

Minutes of the Damariscotta Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) Monday, November 7, 2019
4:30-6:00. In Attendance : Robert Faunce, Bruce Rockwood, Haas Tobey, Jenny Begin, Kathy Hyttel,
Ann Jackson.

1. Review of draft agenda, approved .
2. Review of October 7, 2019 approved as amended .
3. Planner Bob Faunce remarks and updates :
 - a. Bob shared the final draft of the definitions for "Bed and Breakfast Establishments as a Home Occupation" and "Bed and Breakfast Establishments (Commercial)" to be added to the Land use ordinance definitions section.
 - b. Bob shared the current Comprehensive List of Uses for the Land Use Ordinance. Updates in response to our 10/7/19 discussion were approved.
 - c. Bob showed us the enlargements of the two newly drawn zoning maps available as PDFs on the Town Web Site, with clearer graphics to show boundaries among properties in town and the shore land zone. See: <https://www.damariscottame.com/planning-department/pages/zoning-maps>
 - d. Bob shared that Matt Lutkus, Damariscotta Town Manager, is working on a project to tie property tax records to town property maps. There are many advantages for doing this. One being that it will better demonstrate the potential impact of flooding and climate change on properties in Damariscotta.
 - e. We were reminded to add photos to the "Scenic Views" spreadsheet. The goal of this is to develop a mechanism to protect those views in The Comprehensive Plan. The three step process includes : 1) Research, 2) Amending the Comprehensive Plan and 3) Adding findings to the Land Use Ordinance.
4. On November 19, 2019 there will be a Celebration of 10 Years of the Heart and Soul Report at the CLCYMCA at 5:30-8:00pm. Bruce will contribute a short slide show about the accomplishments of the LUAC and the proposed Historic Preservation Ordinance and LUAC goals for preserving the historic nature of downtown Damariscotta. The ordinance will go to the Planning Board in December for review. Our goal is to have the Historic Preservation ordinance be ready for public hearings by April and sent to town meeting for approval in June. Bruce will write a cover letter for the Planning Board and was asked to prepare an explanatory article for the Lincoln County News.
5. In relation to preparing for climate impacts, Bruce shared that the Coastal Senior College Events Committee is presenting a program on local impacts and responses to climate change at the Midcoast Friends Meetinghouse, 77 Belvedere Road, Damariscotta on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 from 2pm to 4pm: "*Climate impacts and community-driven solutions on Maine's islands and coast,*" by Emma Wendt, Community Development Officer and Climate Specialist for the Island Institute, <http://www.islandinstitute.org> Emma is looking for people to bring their personal stories about the effects of climate change and how they have responded.
6. Jenny will visit the Bremen Conservation Commission to learn more about how Bremen protects natural resources through their Comprehensive Plan.

Next meetings : Monday December 2, 2019 4:30-6:00

Monday January 6, 2019 4:30-6:00