

Minutes for BGES May, 2016 Meeting Tuesday, 3 May 2016 Barrier Islands Center

The meeting was opened at 6:40pm by John Long. Officers present were John L and Chris M.

Treasures report from Chis M. \$922.13, BGES is good shape and donation checks will be written to the BIC and the Chamber of Commerce for building use.

Committee reports:

Bylaws- no report. Bylaws were adopted during the March meeting.

Outreach- many events had representation from members: Tara S., Earth Day at Wallops, Mary W. Pocomoke Garden Club and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Laura Laufer and Russell V. spent two days at Kiptopeake Elementary with second graders, Stan P, Phil H and Donna F. attended the Blessing of the Worms for New Roots in Cape Charles, Donna F. Cheriton Girl Scouts. Jim M. led a group for a removal of bees from Cheriton Baptist Church.

Nomination Committee announced nominees for the June election. Ann Snyder, President and B. Licho, Vice President. Chris will continue as treasurer with help. Phil Harris volunteered. Carol Z will continue as secretary. Estelle has agreed to produce newsletters.

Education: classes were successful and positive feedback was received. There were 24 people that participated in the class. Volunteers that helped were thanked.

Miscellaneous: (These items should be added to newsletter with more info)

Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore is soliciting donations for a jar of honey from interested beekeepers. Ann S. has more info.

Best Management Practices and Beekeepers Limited Liability HB535.

Cape Charles Farm Market is every Tuesday from 4-7 in Cape Charles at the Historic Museum. BGES members may sell their honey and products from the hive. Cost is 10.00. You need your own table and will be assigned a spot. You must stay the entire time. WT went and will share his experience on logistics if anyone has questions.

BGES picnic will be at the ag station in painter. It will be held on the first Saturday in June. June 4th. Plant exchange, honey tasting, etc. elections will take place.

Ann S. Introduced Rick and Pam Fisher at 6:45. They gave a terrific presentation entitled "The Myths and Half Truths of Beekeeping". Their presentation was engaging for both beginners and experienced beekeepers. It was enjoyed by all. All seats were filled and several were standing. The meeting was closed at 8:25 pm.

Minutes taken by Donna Fauber.