

Gilman Comprehensive Planning Committee Minutes  
January 21, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Township Comprehensive Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on January 21, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Caroljean Coventree, Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Decisions were made that Caroljean Coventree would be the Vice Chairperson and Tracy Peterson to be Secretary.

Tom Ruach wanted a vote to see if the Planning Committee was in need of a consultant to write and create a format for the Comprehensive Plan. Everyone voted NO due to being very expensive and that the committee will be referencing off of Maiden Rock's plans for an example.

Caroljean would write up a rough draft of the Public Participation Plan and present it to the committee at the next meeting.

Renne said he would talk to his friend Alicia Cosgrove who might be able to get an intern to assist in writing the Comp. Plan. He will be inviting Alicia to the next Comp. Plan meeting to discuss this further.

Ruach suggested we have public notices of our meetings posted to give people a chance to make the meetings. He will be placing the postings at Team Oil, Read Barn, and the Town Hall.

Tracy Peterson is to talk to Sue Thompson to find out who has access to the Gilman Website for updating notices of upcoming meetings.

A "Visioning" meeting will be one of the first steps to get the public asking questions and giving their opinions on how they feel towards certain areas pertaining their interests.

There are 9 elements to the Comprehensive Plan. These 9 elements were divided among the group for each individual to gather information and bring to discuss, sort, and decide together what we want to use for the Comp. Plan.

Setting a schedule of our meetings for the rest of the year was going to be discussed at our next meeting.

Gilman Comprehensive Plan Committee Minutes  
February 3, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Township Comprehensive Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on February 3, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chairperson Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg, and Alicia Cosgrove.

Caroljean wanted to amend Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>'s minutes by stating she was going to write a rough draft of the Public Participation Plan to present at this meeting. Everyone approved.

Alicia Cosgrove who is a state specialist for land use and farmland preservation at the UW-River Falls campus brought literature, which consisted of the Element guides to the Comprehensive Plan as well as a Planning Commission Handbook. She gave great detailed insight on how the Comprehensive Plan goes together and how it can be simplified by being direct with the planning and keeping it simple to understand.

The Comprehensive Plan needs to be written, and approved by the town board so it can be implemented by January of 2010. Alicia mentioned that there is going to be a meeting in Madison where talks of a possible extension would be granted.

Caroljean handed out rough draft of the Public Participation Plan and was read by the committee. All agreed it was off to a good start.

Caroljean is to write the notice of the March 10<sup>th</sup> Vision Meeting in the Spring Valley Argus. Tracy is to make the flyers that need to be placed at the Red Barn, Team Oil, and other areas of high traffic.

Next meeting will be Thursday February 19 at 7:00pm at the Gilman Town Hall.

The "Vision" meeting will be held on Tuesday March 10 at 7:00pm at the Gilman Town Hall.

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
February 19, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on February 19, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chairperson Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg.

February 3 minutes approved.

A decision was made to have notices of the Gilman Plan Committee posted 48 hours before the meetings in public buildings such as the Red Barn and Team Oil. Notices will be in the Spring Valley Argus 1 week prior as well as on the Gilman Website.

Caroljean handed out the Public Participation Plan. It was read, updated, and finalized. Approved by everyone.

Discussion about material for the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting and how the meeting will be structured.

The flyer for the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting was updated, finalized and ready to be printed. Copies will be located at the Red Barn, and Team Oil.

Tom to bring paper, watercolor markers, ice cream, bowls, spoons and cups to the vision meeting.

Tom to contact Andy Pichotta to see if maps of the Gilman Township are available for the 5 members of the Plan Committee.

Tom to get printouts of the community attitudes survey and additional information to hand out at the vision meeting.

Lorne to bring coffee and cookies.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Location will be the Gilman Town Hall.

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
March 10, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on March 10, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chairperson Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg, Dana Peterson, Chuck Davis, John Lenarz, Sonya Gambrel-Lenarz, Tracy O'Connell, Alicia Cosgrove, John Shafer, Jenny Shafer, Rob Petersen, Suzanne Baker.

The committee put up posters with questions and points of interest about each element of the Comprehensive Plan for the general public to view as well as write down their thoughts/concerns and ideas. A poster for vision statement considerations also was placed upon the wall.

Tom Rauch opened up the meeting with a greeting to everyone and an introduction of what the Plan Committee's purpose is, and what the committee does. Followed by the purpose of the current meeting and what the expectations are towards public participation.

Social hour took place where everyone ate ice cream, cookies and coffee while walking around the room touching base with each of the Comprehensive Plan Elements noting their ideas/thoughts and concerns. Each committee member talked with those who had questions during this time pertaining to the elements that each committee member had assigned to them.

