

**Brighton Bee Club General Member Meeting**  
March 8, 2023 – 6:30 PM  
Adams County Fairgrounds Administration Building  
9755 Henderson Road, Brighton, CO 80601

**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting commenced at 6:40 PM.

**REPORTS**

- a. Approval of Minutes- Holly Gilerson and Jim Schultz asked to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2023 general club meeting. No members opposed.
- b. Review of Treasurer's Report- The treasurer was not present at the meeting to provide a report.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Beekeeping 101 – Dan Rau

This class will be presented by Dan Rau at a cost of \$40.00 for members and \$45.00 for non-members. Contact Dan Rau for additional details.

Bee Packages Update – Dan Rau

Packages are still slated for arrival on April 29, 2023. A 3-4-hour window for pick up will be provided. 191 packages have been ordered. The club has not been advised of a bee shortage.

Membership

2022 memberships have expired. Applications are available on the Brighton Bee Club website. Contact Becki McConnell with membership questions.

Student Project

Riya Damani, a Junior at Legacy High School has prepared a position paper and is asking for club members to review the paper and provide input. Details on her request and information to obtain a copy of her paper are available from a Board member.

Master Beekeeping Study

Individuals from a Master beekeeping program are working on a study to determine if mites prefer drone bees. Dan Rau has additional information.

**PRESENTATIONS**

“Are you ready for the 2023 bee season”? Presented by Terry Dorsey, Commercial Beekeeper  
Terry provided an overview of how to prepare for the season. His presentation included keeping a record or journal of your activity each season, testing for and treating mites, understanding your hives environment, and pesticides.

**Urban beekeeping-Trying to raise queens.** Presented by Stan Jones, Hobbyist Beekeeper

Stan's presentation included how to feed your bees early in the season, organizing your boxes to keep your bees alive during the winter and cautioned about splitting a hive too soon as Colorado weather can be tricky.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting ended at 8:10 PM.