

Douglas County Bee Club

Monthly Meeting

September 2, 2020

Singleton Park 7:00pm – 7:49pm

Phil is presiding over the meeting tonight.

Treasurer Report was turned in as an account balance statement (Database production issued by the bank) by Dave. He still has not received the Treasurer records and documents (banking check book, debit card) from Jack and has been unable to perform his Treasurer duties. The Database production indicates there is \$4,457.90 in the checking account and one dollar in the savings account. Several members in attendance asked why only one dollar in the savings account and shouldn't some of those funds in the checking account be in the savings account. It would be nice if the club could get a report of income and expenditures each month.

Phil's digital refractometer was used to test the moisture content of honey samples that were brought to the meeting. There were 4 samples. All tested very well inside the acceptable amount of moisture for honey. There were samples of harvested honey that was blended with vanilla/orange, uncapped honey comb, capped honey come, and honey that was drained from comb that came from a recent cut-out from Sutherlin. This device proved to be easy to use. Thank you Phil for sharing.

Round Robin Q&A with members in attendance to address issues with their beekeeping issues and what's going on with their hives. Yellow Jacket problems and other honey bees robbing was the hot topic. Beau brought a gallon baggie full of bees wax to show the group, that has been recovered via the solar wax melter that Robert built. 1 member in attendace inquired about any drivert sugar still available in the DCB Club stores. Phil responded with he thinks there are 4-6 bags remaining, after which one other member expressed interest in obtaining some. However, access to the storage unit is still not available yet due to the fire that happened out at the storage units at the airport. An inquiry was also made regarding if the club has a honey extractor. It was determined that the club does not have one to lend out. Other members own honey extractors, but the club does not.

The "park sheriff" came around to let us know he was closing the park soon. The meeting kinda disbursed after that.

Beau substituted for the secretary this evening. Minutes will be sent to Phil for emailing to the club due to Beau not having the email list.

11 members were in attendance.