

Public Participation Plan

I. Background

The Town of Lemonweir recognizes the need to engage the public in the planning process. This plan sets forth the techniques the county and its local units of government will use to meet the goal of public participation. Therefore, this Public Participation Plan forms the basic framework for achieving an interactive dialogue between citizens, local decision makers, staff, and the NCWRPC.

The creation of the Public Participation Plan is a task required in meeting the requirements of Wisconsin's Comprehensive Planning Legislation (1999 Wisconsin Act 9 and its technical revisions). The Town of Lemonweir will comply with the Plan as appropriate to the situation. As the planning process develops, it should be expected that deviations from the plan may occur.

II. Objectives

The following is a list of objectives for public participation that the Town of Lemonweir would like to achieve throughout the development and subsequent adoption of the Town of Lemonweir Comprehensive Plan and local plans:

- That the residents of Town of Lemonweir become fully aware of the importance of participating in the development of the Town of Lemonweir Comprehensive Plan.
- That the public participation process be designed to engage all aspects of the Town.
- That the public have opportunities to provide their input (both formally and informally) to the Town, and its governing body.
- That the public have access to all technical information and any analyses performed throughout the planning process.
- That members of the Town have input from the broadest range of perspectives and interests in the community possible.
- That input is elicited through a variety of means (electronic, printed, and oral) in such a way that it may be carefully considered and responded to.
- That this process of public involvement strengthens the sense of community present in the Town of Lemonweir.

The goal will be to inform, consult and involve the public and the communities served during each phase of the planning process. Hopefully, this will help balance the issues related to private property rights.

III. Techniques

The public participation plan for the comprehensive planning process will incorporate the following:

1. All meetings for the planning process will be open to the public and posted. A large open house will be held mid-way and near the end of the process.
2. Periodic press releases to the media and local counties will occur to promote the open house meetings.
3. Via the NCWRPC NEWS newsletter all interested parties and adjoining governments will be informed of the planning process.
4. Planning meeting summaries and handouts will be maintained in the office and on the website www.ncwrpc.org.
5. All planning meetings will have comment sheets available. All website comments will be included in the record as well.

Throughout the plan process, the Town of Lemonweir Planning Commission will meet to monitor the development of the plan.

Town of Lemonweir

RESOLUTION #2007-0109-1

For Adoption of a Public Participation Plan

WHEREAS, the Town of Lemonweir is required to prepare and adopt a Comprehensive Plan as outlined in the Wisconsin Statutes; and

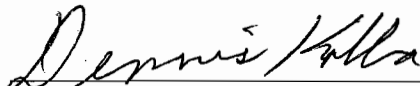
WHEREAS, public participation is critical for the development of a sound plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town of Lemonweir to approve a process to involve the public in the planning process; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Lemonweir does approve and authorize the Public Participation Plan as presented.

ADOPTED on this 9th day of January, 2007, by the Town Board of the Town of Lemonweir, Juneau County, WI.

ATTEST:



Dennis Kolba, Chairperson

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Carin E. Leach, Town Administrator