

Are you a Bethel resident? Yes___ No___ Are you a Bethel land owner? Yes___ No___

Bethel Planning Survey – JANUARY 2006

This survey is to gather input for the revision of the **Bethel Town Plan**, which should help us plan our future over the next five years. We'd really like your ideas. The survey is mostly in 'yes/no' format, but we would like your specific comments as well.

Please complete and return this survey by February 1st, 2006. Thanks.

1. **Should commercial development be focused:**

- a. in the Village center? Yes___ No___
- b. along Route 12 toward Randolph? Yes___ No___
- c. along Route 107 toward Rutland? Yes___ No___
- d. other locations? _____

Comments:

2. **Is it important to have the Town Offices located in the Village Center? Yes___ No___**

If no, where should they be located?

Comments:

3. **Should Bethel's municipal infrastructure be extended? (water, sewer lines, sidewalks, etc.)**

Yes___ No___

If yes, where?

Comments:

4. **Should more development than current zoning permits be granted on a piece of property if soils and slopes allow? Yes___ No___**

Comments:

5. **Should we continue to grow without further limits? Yes___ No___**

Comments:

6. **Should Bethel try to attract tourist-related businesses and activities to town? Yes___ No___**

Comments:

7. **Are there areas in Bethel where growth should not occur? Yes___ No___**

If yes, what kind of land would you like to see conserved? (Check all that apply.)

- € Agricultural
- € Scenic views
- € Forests & Woods
- € Recreational
- € Ridgelines
- € Critical wildlife habitat
- € Other _____

Comments:

8. **Should the Town pave more dirt roads? Yes___ No___**

If yes, which roads should be paved? _____

Comments:

9. **The Bethel Zoning Ordinance allows for construction of wireless telecommunication towers. Is your personal, professional or business life affected by lack of these services at the present time?**

Yes___ No___

Comments:

10. **The Bethel Town Hall will be restored as a Community/Recreation Center. What activities would you like to see take place at the Town Hall?**

11. **'Planning' can involve a wide variety of activities – some concrete things to do or not to do, as well as effort(s) aimed at creating a desired atmosphere or environ. Please review the following items and –for each– indicate your rating of whether the item is VERY important, SOMEWHAT important, or NOT Important for Bethel's future.**

Desired Atmosphere or Environ	VERY Important	SOMEWHAT Important	NOT Important
'Small town' atmosphere			
Scenic views			
Employment opportunities			
Village Center			
Available Housing			
Access to I-89			
Zoning & Land Use			
School System			
Stores & Public Services			
Sense of 'Community'			
Clean & Healthy Environment			
Well-planned Development			
Sidewalks & Bike Paths			
Building Regulations			
'Rural Character'			
Available Child Care			
Condition & Maintenance of Town Roads			
Affordable Housing			
The White River & branches			
Farms and fields			
Woods and forests			
Wildlife			
Light Pollution			
Privacy			

Thanks so much for your time. Your thoughts and comments about what Bethel should focus on over the next five years are greatly appreciated.

Please complete and return this survey by February 1st, 2006. THANKS.

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