

**Tri-County Beekeepers Meeting**  
**Tuesday, March 6, 2018**

Board members Stephanie Johnson, Bob Cross and Mitch Theis were present.

Stephanie Johnson called meeting to order at 7:00.

- Bob Cross led a demonstration on hiving a new package, assisted by Larry and Jack.
- Members discussed helping at other bee yards, sterilizing tools to stop disease. Consensus was members do not generally sterilize tools but do clean them for stickiness.
- Question and answer time among members. Topics included: queen excluders, frames, flow hives, over wintering and flowers planted. Wax vs. plastic frames. Randall wax in Florida was suggested as a wax supplier. Prairie restoration and native landscapes.equip program? NRCS. Bee and butterfly habitat crp land program \$80-\$100 per acre.
- Web committee is looking for members. The committee is also looking for pictures.
- If you received the "friends of" email then you will NOT receive an email if you are not a member next month.
- Picnic will be July 21, with a mini-meeting during the picnic.
- Package orders were taken. Package orders are now closed by the supplier.
- Pam is interested in having bees on property in cold spring. She has 5 acres. Email for more information.
- Meeting adjourned.