

Comprehensive Planning Committee Minutes
December 8, 2016
(Amended Jan. 10, 2017)

1. Meeting called to order by Fred Stocking at 6:30. Those in attendance were Mike, Fred, Val, Wanda, Bob, and Richard.
 2. Fred reviewed the agenda.
 3. Consideration of the minutes, November 29, and only made one change to #11 ~ changing of the date to January 24, 2016. Moved and seconded by Bob and Mike to accept as amended. (passed 5 - 0)
 4. Bob reported on the Select Board discussion of the Community Center.
- 4a. There is an agreement of interest by the board to have a community center. Bob explained there are many questions to be answered surrounding a community center including:
- Should Survey Monkey be used for a consensus in moving forward and to encompass other groups who may also be interested in a center?
 - Whether a center should be proposed by the Comp. Plan?
 - Where would a community center be located in town? There was a discussion as to whether the existing Town Hall would be a good place or the old land fill.
 - What other groups need to be included in a discussion in moving forward with a center?
5. Fred reviewed the draft of the Recreation Section. Made a couple of editing corrections and will file in OK pile for now.
 6. Preliminary discussion on Lamoine's economy. Fred explained that we don't have a lot of data.
 - Cooperative Extension Sales analysis show not much activity in retail sales for Lamoine.
 - There was a discussion about businesses in town and how many little businesses there are.
 - Fred thought we should keep codes that support small businesses.
 - Lamoine school employs over 30 people.
 - Town website doesn't generate a list of businesses on the website. Bob thought we should come up with what businesses we have in town. Val explained that Kathleen gave committee members a thumb drive of businesses in town.

The discussion continued about significant **changes** in the economy.

- Bob suggested boat building in the town.
- Fishing industry ~ Thought to have about 10 full time fisherman ~ There has been a drop off of shrimp and scallops, but clams and worms are steady.
- Jackson Lab changes ~
- Mike suggested that we could be losing economics because our codes discourage 4 unit housing?
- Does the community have defined priorities?

Continued a discussion about zoning and economics and how Lamoine does not have a traditional downtown. Bob stated it would be nice to preserve a town Village behind the ball field. Mike thought having smaller house lots gives more of a community feel.

- A discussion as to whether tourism is part of the local economy?
- State park - increase boat activity
- Bob said he has seen more people at Lamoine Beach
- Mike stated there is an increase of people coming to Lamoine Church in the summer
- More people buying lobster (Herricks, Marybeth & Von)

- Will continue Economy section stopped at B4.
- Continue Contractor selection and Economy Section on January 10, 2017.
- Kathie and Val go over Marine/Water resource questions January 10th.
- Adjourned at 7:58

Minutes respectfully submitted, Valerie Sprague