Goals – 2016/17

During the meeting in August and the first meeting of September, the Board of Selectmen identified several ideas on which to work. I have tried to expand on the identified goal to give 2 or 3 steps that might be taken to try to achieve them.

- **Simplification of various town processes**
  For citizens – create ways that are less intimidating to deal with the municipal offices.
  For employees – seek ways to make the various town functions more efficient and easier to navigate.
  For department heads/board chairs – identify each area that the town deals with and how each process is currently handled.

- **Moving forward with a possible community center concept**
  Support and expand the concept with input from the Comprehensive Planning Committee.
  Define exactly what is meant by a community center.
  Identify a process to generate a community center as defined.
  Possibly name a special subcommittee to move forward.

- **Age Friendly Community (for all age groups)**
  Recognition that while Lamoine’s population is aging, a younger population will eventually start migrating in with the opening of the Jackson Lab facility in Ellsworth.
  Explore how other communities have handled such issues.
  Explore programming possibilities that would be of value in town while not duplicating services that exist nearby.

- **Keeping Lamoine a desirable place to live**
  Work with Comprehensive Planning to gain feedback on what the resident population finds desirable; what residents find undesirable; and how to prioritize projects that will encourage a desirable lifestyle.

- **Possible programmable display sign for the town hall**
  Seek information from other communities on possible sign vendors.
  Work project into the 2017/18 town budget.

- **Code Enforcement Plan – work with CEO/Planning & Appeals Board**
  Better define the role and expectations of the Code Enforcement Officer in relation to the function within the town ordinances.
  Define expectations of dealing with complaints, applications, and inspections.
  Follow up on certification.
  Meet with CEO, Appeals Board, & Adm. Asst. to “talk it out”
Follow up assessment where the town stands on goals
Quarterly, the Adm. Asst. should produce a report on what has happened in relation to
this goals list for discussion at a Selectmen’s meeting.
Follow up on goals that may have been achieved to assess the success or failure of that
goal.
Set a timeline for each goal.

The municipality’s role in the substance abuse problem.
Work with neighboring communities on availability of treatment options.
Work with law enforcement to determine what role a small town government should
appropriately take on this matter.
Public education efforts on enforcement, treatment, and available programming.

Attracting and keeping young people in the community
See the Age Friendly Community goal.
Seek younger folks to serve in some role with the municipal government and/or school
Marketing our town as an ideal residential community with opportunity for small, home
based business

Recycling & Solid Waste
Analyze the costs of both MSW Disposal and Recycling.
Decide on the MSW disposal option post March 2018
Explore potential changes at the transfer station to better serve users as well as the
facility manager.

Meet with all board/committee chairs
Determine an agenda that the Selectboard wants to discuss with chairs
Set a meeting date and a follow up session afterwards

Land Use plan for area around transfer station/landfill
Lay out the land mass that the town owns and the current land uses.
Brainstorm on ideas of what reasonable uses might be appropriate in that area beyond
the current use, develop a list of potential uses.
Prioritize list developed above, outline the process it would take to come up with such
uses.

Respectfully submitted,

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