LEE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MINUTES

November 25, 2014

Present: Erick Sawtelle, Chuck Cox, Dwight Barney, Steve Haendler, Paul Gasowski, Laura Gund.

Minutes: The minutes of October 28, 2014 were approved as read.

Financial Report: The report is the same as last month.

Backyard Farming Initiative: Annie Gasowski has made a draft of a flyer for the programs. The Lee Grange has already been paid for the use of the Grange Hall during this series. We talked about discussing agricultural regulations during these programs, since the NH regulations are becoming stricter all the time. Police Chief Dronsfield has said he could shut off Lee Hook Road at Love Lane for both the Backyard Farming Initiative, if necessary during the winter months, and during the March 8th Pancake Breakfast.

Newsletter: We discussed the problem of getting out a newsletter. Also under discussion was the lack of a newspaper reporter in town. Dwight suggested we raise the question of reinstating the Town Crier at a Board of Selectmen's meeting. This was discussed and it was felt that it could be a line item in the budget, combining all commissions and committees for a "communication" line item.

Pancake Breakfast: It was agreed that we should join with Strafford County Farm Bureau on March 8th at the 2nd Annual Pancake Breakfast.

Next meeting will be December 30, 2014.

Minutes submitted by Laura Gund