

MARCH 2

Minutes of the ~~April 6~~, 2011 Meeting of the Racine/Kenosha Beekeepers' Association

The meeting was called to order by our President, Randy Chase, at 7:10 p.m. He welcomed guests & recognized those who provided refreshments.

**Announcements**

Tim Fulton made announcements regarding the Honey Law and the Regional Spring meeting which is on Saturday, 12 March 2011.

The Secretary passed around the treat schedule and swarm catchers sheets.

Carl Christianson explained how he would have queen cells available for members this season.

The minutes and treasurer's report were read and approved.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

There was some discussion about changing the amount of our club dues. It will stay the same for 2011.

The book 'Honey Bee Democracy', and PBS movie 'Into the Hive' were recommended.

The election of officers was held. Lindsey Drought is the new Treasurer, Tim Fulton is the President Elect, Randy Chase is still the President, and Peter Staniec is the Secretary.

We talked about our July event being a visit to a bee yard which will be Dan Riendeau's apiary at 10 AM on Saturday July 16, 2011.

**Presentation**

Randy's topic was Spring hive management. There was a lively give and take with many group members participating in the discussion. Feeding light hives, medication applications, and ordering meds for mites were just some of the topics that were brought up. The importance of treatment for nozema was discussed.

At 8 PM Mike Schreiber, food inspector for the state, gave a presentation on "Honey in Wisconsin".

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:40 PM.