

Town of Rolling Planning Survey

To: All Town Property Owners

From: The Rolling Town Board

Dear Property Owner,

Since 1997, the Town of Rolling has had a town plan, and now the time has come to update this plan. The Town is conducting a survey to help plan the future of our community. We are at a critical point when we must decide what we wish the community to be before development demand decides for us. The plan will address the issues of economy, housing, utilities, and land use to name a few. To ensure that the plan accurately reflects the desires and needs of the community, we ask that you take some time to complete this survey and return it to us with your thoughts and opinions.

This survey has been sent to all property owners in the Town and is intended to provide an idea of the community opinion on local issues for inclusion in the plan itself. If you are interested in taking a more active role in the planning process than what is offered by this survey, we welcome you to join us at public hearings as they occur throughout this year and the next before the plan is finally adopted. Please contact Jean Andraschko (Town Sec.) at 715-623-6136 or Norman Cejka (Town Chair) at 715-627-7458 for more details.

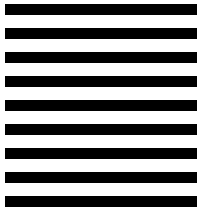
**PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN THIS SURVEY!
WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!**



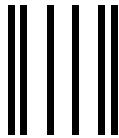
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2006 Planning Survey for the Town of Rolling

Instructions: One member of your household should fill out this survey, however, some questions may concern other members if applicable. To complete the survey, either check your response or fill in the blank as necessary. The results of this survey are **anonymous**. **Please do not write your name or address on this survey.** Try to be as complete as possible; the more accurate your responses are, the better we are able to identify the important issues facing the Town. When you are finished, fold, tape and place it in your local mailbox.

1. Which one of the following statements best describes how you feel about development in the Town of Rolling. **Development is defined as Agricultural (crop or livestock production), Commercial (retail, food & beverage), Industrial, and/or Residential (housing).**

- 20% In general, there is too much development in the Town of Rolling.
- 13% In general, more development is needed in the Town of Rolling
- 63% In general, the current pace of development is about right in the Town of Rolling.

2. Please rank what you think are the top (7) issues facing the Town of Rolling (1 being the most important, 2 being the second most important, and so on). **Please add to the list any issues you feel are not included but should be.**

- 46% Lack of control on location of residential growth
- 46% Lack of control on location of commercial (e.g., business) growth
- 40% Lack of zoning enforcement
- 70% Concern over drinking water quality
- 71% Accumulating junk in yards
- 73% Preservation of rural environment (i.e., woodlots, wetlands, farm land, steep hill sides)
- 43% Confined large scale livestock facilities
- 45% Landfill
- 46% Ambulance service
- 48% Fire Department service
- 67% Road maintenance
- 11% Other, please list _____

16. Please use this space to provide any additional comments you would like to make.

THIS CONCLUDES THE SURVEY
Please Return by Date June 16, 2006

When you are finished, tape as indicated and place it in your local mailbox. No postage is necessary.

The results of this survey will be shared at upcoming committee meetings and included in the Town of Rolling Comprehensive Plan. All information will remain anonymous.

Thank you for your interest & participation in this survey!

13. What do you like **most** about the Town of Rolling?

14. What do you like **least** about the Town of Rolling?

15. What do you think will be the **biggest** challenge the Town of Rolling will face in the next 20 years?

3. Check one of the following statements about sand, gravel, rocks and granite mining (e.g., non-metallic mining):

- 44%** Non-metallic mining should be permitted in the Town of Rolling.
- 28%** Non-metallic mining should be permitted but only adjacent to existing non-metallic mining operations in the Town of Rolling.
- 24%** Non-metallic mining should not be permitted in the Town of Rolling

4. Current land use development regulations/ordinances are:

- 34%** Adequate
- 23%** Too weak
- 6%** Too Strong
- 34%** No Opinion/don't know

5. How **knowledgeable** about zoning would you say you are?

- 7%** Very
- 55%** Somewhat
- 28%** Very little
- 8%** Not

6. Please rate the level of priority of the following items when your town board is making land use decisions about new developments:

A. Preservation of environmentally sensitive land and natural resources (wetlands, floodplains, steep hillsides, forested areas, etc.)

- 59%** High priority
- 31%** Medium priority
- 7%** Low priority

B. Preservation of farmland:

- 42%** High priority
- 45%** Medium priority
- 11%** Low priority

C. Discouraging scattered residential subdivisions by locating new development near other developed areas of the Town of Rolling:

- 40%** High priority
- 37%** Medium priority
- 20%** Low priority

D. Protection and enhancement of existing and future parks and open space:

- 44%** High priority
- 35%** Medium priority
- 19%** Low priority

7. What do you think the minimum size should be for a residential lot?
Currently the Town has 2 to 5 acre lots.

- 2% Less than one (1) Acre **30%** 2 Acres **24%** 5 Acres
11% 1 Acre **13%** 3 Acres **3%** Don't know

8. Are you a resident of Town of Rolling? If **YES**, complete 8A, 8B, and 8C.
If **NO**, complete 8D and 8E.

- 8A. **12%** 5 Years or less
13% 6 - 10 Years
17% 11 - 15 Years
44% More than 15 Years

8B. How many persons are in your household (including yourself) are in the following age groups?

Age Group	Under 18	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	Over 64
Number in Household	42%	12%	21%	29%	36%	44%	44%

8C. Which one best describes where you live?

- 11%** In a subdivision
30% An individual lot 1 acre to 5 Acres in size
31% An individual lot greater than 5 Acres in size (non farm)
13% On a farm
4% Other, please specify: _____

8D. How long have you owned property in the Town of Rolling?

- 12%** 5 Years or less
13% 6 - 10 Years
17% 11-15 Years
46% More than 15 Years

8E. Is there a house on this property?

- 71%** Yes **15%** No

9. Please respond to the following statement: **The Town of Rolling Town Board should take steps to manage growth and development patterns in the Town of Rolling with resident input.**

- 51%** Strongly agree **9%** Neutral **0%** Strongly disagree
38% Agree **2%** Disagree

10. Which of the following development patterns do you feel would be beneficial to Town of Rolling future? (**Check all that apply**)

- 46%** Low density, widely dispersed development.
26% Low density development on forested land.
22% No non-farm development on agricultural land.
4% High density development on forested land.
13% High density development along major roads.
19% Subdivisions along major roads.
15% No further development
6% None of the above.

11. Which of the following best describes how you feel about future residential development in the Town of Rolling in general. (**Check one**)

- 43%** In general, future residential development should be located in areas close to existing residential development in the town with the exception of certain marginal lands not particularly suited for other uses.

- 49%** In general, future residential development should be located randomly in the town.

12. Which uses do you feel are most appropriate for agricultural land in the Town of Rolling? (**Check one**)

- 9%** Large, mostly undeveloped land parcels.
13% Single family units on small parcels.
19% Single family units on large parcels.
54% Maintain agricultural use.
3% None of the above.