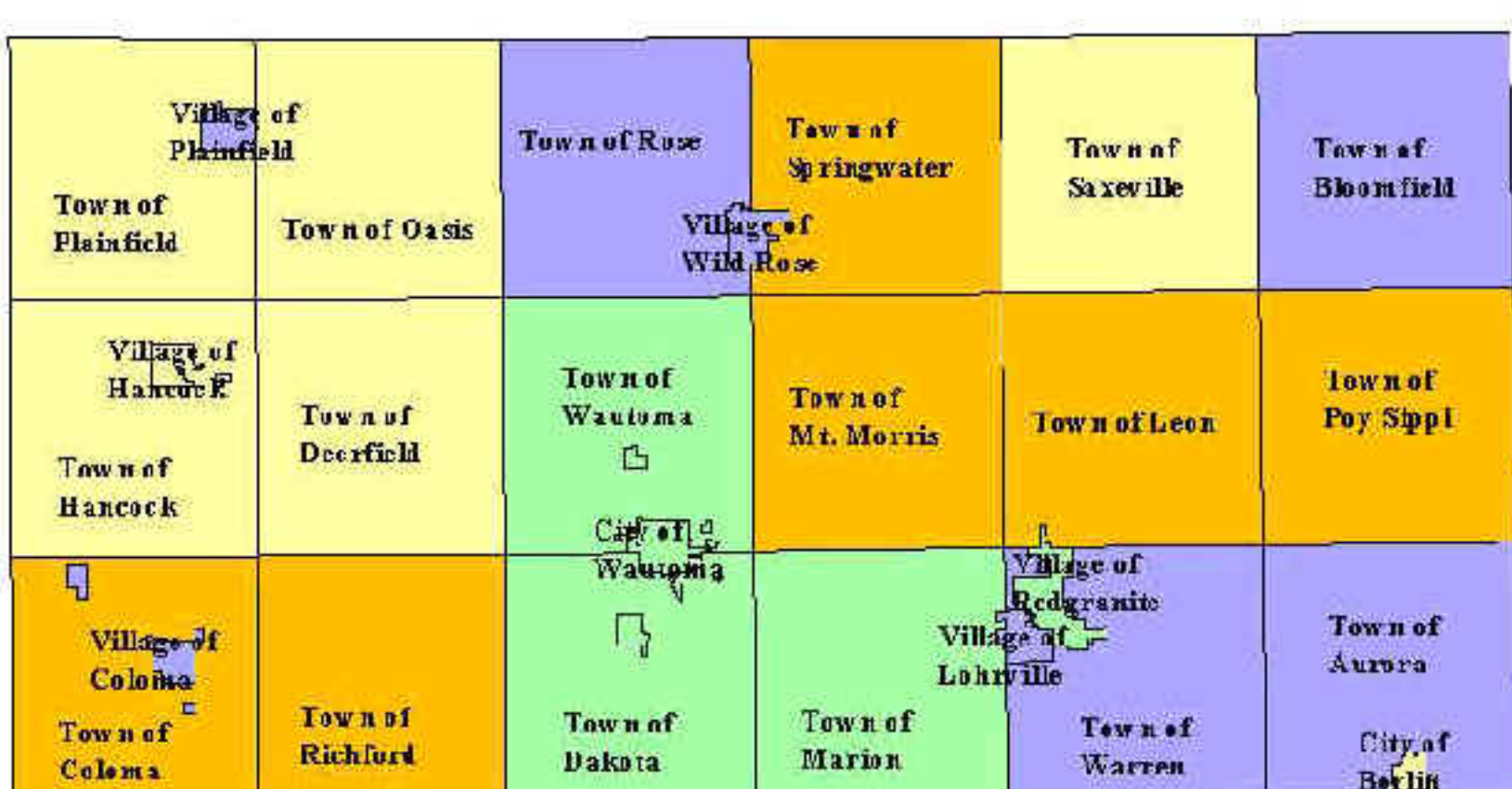


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Planning in Waushara County

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Waushara County Planning Update

- Town of Richford Plan—adopted June 10, 2002.
- Town of Leon Plan—adopted August 14, 2002.
- Town of Coloma Plan—adopted December 3, 2002
- Town of Mt. Morris Plan—adopted December 4, 2002
- Town of Poy Sippi Plan—adopted December 9, 2002
- Town of Springwater Plan—adopted January 14, 2003
- Town of Saxeville Plan is being reviewed by the town board. They meet January 20 and February 17 at 8:00 in the town hall.
- The Towns of Wautoma, Marion, Dakota, Village of Redgranite, and City of Wautoma will meet at 7:00 p.m. on February 19 in the Courthouse in Wautoma.
- The Land Use committees for the Towns of Plainfield, Oasis, Deerfield, Hancock, and Village of Hancock will meet in February at the Hancock Community Center watch the site listed below for date.

www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/waushara/planning

Where to View the Plans

In addition to the above website, copies of the plans that are completed or are near completion can be found on the internet at www.1waushara.com/Zoning/landuseplan.htm. The plans can be viewed at the local library, the Waushara County Land Conservation and Zoning office, the Waushara County UW-Extension office, and the town or village hall. Copies of the full plan document or a summary poster plan can be purchased from East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. Poster plans can also be obtained from county zoning.

Upcoming WisLine Educational Programs

WisLine Teleconference Educational Programs are lectures that can be attended at a number of locations around Wisconsin, including Wautoma. Participants are able to interact verbally with speakers and other participants around the state. For more information or to register contact the UW-Extension office at (920) 787-0416 or pickup a registration in the lower level of the County Courthouse in Wautoma.