The next meeting will be March 19, 2009.

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
March 19, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on March 19, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg.

Review of minutes of March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Approved as written.

Review of information from the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Discussed the large amount of suggestions/comments/questions on each of the elements of the comprehensive plan. Decided it was a successful turnout and with people coming in on Saturday's, the committee should put up more blank paper next to the elements located on the walls of the town hall for people to write more comments on.

Also discussed the comments that were sent by email from people that could not make the meeting in person.

Tom to put up an easel in the front entry way of the Gilman town hall to define what the 9 elements are of the comprehensive plan and what the plan committee intentions are. This would give people more insight on what the elements actually consist of and what the committee is all about.

Tom brought forward his rough draft on what he is going to cover with the Issues and Opportunities Element.

Lorne handed out a rough draft of the information he has pulled together regarding the Housing Element. The committee is to take a look at it and add comments.

Tom to bring up ideas (rough draft) that we could use as our own vision statement in our next meeting.

Next meeting to be April 2, at 7:00pm. Discussion about the housing element and the Issues and Opportunities Element will take place. We will be writing down suggestions from the ideas on the walls regarding the elements and review them for considerations for the comprehensive plan.

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
April 2, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on April 2, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg, Bill Warner

Review of minutes of March 19 meeting. Approved as written.

Bill Warner who works with Pierce County Economic Development came to see how things are going for the committee and to offer assistance. He handed out a directory of resources covering several areas of the comprehensive plan for use during the planning process. He also handed out a map of the Gilman township boundaries.

Tom handed out the “Vision Statement and Goals ” rough draft revision 2. Revisions will be made and updated.

Discussion on “Issues and Opportunities”. Changes to be made and updated.

Lorne brought the Housing Element up for discussion. Changes to be made and updated.

Tom stated that with the revisions and changes to the drafts that have already been handed out, it would be an ongoing job to always look to fine tune any information regarding these elements by the committee.

Next meeting will coincide with the Towns Annual meeting on April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Other meetings were agreed upon on the time and dates. They are as follows:

Tuesday April 21 – Update on Housing Element with Transportation Element Draft.

Thursday May 7 – Update on Transportation Element with Utilities and Community facilities element draft.

Tuesday May 26 – Update on Utilities and Community facilities Element with Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resources Element Draft.

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
April 21, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Review of the minutes of the April 2 meeting. Approved by all.

Lorne brought up discussion on the Housing element. The draft is going in the right direction. Some changes need to be done to condense the introduction. Changes and updating to be done.

Tracy noted when making changes to the rough draft via computer, each person will read, and edit still leaving the original content of the draft. Their new idea will be next to the original but only in red font giving the committee a real look at what is current and what the new ideas are.

Tom would like each of the members to go home and read/edit the Housing draft. Once done email the rest of the committee to view the new revisions brought forth.

Toms discussed what he had currently with the Vision Statement and Overall Goals. All agreed it looked good.

The Issues and Opportunitites Element was discussed and talk of considering a subdivision ordinance in the future. It could possibly be brought up in the Land Use Element. So far not many issues have been brought forth but it will remain open for more additions as we go.

Housing was next for discussion. Questions brought up were “What will happen in the future”, “What to expect with cluster development” and “The right to land”. All things are to be thought about as we go and talked about further on.

Tracy to email the updated contact information of the Gilman Plan Committee to each member.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
May 7, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Review of the minutes of the April 21 meeting. Approved by all.

Tracy discussed his changes to the rough draft of the Housing Element that Lorne has written.

Caroljean commented on housing numbers and tables giving more of an overview of the housing stock in Gilman.

Lorne to contact Rand Kluegel at the Pierce County office to get updated #'s for the Gilman tables in the Housing Element.

Tracy to modify the Housing Element with the suggested changes from everyone. After doing so give the updated version to Lorne to edit while applying new information with the new tables.

Caroljean presented the 1st rough draft of the Transportation Element to the committee. It was reviewed and to be looked at again before the next meeting.

It was discussed that the Agriculture/Cultural/Natural Resources Elements to be dealt with on May 26th instead of the Utilites Element.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson



Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
May 26, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Minutes from the May 7th meeting to be approved with the following corrections:  
Agriculture /Cultural/Natural Resources Element to be switched and dealt with on May 26th instead of saying to replace it.

Renne handed out rough draft of the Agriculture/Cultural/Natural Resources Element for the committee to read, review and edit.

Lorne brought the newly revised version of the Housing Element to for everyone to edit and look over. Recommendations to summarize or make the mobile home ordinance an addendum. Also to get an updated forecast relating to any numbers which involves housing.  
The Housing Element's format is needing to be changed so that all the elements are similar in structure.

