

## Five Rivers Bee Club Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2023

When I, Jacque English, went to get the key to the Civic Center in Hardy, I was told that the building was in use for the next three days by the Spay and Neuter Clinic. There were new employees still learning their way around the office. I spoke with the new Mayor of Hardy, Ethan Barnes, and he informed me that the Civic Center is getting booked more frequently and said the price to hold our meetings there would be \$200.00 a month for the big back room. I told him we did not have that kind of funds being just a local hobby Beekeeper Club. He offered up the Johnson Center (formally known as Hardy Senior center) on 304 Johnson Street in Hardy. That would be \$50.00 a month. He told me there would be an upcoming meeting to discuss new pricings for the Civic Center, Johnson Center, and Gym. He asked attendance numbers for ours meetings and I replied that it all depends on if we have Guest Speaker, which can range from 20 – 35. I told him we had as many as 42 at one meeting. He said he would bring it up at the next meeting and would be posting the prices shortly.

I normally set up the dates in advance for our meetings, which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month. With these changes, it was advised to wait on scheduling until after the January meeting.

I called Lonnie and he tried to get the word to everyone about the location change via Facebook. I stopped by the Civic Center and talked with the folks there. I said folks may be coming for a Bee Club meeting. They said they be there for at least another 2 hours and would relay the information if anyone showed up.

When I got home, I was going to send an email out to everyone, but, of course, when I clicked on groups – all my contacts were gone. I was frustrated but did see that Lonnie asked for folks to reach out to others.

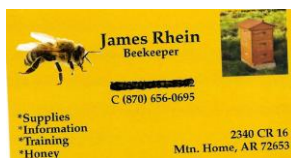
The Johnson Center is a nice facility and everyone liked it and no issues with it becoming our new meeting place.

Lonnie Perry called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

Arrie Goodwin gave the opening prayer.

Jacque English gave the treasurer report: \$1046.77. (All books are open to any paid member)

Bob Stone made motion to accept December 10, 2022 minutes, William Kaelber 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved.



James Rhein was our guest speaker. He is a commercial beekeeper and will be having an event Sept 29-30 with guest speakers Kent William from Kentucky, and Dave Westerfelt. He sells bees and holds classes. He does not use queen excluders; he personally does not like them. He calls them Honey barrier. He did a show and tell on making sugar bricks for your bees. 1/3 cup water OR apple cider vinegar mixed with 4 lbs. of sugar. It hardens quickly and then placed on top of frames. He recommends making a small spacer lid for the bricks. To hear more, please see the meeting video of

the night at <http://5rbc.net/Media/Movies/2023/20230117.MP4> He was very personable, answered questions, and the group asked to have him back another time.

Tonight was our 2023 Officers Elections. Here are your new Officers:

President – Lonnie Perry  
Vice President - Adam Taitano  
Secretary – Carmen Inman  
Treasurer – William Kaelber  
Member-at-Large – Arrie Goodwin  
Master-at-Arms – Arrie Goodwin  
Congratulations to one and all!!  
Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

Carmen will need to set up the 2023 future meeting dates with Hardy City Hall.

Please check Facebook or your email for any updates.

Minutes submitted by Jacque English

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