susan Pritchard will become our publicity person
- Extraction party has been scheduled for August 28 at the Mountain Springs Community Center. Bring honey frames. All members are invited to come and watch/learn even if have no honey frames. Food and drink will be provided.

**Vice President: Stan Brandon**

- Joe Lewis is speaking tonight
- July meeting will feature a panel from our board members to discuss varroa mite treatments
- August meeting will feature Byron with a presentation on honey extraction
- Stan is looking into getting seeds mix for chaos garden for fall.

**Secretary: Connie Hutchins**

- Minutes were emailed. Sheldon Lutkenhaus motioned to approve as is, Stan Brandon seconded. All approved

**Treasurer: Julie Haza**

- Bank account: \$4185.62, Paypal: \$81.15, Total: \$4266.77
- 66 Members
- Dues are due in July.
- Don't forget Amazon smile.

**Communications: Gavin Hutchins**

- Emailed reminders and had a couple of kickbacks due to typos. If you know of anyone who should have received a reminder but did not, contact Gavin at gthutchins@protonmail.com

**Education Director: Byron Compton**

- Master beekeeping class for beginners will begin July 7 via zoom. Advanced class will begin July 21. Each class will be 3 sessions, one per month. There is no cost for study class. The exams are in November, given by TBA. You can take the class for educational purposes and not take the exam.

**Webmaster: Stacy Branam**

- New members wanting access to the members only section on website needs to go to the new member section and set password then wait for approval. Stacy will verify membership and approve.
- If you have any issue, please contact Stacy.

**Director at Large: Tim Branam**

- Received a new mentee application and encourages all new members to fill out application for mentor

**Hospitality: Melanie Clinton**

- Melanie will be gone for the July meeting. Keldyn will be covering refreshments.

**Monthly Tips and tools**

- Tips this month included information that there will be extended nectar flow this year due to all the rain.
- Byron and Jan talked about tips for making chunk or comb honey and showed the necessary frames as well as a frame jig.
- Lots of plants in bloom this year. Many that normally bloom in May are in bloom now.
- All members are welcome to the board meetings and the next meeting will be held July 1, 6:30pm at Jan's home or via zoom. Zoom link will be on website. Contact Jan if you wish to go to her house.

**Speaker and topic**

- Joe Lewis had another great presentation on cut outs and trap outs.

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:45