Caroljean discussed the Transportation Element. Under road classifications updating needs to be done with the major/minor collectors roads. She is to define the transit service's name and location of pickups. She is to look into and update bicycle paths in the nearby areas. Caroljean also is to get the date when the commute to work pattern was updated. She is to talk with Alicia Cosgrove for more information on the Transportation Element.

Next meetings will be set on:

June 11 Agriculture/Natural/Cultural Resources Element  
June 25 Utilities  
July 16 Economic Development  
Aug 6 Land Use

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
June 11, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Minutes approved with the following correction. Renne handed out the rough draft of the agriculture, natural, and cultural resources element on May 26th for the committee to read and review.

Discussed the draft of the agriculture, natural, and cultural resources element. Renne is to rewrite the introduction. He also is to look into trends in farmland, forested property, and wastelands. Corrections were made and the element needs to be updated for further discussion in the next meeting.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
June 25, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Review of the minutes of the June 11 meeting. Approved by all.

Revisions made to Renne's draft of the agriculture, natural, and cultural element. The corrections are to be rewrote and reviewed again in the next meeting for further development.

The format for which each element to be written has been set.

1-introduction, 2-existing conditions, 3-goals, objectives, recommendations/policies.

Caroljean handed out the rough draft for the utilities element

The next meeting which falls on July 16 originally was going to be focused on economic development. Instead the committee will be touching base and reviewing the existing information regarding the agriculture, natural, and cultural element as well as the transportation element, and the utilities/community facilities element.

The economic development element will be changed to be discussed on August 20.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
July 16, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, and Renne Soberg.

The June 25 minutes approved.

Discussion on Caroljean's draft of the utilities element. Corrections were made and draft to be updated.

Discussion on Renne's draft of the agricultural, natural, and cultural resources element. It is to be updated before next meeting.

Tracy to email the Land Use element's rough draft to the committee by August 1 for viewing before the next meeting on August 6.

Decision was made by the committee that on the September 3 meeting the topic of discussion will be options for the final draft.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
August 6, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Minutes for the June 16 meeting are approved.

Discussion on how to get all the rough drafts edited and finalized by contact of email to ensure everyone gets to edit their drafts before the next meeting.

The committee read through the Land Use element and changes are to be made and updated.

Next meeting will be September 3.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
August 20, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Minutes for the August 6 meeting were approved.

Renne brought in new maps for the Town of Gilman consisting of steep slopes, soils, floodplains, and land definitions.

Reviewed Renne's draft of the Natural, Agricultural, and Cultural Element. There will be a need for changes and updating before the next meeting.

Tracy to find the definitions of Goals, Objectives, and Recommendations for the team and email it out.

A decision was made that if there were any programs for the element, that they be listed at the end of each element to allow the format to be the same for everyone.

Tracy's land use element was reviewed, discussed, and there will be a need for updating and changes to be made before the next meeting.

Tom's economic development draft was reviewed, discussed, and there will be a need for changes and updating before the next meeting.

A decision was made to schedule another meeting on Thursday August 27 at 7:00pm at the Gilman Town Hall.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
September 10, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg, and Andrea Weiland.

Minutes approved from the September 3 meeting.

Tracy to update the plan commission's minutes and new meeting times on the Town of Gilman website.

Discussion and decision about mailing out postcards letting town citizens know there are rough drafts soon to be available of the current standings of the 9 elements of the comprehensive plan.

Discussed the goals, objectives, policies and recommendations of the housing element. Updating to be done before the next meeting.

Discussed the land use element. Corrections to be made and brought to the next meeting.

Tom is to email the committee the issues and opportunities element that has been updated.

Caroljean to email the committee the housing elements updated draft.

On October 1, the semi final draft of the Town of Gilman's comprehensive plan to be put together for review.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
September 17, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Minutes approved from the September 10 meeting.

Discussion on preparing and deciding what to cover for information at the public participation meeting on October 7. Defining what is important to talk about and how to properly answer the questions with clarity.

The final draft needs to be done mid November. A date is not currently set.

Tom to call Andy Picotta to find out what powers the commission has within the community and in what instances the commission steps in and interacts.

Caroljean is to update the land use element with suggestions Tom has given.

Lorne to print off and deliver 2 copies of the current rough draft of the comprehensive plan to Tom, Renne, Caroljean and 4 copies to Tracy.

The next meeting's date is set on October 1.

A public hearing is set on Wednesday October 7 at 7:00 p.m.



Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
October 1, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on October 1, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg.

