



Elm Fork Beekeepers Association

Officers in Attendance			Other Board Members in Attendance		
*	President	Jan Hodson		Communications	open
	V. President	Pat c de Baca	*	Hospitality	Michael Barber
*	Treasurer	Julie Haza	*	Webmaster	Byron Compton
*	Secretary	Louann Barfknecht	*	Advisor	Marty Morgan

Attendance: 24 Total BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: 6

Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm at Landmark Bank.

Officers Reports:

President: Jan Hodson

- Jan has filed for 501c3. Which will give us a non-profit & tax exemption status .

Vice President: Pat c de Baca

- Not in attendance, so Jan filled in for Pat. We had 2 speakers scheduled for the meeting tonight accidentally. Justin Hartman, DVM graciously agreed to come back another time to be our guest speaker since Roger Farr & his wife had driven a significant distance to speak tonight.

Secretary: Louann Barfknecht

- September Minutes will be brought to vote for acceptance at this meeting.

Treasurer: Julie Haza

- Currently we have \$219.16 in our checking account & have 24 members.

Webmaster: Byron Compton

- The web-site is up & running. No problems have currently been reported with the site. The web-site is elmforkbeekeepers.org Members should all have a log in & password to access the *Forum* info on the web-site. If you do not have a log-in & password, contact Byron for this. There is a lot of useful info, pics & videos that are posted for beekeepers that are available in the *Forum* section available for members.

Hospitality: Michael Barber

- Christmas party is scheduled for December 20, 2018 & there will be a sign-up sheet for sides & desserts. The club will provide the meat for the party. There may be a Chinese gift

exchange& possibly a hive painting contest at the party for anyone interested. The party is for members only.

Advisor: Marty Morgan

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Announcements:

- Mentors are needed for our upcoming Mentoring Program. If you have experience & would like to be a mentor, there is a form to fill out. See either Jan or Byron.

Business:

- September 2018 Minutes were brought to a motion to approve, 2nd was made & was passed by vote. They will be published for viewing on the web-site.
- The October training class was cancelled due to lack of enough registrations & rescheduled for January 19,2019. The subsequent classes are scheduled for Feb 16 & March 23. More info will be coming about these classes.
- TBA conference is scheduled for Nov 8-10 in Temple, TX . Very informative speakers will be there as well as lots of vendors & additional seminars that can be registered for. Sign-up is available on the Texas Beekeepers Assn web-site.

Monthly Tips and tools

These were printed on the agenda & available to all in attendance.

Speaker and topic

Mr. Roger Farr & his wife were our speakers for the meeting. Mr. Farr is on the Texas Beekeepers Assn. Board of Directors. He is a Master Beekeeper (1 of only 20 in entire state of Texas). His topic was *"SUCCESSFULLY OVERWINTERING YOUR BEES"*. Handouts were distributed to all in attendance. The presentation was fantastic with loads of good information. Our THANKS to Mr. Farr & his wife for coming so far to speak to our club at the meeting!

Misc:

There was a drawing & prizes given out to the winners!

Prize donations are needed, if you can contribute something for the monthly drawings, please see Jan Hodson.

Native Plant Book titles were listed on the Agenda & Jan had a display of the books for anyone interested.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2018 6 pm is social & meeting begins at 6:30. You do not have to be a member to attend meetings, but encourage you to join if you are not a member for special events & access to the *Forum* section on our web-site as well as supporting our local bee club.

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:00 pm