VFW HALL, LUFKIN, TX

- I. PBA President Walter McLendon called meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Pledge of Allegiance. Welcomed new guests, including Jeff and Stacy, a new couple from Livingston. 23 signed the register.
- II. <u>Treasurer Report</u>: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: Walter stated there is still some bee equipment available, suits, hats, gloves, etc. at a very reasonable cost. The remaining items are in his truck for those interested.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Elections: President: Nominee: Ricky Davis

Vice President: Bob Love (One More Year)

Secretary: Joanie Kochanek Nominees: None

Treasurer: Mike Hartman (One More Year)

Apiary Manager: Roger Gauthier

Training Coordinator: Nominees: Rachel Payne

Editor: Nominee: Elizabeth Houston (to be trained by Rachel)

Program Coordinator: Nominee: Susan Precup (Appointed Position)

Motion made by Don Lymbery to accept slate as presented. Unanimous vote in favor of slate.

- B. Financial Audit: Walter stated financial audit must be completed by end of January. Don, Walter and Clay offered to complete this task in December or January prior to regular meeting. All in agreement.
- C. Christmas Party/PBA: Christmas party will be held December 11, 2025, at the regular meeting time. Club will pay for the dinner through VFW, \$12/plate. Rachel will send out email prior and request RSVP. Please Respond, so we have an accurate count of people. May have a honey tasting. trade honey recipes and products. Members asked to bring desserts to be served.
- D. Wendy Doucet gave a special thanks to the Officers of PBA for serving, and to the Veterans in celebration of Veterans Day.
- E. Members Needing Help: Susan Precup encouraged members to ask questions and request help when needed. Our club has always helped the new members with their bees and will continue to do so.
- F. Discussed Bee School and everyone was in favor of having the bee school again in Feb./Mar. Rachel Payne agreed to coordinate the bee school. Members encouraged to assist in planning and preparation.

PROGRAM: Discussion on Planning for Spring – Bob Love

- Make a plan, decide your goals for 2026.
- Inventory equipment. Repair, replace, order, clean equipment
- Preorder your bees
- End of year journal. Document your successes, failures, problems, etc.
- Feed pollen in January to start Queen laying.
- Prepare timeline for spring.

Door Prizes/Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM Submitted by: Joanie Kochanek, Sec.