Minutes approved from September 17

Tracy to email the Implementation element to Caroljean for updating the current plan

A decision was made that on November 5, the final plan shall be ready to view.

The last public meeting will be held on November 18.

The final revisions after the public meeting will be done by December 1.

The plan shall be given to the Board for approval this day so it can be read and then the decision will be made public at the Town board meeting held on December 9.

Tom discussed the insight from Andy Pichotta referring to what powers the Plan Commission has. It was clearly stated the Plan Commission is an advisory team only. When called upon by the Board for help on certain issues, is the only time the Plan Commission to ever be involved.

Tracy to talk to Andy Pichotta about existing and future land use maps on how they need to be prepared for the comprehensive plan.

Reviewed the Implementation element. Changes to be made and it shall be brought to the next meeting for further review.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes (Public Hearing Meeting)  
October 7, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg, Steve Ranis, Joyce Borgending, John Lenarz, Tracy O'Connell, Sharon Jaffe, Doug Stockwell, Gloria Stockwell, Linda Nelson, Richelle Bartlett, Suzanne Baker, Mary C Anderson, Gary and Marge Balwierz, and Andrea Wieland.

Caroljean opened the meeting with an introduction of the plan committee to the public and giving insight of how the plan committee came to be and its purpose. Following she described how the committee created the draft and where we got the information for everything. She then asked for the general public's input on the current rough draft of the comprehensive plan.

Several questions and comments arose such as follows:

Q. If you're volunteering to do this and it might not be accepted by the board why do it?

A. To come together as a town is an important thing so we can get together and discuss what is best for our town. If the plan gets accepted by the Town Board we will have land use decisions based off of what we as a Town want. We will be consistent with our own comprehensive plan instead of the more vague county plan.

Q. Have you seen any other towns plans? How does ours compare?

A. Several towns throughout the state. Ours compares better than some due to the fact we are more to the point on certain subject areas where there are other towns who have a very vague answer to things.

Q. What value does this have?

A. We gathered information from public input from previous meetings/emails, phone calls and the comprehensive plan gives the town a voice and an option to make our own decisions regarding land use, development etc. The comprehensive plan makes the town view decisions and concerns from a broad perspective from all nine elements - Issue and Opportunities element, Housing element, Transportation element, Utilities and community facilities element, Agricultural, natural, and cultural resources element, Economic development element, Intergovernmental cooperation element, Land-use element, and Implementation element

Q. When does the board call in the plan commission?

A. On any issues where they need more information on a subject, so they can decide whether possible options/decisions are more consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

Q. How long does everyone have to be on the plan committee? How long can someone serve?

A. Current members are on the plan committee for 1, 2, and/or 3 years. Someone can serve until their term is up and then the board can decide whether to have their time extended.

Q. Have there been any disagreements between the plan committee members as the draft has been worked on?

A. Sometimes but we all come together with an answer after discussion.

Q. Is there anything better about our plan versus the county's plan?

- A. It's better because our plan is being developed by local people and will retain local control.
- Q. Does it state anywhere about being a rural farm community in the plan?
- A. Our plan states that in several places throughout the plan.
- Q. What if someone wanted Gilman not to be a farming community?
- A. In the future who knows what might happen with this town. Change is always happening year to year. It would be a slow process overtime. The comprehensive plan can be amended.
- Q. In the utilities and community facilities element in Goal 2, Policy #1, its stated that the Town supports inspection and maintenance of wells, private septic systems, and holding tanks. Does this mean the Town will pay for all this at each residence?
- A. This means that we recommend people to check their wells and septic systems for safety reasons. The Town would not pay for this.
- Q. In the utilities and community facilities element Goal 2, Policy #4, it states considering limiting COMM-83 rules which allow development to occur in areas where private, on-site waste disposal systems were previously not feasible due to poor soil conditions. What does COMM-83 mean?
- A. This is a regulation of the Wisconsin Administrative Code.
- Q. Can the committee reword Goal 1, Policy #2 to not directly say they are going to increase community facilities?
- A. We will look at that.
- Q. In the utilities and community facilities element in Goal 2, Policy #1 it says, Ensure safe drinking water for residents in the Town of Gilman. Does it mean the town is in charge of safe drinking water?
- A. No, it means that we consider ground water safety when making any decisions that might affect ground water.
- Q. Yard lights seem to fill up the sky with light. Is there anything that can be done to lessen the light pollution?
- A. Ask your neighbors about putting hats on their yard light
- Q. In the transportation element under #12-Traffic Safety there are several words stating the consideration of slower speeds and more signs on the rural/2 lane roads. Does this mean the town has to do this on every road?
- A. Where you are reading, this is part of an explanation of existing conditions. The plan does not mandate a specific speed or signage on any road.
- Q. Is this plan going to prohibit me from what I want to do on my property? More laws seem to mean less freedom.
- A. The comprehensive plan is meant to protect everyone's rights. For example, there was someone north of Baldwin who had a battery crushing business that was leaking lead into the ground water. Regulations helped stop that and protect everyone's water. Also, the plan is not law. It's an ordinance or a statute. Rather the plan is a set of guidelines to help shape our future development and land use policy. We have been careful not to use mandatory language. In the housing element a recommendation to take out the 3rd paragraph was asked. The committee agreed to review this information.

