

Appendix B - Community Survey

In 2006, the Village of Metamora conducted a survey of residents on planning issues. Surveys were distributed to every household in the village. A total of 87 surveys were returned (a 46% response rate based on 188 households, as reported in the 2000 census).

Following are the numeric totals of the survey responses. A summary of the narrative responses is available at the village office.

1. How would you rank the quality of life in the Village?
 - 3 Poor
 - 27 Average
 - 47 Good
 - 6 Excellent

2. What I like about the Village is:
 - 30 Friendliness
 - 10 Quality of municipal services (water, sewer, etc.)
 - 7 Housing values
 - 69 Small town quality of life
 - 6 Schools
 - 4 Taxes
 - 1 Other

3. How would you rank the quality of housing in the Village?
 - 12 Poor
 - 47 Average
 - 33 Good
 - 2 Excellent

4. A major problem with the quality of residential areas is:
 - 24 Homes in poor condition
 - 6 Inappropriate home occupation
 - 17 Inappropriate land use intermixed with residences
 - 24 Junk cars
 - 35 Other junk/debris
 - 13 Buildings and homes crowded onto small lots
 - 11 Inappropriate size or appearance of accessory structure
 - 1 Other

5. How would you rank the condition of the downtown?
 - 25 Poor
 - 42 Average
 - 13 Good
 - 0 Excellent

6. How would you range the following services?

Police		Ambulance	
2	Poor	1	Poor
19	Average	15	Average
40	Good	33	Good
17	Excellent	12	Excellent

Fire Protection

4	Poor
16	Average
34	Good
18	Excellent

7. How would you rank recreational opportunities in the Village?

44	Poor
17	Average
8	Good
4	Excellent

8. What types of additional recreational facilities does the Village need? (Such as picnic facilities, playground equipment, bike trails, baseball/softball fields.)

See narrative responses summary.

9. Do you shop in the Village? Please explain.

See narrative responses summary.

10. What improvements do you think should be made to downtown? (Such as more parking, streetscape improvements, storefront renovations, etc.)

See narrative responses summary.

11. If you indicated above that you think there is a need for a more diverse group of businesses to be attracted to downtown, what types of business would they be?

See narrative responses summary.

12. How would you rank the following Village facility services?

Storm water draining		Streets	
25	Poor	16	Poor
37	Average	46	Average
15	Good	17	Good
3	Excellent	2	Excellent

Sidewalks		Sewer	
3	Poor	6	Poor
23	Average	31	Average
22	Good	33	Good
7	Excellent	9	Excellent

13. If you think that there is a problem with any of the above facilities, are there any specific parts of the Village that the problem persists (For example, a particular stretch of sidewalk that should be replaced or installed, a street that should be repaired or an area where drainage is a particular problem).

See narrative responses summary.

14. Which of the following would you agree to pay extra taxes for to see improvement in?

- 10 Streets
- 2 Sewer
- 5 Water
- 17 Recreation
- 13 Downtown
- 5 Ambulance
- 5 Fire
- 35 None of the above
- 2 Police
- 3 Other

15. Please rank each of the following statements:

There is a serious problem in the Village with junk or dilapidated vehicles in the Village.

- 5 Strongly disagree
- 31 Disagree
- 22 Agree
- 9 Strongly Agree

Home occupations should be strictly controlled in the Village.

- 13 Strongly disagree
- 24 Disagree
- 26 Agree
- 4 Strongly Agree

Home occupations should only be regulated if they are causing off site problems like noise, traffic control or odors.

- 4 Strongly disagree
- 15 Disagree
- 38 Agree
- 15 Strongly Agree

Commercial development should be encouraged to locate downtown to help revitalize the downtown.

- 6 Strongly disagree
- 8 Disagree
- 44 Agree
- 13 Strongly Agree

Commercial development should be permitted anywhere outside of the residential areas rather than forcing it to locate downtown.

- 9 Strongly disagree
- 30 Disagree
- 24 Agree
- 6 Strongly Agree

Comments: Please write any additional comments you may have relevant to the development of the Village below. If you need more room, attach comments to this survey.

See narrative responses summary.