

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

Bethel Planning Survey – February 2010

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 March 15th. 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. **Are wind power and scenic views compatible? Yes___ No___**

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:

6a. **Are you satisfied with the current structure of Bethel Elementary/Whitcomb Jr-Sr High School?**

Yes___ No___

- 6b. **If NO: Should Bethel consider:**
- Tuition out K – grade 12? Yes___ No___
 - Tuition out grades 7 through 12? Yes___ No___
 - Tuition out grades 9 through 12? Yes___ No___
 - Consolidation? Yes___ No___
 - Privitization? Yes___ No___
 - Other Options? (Please be specific)

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?

Comments:

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

If yes, which roads should be paved? _____

Comments:

9. **How would you define 'rural character' as it relates to Bethel?**

10. **How could Bethel attract businesses and activities to town?**

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			
Local Employment opportunities			
Village Center			
Available Housing			
Zoning & Land Use			
Stores & Public Services			
Sense of 'Community'			
Clean Environment			
Well-planned Development			
Sidewalks			
Building Regulations			
Available Child Care			
Condition & Maintenance of Town Roads			
Affordable Housing			
The White River & its branches			
Farms and fields			

Any other comments you wish to share:

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 March 15th. THANKS.

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