

## Code Enforcement

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**From:** Jason Hodde  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 17, 2025 11:39 AM  
**To:** Code Enforcement  
**Cc:** Jason Hodde  
**Subject:** Message for Planning Board meeting on 9/25

Jason,

As I prepare for next week's Planning board meeting, here is what I would like to outline for the board:

Reason for Revision: Trying to make the lengthy document more approachable to citizens who have land use questions/needs that are covered in the document.

How I've done this so far:

1. Standardized paragraph formatting throughout Articles. This includes adjusting the outline convention when needed, making/updating lists for readability, and consistently referring to state statutes where applicable.
2. Updating Table 5.1 to include a notation that tells the reader if certain use-specific performance requirements exist.
3. Updating Table 6.1 with terminology similar to that found in Table 5.1.
4. Proposing a complete restructuring on Article 10 (Site Plan Review) to make it easier to use. Language changes are highlighted.
5. Limiting changes in Shoreland Zoning and Floodplain Management as much as possible while improving language clarity.
6. Reviewing all definitions and noting if they are used in the text or can be removed.
7. Creating a companion "LUO Reference Guide" so people can quickly access parts of the Ordinance that they care about the most.

I'm also proposing that we change the order of the articles to match the order found in [HowToPrepareALandUseOrdinance\\_2011.pdf](#). Briefly, the document structure will be: [HowToPrepareALandUseOrdinance\\_2011.pdf](#)

- Article 1: General
- 2: Land Use District Requirements
- 3: Admin, Enforcement, Penalties
- 4: Site Plan Review
- 5: Performance standards
- 6: Shoreland Overlay Districts
- 7: Shoreland Zoning
- 8: Subdivision
- 9: Flood Plain Management

10: Non-conformance

11: Appeals

12: Definitions

I'm wondering how the Board would like to proceed from here and whether or not they approve of the restructuring of Articles.

Jay

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**From:** Code Enforcement <ceo@bowdoinham.com>

**Sent:** Friday, September 5, 2025 1:25 PM

**To:** Jason Hodde <Jhodde@bowdoinham.com>

**Subject:** RE: LUO - Jay's Comments/suggestions for Board review

Hello Jason,

Thank you for providing this information. I will look at it and let you know my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Jason

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**From:** Jason Hodde <Jhodde@bowdoinham.com>

**Sent:** Friday, September 5, 2025 10:19 AM

**To:** Code Enforcement <ceo@bowdoinham.com>

**Subject:** LUO - Jay's Comments/suggestions for Board review

Jason,

Here's the LUO work that I've done so far.

The revised order that we had discussed is:

Article 1: General

2: Land Use District Requirements

3: Admin, Enforcement, Penalties

4: Site Plan Review

5: Performance standards

6: Shoreland Overlay Districts

7: Shoreland Zoning

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Please let me know if you need any clarifications on my notes.

Jay