

## Midwestern Beekeepers Association

### July General Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Sunday, July 16, 2017 in the Conservation Room at Bass Pro in Independence, Mo at Bass Pro in Independence, Mo at 2:30pm following the Q&A Session with **Bob Williams**.

**Attendance:** 51

**Open:** **Bob Williams**, President, opened the meeting welcoming all for attending today's meeting. He asked for 3 volunteers for the club's Nominating Committee which is formed each July. **Ralph Dickinson** and **James Reeves** volunteered. **Bob W.** thanked them for volunteering and would ask for additional volunteers at the August picnic to complete the committee.

**Bob W.** reminded all that the MBA Library is online and how to use it. He also announced there would not be a General Meeting in August, but instead our annual picnic would be held on Sunday, August 6, 2017 at Fleming Park in Blue Springs, Mo. It will start at 2:30pm. Refer to the July/August Newsletter for details. There will be refractometers available to test honey and Mo State Fair entries may be dropped off at the picnic for delivery to the fair. Don't forget to contact **Dean Sanders** if you would like to volunteer to work the Mo State Beekeepers Association booth.

**Trapper Jon** was then introduced as today's speaker with his program about "Preventive Practices". **Jon** is a Certified Wildlife Biologist with over 45 years of education and experience. He gave advice on what could be done with introduced species as well as nuisance animals and/or insects. Simple solutions such as plugging up the holes in the ends of tubing on Playground equipment, caulking holes around your roof and using Boric Acid is something home owners can do themselves to deter pests. Sometimes the procedure requires being done over time to get max positive results. Questions were answered during and after his program. Thank you **Trapper Jon**.

**Close:** Meeting was adjourned at ~ 3:40pm following Door Prize drawings. Reminders about the picnic and the State Fair entries.

**Secretary** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**ANNUAL MBA PICNIC AUGUST 6, 2017 AT FLEMING PARK IN BLUE SPRINGS, MO.  
NO GENERAL MEETING IN AUGUST.**