## **Auburn Natural Products and Agriculture Working Group**

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**Location: Senior Center, Pettengill Park** 

**Recorder:** Kathy Shaw

Staff attending: None

Attending: Kathy Shaw, Joe Gray, Pam Rousseau, David Bell, Ed Michaud

Excused: Dave Griswold, Julia Harper

Absent: Katie Boss, Chelsea Eaton, Michelle Mallegrano

**Guests**:

Call to Order: 6:10 pm

**Public Participation: None** 

1. Minutes: No minutes brought forward for approval

- 2. Grant update: Chris Piercy provided an update on Farm to School grant application (through ARPA). Auburn, Lewiston and Lisbon propose to share equipment and staff to process local food at AMS. Product storage is an issue. Grant will be awarded in June. Kathy offered to help set up a meeting with local farmers to develop local sourcing of fresh food products.
- 3. **Comp Plan Revision:** Pam and Kathy will begin bi-weekly meetings to review Comp Plan revision, focusing on NP&Ag section.
- 4. **Open Farm Weekend:** Preliminary discussion of open farm weekend in Sept-Oct to promote farms, forests and natural resources.

New Business: None

Next meetings: June 25, 6:00 at Bell Farm

Pending agenda items: TBA

Adjourned: 7:15PM