Lamoine Comprehensive Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes July 28, 2016

1. Meeting called to order by Fred Stocking at @6:30. Those in attendance were Fred Stocking, Valerie Sprague, Wanda Whitener, Kathryn Gainguest, Richard McMullen, Mike Jordan, Bob Christie. (Absent Andrea Ames)

2. Fred welcomed Wanda Whitener to the Planning Committee and recognized Mike Jordan to being a full member.

3. Consideration of minutes from June 9, 2016 ~ moved and seconded by Mike Jordan and Valerie Sprague. Motion passed 5 - 0.

4. Kathryn mentioned more information about the Public Facilities and it was decided to discuss the topics at the end of the meeting and the topic was put at the end of the agenda.

5. Valerie read the first a draft of the Agriculture Section and we discussed the Introduction section. It was decided there needed to be more information cited so it did not sound like someone’s opinion. Mike said we should put a number on acreage for large scale, and also stated we may want to include Pinkham’s hay farm as large scale. It was also stated there needs to be more definition as to why Lamoine could be an attractive location for families. We also had a discussion about blueberries being harvested commercially so that information will need to be added. Under the Future Needs for Agriculture Development Fred thought we needed to build this section up more. Valerie and Kathryn will revise with more citations and revisions. Notes were taken on first draft of changes to be made and will be included in second draft.

6. Kathryn asked the question ~ How to bring in information from the Open Space Report and weave it through the Comp. Plan? Fred stated we could put it in Chapter 6 ~ part of our natural resources. We could also cite information from the Open Space Report.

7. Kathryn read a first draft of the Forestry Section and shared that the data in regards to land being classified in different tax sections is information given to Kathryn and Val from Mike Jordan. Mike stated he got the information from tax reports. We discussed the meaning of land having open space status and conservation easements. No land in Lamoine is currently in open space status. Kathryn took notes in the draft and will update with feedback from the discussion. Fred also asked if he could send along comments on the first draft of the Agriculture and Forestry section and we thought that would be a good idea.

8. Fred stated the Hancock County Planning Commission’s grant has been approved and they will be able to help us with the transportation section, which is a couple of weeks work. We discussed whether we wanted Jenn Boothroyd from the Planning Commission to meet with us concerning the Transportation Section of the Comp. Plan before getting information or letting her come with a rough draft. Kathryn suggested giving her some information ahead of time and it was stated she will also have state data. It was decided to have her come with a rough draft, but Bob would like to see the draft before the meeting, on August 25th.
9. Fred will have a draft of History and Archeology ready for the August 25th meeting as well.

10. Bob will also have a draft of the Recreation Section for the August 25th meeting.

11. Kathryn provided information which could be part of the Public Facilities section. Kathryn stated there is a fuel assistance program for certain levels of need provided by the town. She also stated that the town is in a cooperative agreement to buy fuel.

12. Kathryn also stated there is a Lamoine Buyers Group which has 96 members. It was stated that this is a citizen group.


14. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

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Respectfully submitted
Valerie Sprague