In the cultural resources element there is a listing for old historical sites. Currently listed are the old addresses of this sites. The question was asked if we could update these sites with current up to date addresses. Renne received this new information from Lorne so he can update these site addresses.

The next meeting is to be on October 15.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
October 15, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Minutes approved from the October 1 meeting.

Minutes edited/corrected from the October 7 public hearing.

Reviewed the current draft of all the elements as a group.  
Comments and suggestions were added to each element.  
Corrections to be made and discussed at the next meeting on October 22.

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
October 22, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, and Renne Soberg.

Minutes approved from the October 15 meeting.

Reviewed the Implementation element and changes to be made after going through it.

Reviewed the Intergovernmental cooperation element. Comments/suggestions were added and changes need to be done before next meeting for further review.

Plan commission to find out if DOT and township level can increase communication when roads are going to be worked on.

Reviewed John Lenarz's comments about the "Vision statement" and "Issues and opportunities element". Taking ideas into consideration.

Reviewed Tracy O'connells comments regarding to the Transportation element and Issues and Opportunities. Taking ideas into consideration.

Tom is to have the draft of the introduction by next meeting

Planning to review additions to action plan on the Implementation element

Commission to have all elements handed in to Caroljean by November 3 so she can put the entire plan together and have it ready to review by the plan commission on November 7.

The next meeting to be November 7 at 7 pm

The next public hearing will be November 18 to discuss the entire draft

The plan commission will have the comprehensive plan ready to hand it to the Town Board by December 1.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
November 18, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chair Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg, Tony Huppert, Don Nellessen, and Jim Traynor.

Minutes from October 22 approved.

Main objective: Answer any questions or take into consideration adding ideas/comments to the Gilman comprehensive plan.

Q. The comprehensive plan states there is no dirt bike track noise allowed. So there is no track allowed at all?

A. It states that we will need to monitor noise levels to prevent unacceptable noise levels. The plan does not state that dirt bike tracks are not allowed.

Q. Why are we only recommending future development to be along Hwy. 63 and Hwy. 29?

A. Future development is encouraged along these routes for these roads are already equipped to be used more frequently than a side road. If developments are developed further in on roads that are not built for heavy traffic, these such roads would possibly need work to prepare for more use. The plan states these areas are recommended but are not restricted to.

Q. Under the Implementation chapter the question came up on how long the committee is looking forward with this plan.

A. The plan is looking out 20 years ahead. The plan needs to be updated 1 time every 10 years by both the town board and the plan committee.

Q. How long are the members of the plan committee on the committee and what are their terms?

A. Each member is on the committee for a different amount of time. 1 year to 3 years. The town board appointed us to be on the committee and after our time is up we may be asked to be stay on for a longer term.

Jim Traynor noticed that some of the historical addresses that are listed to be current are not correct. Caroljean will be taking out the incorrect sites for the next revision of the comprehensive plan.

Caroljean to update with the newly given ideas and suggestions.

Tom to get with Rand from the county to get maps on the Gilman comprehensive plan so the plan will be easier to read online.

The next meeting will be Monday, November 30 at 7pm.

Submitted by Tracy Peterson

Gilman Plan Committee Minutes  
November 30, 2009

A meeting of the Gilman Plan Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Rauch on November 30, 2009 at the Town Hall. Present were Chairperson Tom Rauch, Vice Chairperson Caroljean Coventree, Secretary Tracy Peterson, Lorne Hanson, Renne Soberg.

Caroljean handed out a draft for the ordinance to adopt the comprehensive plan. Updates to be made and then given to the Town Board for approval.

Formal vote unanimous on passing the following resolution - Be it resolved that the Gilman Plan Commission, recommend that the Town of Gilman Town Board, adopt the document entitled, "Town of Gilman Comprehensive Plan", including the maps and information attached in the Appendixes.

Reviewed the final draft. Corrections to be made and then the plan will be finalized.

Tom is to send Mary Foley a copy of the ATV route map for her to put into the appendixes on the Gilman comprehensive plan.

Submitted by,

Tracy Peterson