

**Lamoine Conservation Commission  
Town of Lamoine  
606 Douglas Highway  
Lamoine, ME 04605  
Minutes of the Meeting of January 12, 2004**

The meeting started at 7:15 p.m.

Commission Members Present : Fred Stocking (chair), Donna Theall, Nancy Pochan, Raymonde Dumont (secretary).

Minutes of the Previous Meeting : Approved by a vote of 3-0.

Concerns of the Planning Board : Donna attended the last Board meeting and reported continuing discussion of the Pettegrow issue. She also suggested that the LCC member who attends the Planning Board meetings might best be prepared to realte a short statement of LCC progress. Fred suggested we use this forum to publicize our agenda, and framed our purpose as **providing basic information about the town resources.**

Research on Lamoine's Water Resources : Steve Kahl and John Peckenham of the University of Maine have agreed to work with us to research the state of our Aquifer. A graduate student has applied who is interested in water policy, and provided funding could be arranged, might utilize our project toward a master's thesis. **Rae will write to them** to reaffirm our commitment to go further, after the holiday recess.

Andy Tolman of the Department of Human Services' Drinking Water Program may be able to assist with finding funds, as a priority of his department is wellhead protection. He stipulated that this requires that the town commit to adopting a ground water protection ordinance. Presumably, once the process is committed to, the findings of the research can then be incorporated in the actual proposals for the ordinance. **Fred will discuss this with Jo Cooper** and the selectmen. Also, he will continue to pursue the **LCC role in obtaining and receiving grants.** Steve Kahl, who is now appointed chair of the National USGS Water Resources Department may have contacts for federal funding. Kathleen Leyden, of the Maine Coastal Program, stated that to qualify for regional smart growth challenge grants, more than one town would need to be involved. Our responsibility will be to find smaller grants the town can apply for.

Fred researched Community Development Block Grants, but found that these requires demonstrable economic payoff. However, he located a number of resources and information on grants on a **website [state.maine.us/spo/landuse/docs](http://state.maine.us/spo/landuse/docs).** **Donna agreed to try pulling details** together. Carol's return is eagerly anticipated, as her energies will be helpful to go further!

Comprehensive Plan Discussion : to be held February 11. Charlie Major, Donald Cooper and Fred Stocking will each cover a topic. An outside moderator could not be found, but Donna agreed to take this role. **Rae will send announcements to the press, and Donna will call reporters to cover the event.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymonde Dumont