Lee Agricultural Commission

November 27, 2018

Present: Erick Sawtelle, Paul Gasowski, Chuck Cox, Dwight Barney, Amanda Gourgue, Ken Brisson, Donna Lee Woods and Laura Gund.

Guests: Shelby Anderson and Tyler Murray. Tyler is graduating in the spring from UNH. In April of this year they started operating the former Nehemiah Snell Farm on Snell Road, now known as Doo-Bee-Doo Farm. They have been doing farmers markets and running a CSA. They came to the Ag. Commission meeting in order to meet with other farmers and learn more about agriculture in Lee.

Minutes: The minutes of our October 30, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

Financial: As of this date, The Ag. Comm. has \$4570.18 in their account and the Farmers Market: \$2114.82, for a total of \$6685.00. Strafford County Farm Bureau has contributed \$250 toward the AED installed in the Grange, and that amount will be added to the balance in our account.

Backyard Farming: The new program has been printed with a list of the programs, as follows:

January 28: Forestry, care and feeding.

February 25: Pests and guests, pollinators, too!

March 25: Wildlife in your backyard.

April 22: Small Livestock.

May 20: Fowl.

Town Center Committee: Paul reported on the goings-on of the Town Center Comm. There is talk of locating the municipal building in the back of the lot, with the Historical Society Museum and the Annex toward the front. Part of the discussion includes a second entrance near the church. There will be a hearing at the December 10th Board of Selectmen's meeting.

Definition of Agritourism: Discussed proposed changes to our agriculture section. It was recommended that we plan to go to the Planning Board meeting on December 4th and we should plan to be available for other PB meetings.

Next meeting will be December 18th (one week early due to Christmas).

Minutes submitted by Laura Gund.