

Public Participation Plan: Town of Dunn 2023 Comprehensive Plan Minor Update

The Town of Dunn is initiating a process to create minor updates to the Town's Comprehensive Plan, which was initially adopted in 2006 and most recently updated in 2019. This process will be guided and overseen by the Plan Commission. Section 66.1001(4)(a) of Wisconsin Statutes requires the governing body of the local governmental unit to "adopt written procedures that are designed to foster public participation, including open discussion, communication programs, information services and public meetings for which advance notice has been provided, in every stage of the preparation of a comprehensive plan". The following written procedures contained within this public participation plan satisfy this requirement. This public participation program offers residents, farm and non-farm business owners, and members of various interest groups a diverse set of opportunities to participate through the planning process. The plan will be used by our community as a guidepost in critical decision making about the future of the Town.

Public Participation Opportunities:

The Town of Dunn established the following list of public participation after evaluating the success of the public participation options offered when the Plan was initially adopted. These techniques are designed with the goal of maximizing public participation throughout the planning process, while also satisfying Wisconsin's Comprehensive Planning Legislation requirements.

1. Website:

The Town will post information on the Town's website about Dunn's comprehensive plan and planning process information. This information will include project timeline, meeting dates, agendas, minutes, and draft plan elements. The Town's website will be used to publicize and promote the planning process, provide information on upcoming meetings, and supply the minutes of meetings and notify community members of other participation techniques. The page will also include an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed changes at any time.

2. Meeting Notices:

Notices of meetings regarding the Comprehensive Plan Update will be posted at the Town Hall and on the Town's website.

3. Plan Commission Meetings:

The minor amendments will be discussed and updated at Plan Commission meetings, which will be open to the public and allow opportunities for public comments.

4. Opportunity for written comment:

Notice of the opportunity for written comment on the minor amendments will be announced at public meetings and posted on the webpage. Response to written public comments will be as follows:

- Forward of comments to Plan Commission for review and recommend Town Board action
- Town Board sends written comments in response

5. Public Hearing on Final Plan Adoption:

The Town will hold a public hearing on the ordinance to adopt the Comprehensive Plan. All members of the public will have the opportunity to comment on the plan. The public hearing will be noticed (class 1 notice under ch. 985) in three places (Christy's Landing, Quick Stop and Town Hall).

[Final formal opportunity for public comment before the ordinance is adopted]