

Lee Agricultural Commission

January 26, 2016

Present: Erick Sawtelle, Dwight Barney, Amanda Gourgue, Chuck Cox, Donna Lee Wood, Jonathan Kohanski

Backyard Farming Initiative: The first program of this new series was held last night on January 25th with 38 people attending. A new format was used, with just one person at a time presenting and that seemed to work ok. There were good soil maps available and the library had a selection of appropriate books also available. Next program will be on “Soil Fertility.”

Minutes: Minutes of January 6, 2016 (December 2015 meeting postponed due to snow storm) were approved with one correction. Dwight made a motion to transfer funds at the previous meeting and his name had been omitted. Motion was approved. Dwight made a motion to accept the minutes, with corrections, and Donna Lee seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Finances: No changes.

Brochures: A few more people have to be contacted and the list will be complete. We went over the list of farms who have not paid as yet for an ad in the brochure.

Breakfast: Saturday night we will be working in the Grange, preparing for Sunday morning’s breakfast on March 13th and we will need all the help we can get.

Master Plan: Most of the meeting was spent discussing the Master Plan. Our Mission statement: The Lee Agricultural Commission’s mission is to promote an economically viable and sustainable agriculture within the community.

Many other changes and suggestions were made during the course of the meeting. Paul will put together an updated version and we will each go over the changes, to be presented at a special Master Plan meeting on February 17th.

250th Parade: There was some discussion about having a “cornucopia” float in the parade on July 16th.

Next meeting will be February 23rd.

Minutes submitted by Laura Gund