- **Road Design Standards**
Date: January 16, 2003
Time: 10:30—12:20 p.m.
Fee: \$15.00
- **Open Records and Open Meetings Law**
Date: January 21, 2003
Time: 10:30 a.m.—12:20 p.m.
Fee: \$12.00
- **Public Participation in Comprehensive Planning**
Date: January 30, 2003
Time: 10:30 a.m.—11:50 a.m.
Fee: \$12.00
- **Ethics and Liability of Local Government Officials**
Date: February 11, 2003
Time: 10:30 a.m.—12:20 p.m.
Fee: \$12.00
- **Local Transportation Funding**
Date: February 13, 2003
Time: 10:30 a.m.—12:20 p.m.
Fee: \$15.00
- **Planning for Intergovernmental Cooperation**
Date: February 27, 2003
Time: 10:30 a.m.—11:50 a.m.
Fee: \$12.00

Location: Waushara Courthouse in Wautoma

Organization and Club Development and Management Workshops

Learn how to develop and improve the structure and operation of a new or existing organization or club through a series of workshops offered by UW-Extension Waushara County. The first workshop will be on developing a strategic plan for your organization. Through the strategic planning process an organization can assess the current situation the organization faces, help the organization focus, and develop strategies to meet the goals and mission of the organization. The strategic planning workshop will be held on January 23. The second session will be held on February 27. At this workshop, participants will learn how to develop financial resources and other resources to support the organization. The third workshop will be about board governance and will be held on March 27. Marketing the organization will be the topic of the workshop on April 24. May 22, participants will learn about mission based management, how to manage the organization to accomplish more of your mission with the resources you have using successful business practices. The sixth workshop, held on June 26, will be on social entrepreneurship, adopting entrepreneurial strategies to financially empower an organization. Volunteer management is the topic of the workshop on July 24. August 28, participants will learn about strategic alliances, working with others outside of the organization to accomplish your mission. The final workshop, held on September 25 will be about outcome measurement, measuring what you have accomplished.

Participants can receive 0.6 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) per workshop by completing an accompanying assignment. A *Certificate of Excellence in Nonprofit Leadership and Management* will be awarded to participants who attend all 9 sessions and successfully complete all of the CEU assignments.

The cost for the program is \$6 per workshop or \$50 for all 9 workshops. Organizations can register for \$12 per workshop or \$100 for all 9 workshops and send as many members of the organization as they like. Workshop sessions will be held at the Waushara County Courthouse, located at 209 South Ste Marie Street in Wautoma. Each workshop will last for 2½ hours, and will include a light lunch or supper. The workshops Participants can choose to attend a workshop from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Organizations and clubs are encouraged to sign up and bring any interested members. The workshops will be held on the 4th Thursday of each month from January to September. To sign up, individuals or organizations can contact Patrick Nehring at the UW-Extension office (920) 787-0416. To register contact Patrick Nehring at the Waushara County UW-Extension Office in the lower level of the courthouse in Wautoma (920) 787-0416 or mail in the registration form at: www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/waushara/CNRED/orgworkshopform.htm

Lake Invasion

From an article by Barb Nass, Secretary of Waushara County Watershed Lakes Council

Mary Gansberg, DNR Lakes Coordinator and water specialist from the Northeast Regional Office in Green Bay, gave a presentation a couple of invasive species found in Waushara County at the November 16, 2002 meeting of the Waushara County Watershed Lakes Council. She reported that a zebra mussel and their microscopic size larva, called veliger, were found in Long Lake in Springwater Township. 37 of the 15,000 lakes in Wisconsin have confirmed zebra mussel populations. Zebra mussels originated in the Caspian and Black Seas. They probably came into the Great Lakes in the bilge tanks of ocean going ships. These bivalve mollusks attach themselves to any hard surface in the water, such as boats, boat engines, docks, clams, rocks, and pumps that draw water from a lake. They filter the water to eat about one liter of zooplankton a day. This improves water quality, but takes that food away from native species, and with better water clarity it promotes more plant growth.

Once the zebra mussel has invaded a lake, there is no way to eliminate it. We can only try to prevent its spread to other lakes. Boat landings on lakes with confirmed zebra mussels have been posted with signs alerting the

public. When leaving a confirmed lake boats and motors need to be checked and drained of all water, even checked around rubber gaskets. Rinse the boat with high pressure water or water at least 104 degrees. Tilt the engine down when hauling a boat to promote better water drainage. Dry the boat and equipment and keep it out of the water for five days. Young zebra mussels feel like grains of sand sticking to a hard surface. Brochures are available from the local DNR office for more information.

A hybrid milfoil has been found in Alpine and Kusel Lakes in Waushara County and four other lakes in Wisconsin. This milfoil is a cross between the native northern milfoil and the exotic Eurasian watermilfoil. Many lakes in Waushara County have been battling the spread of the Eurasian watermilfoil in the past few years. Michael Moody, of the University of Connecticut, is doing a study of milfoil and determined that samples that Mary Gansberg sent him were this hybrid. The usual method of reproduction for milfoil is by

fragmentation. However, they can also reproduce by pollination of the flowers. It is unknown, at this time, how the new hybrid developed, but it is taking over the beds of both of the other milfoils.

The most successful management of the milfoil in Waushara County has been with the chemical 2-4-D. Weevil treatment has not been successful and very costly. Harvesting is good if trying to control a small bed and then all of the cuttings need to be gathered or they will root and reproduce. The DNR will use the same practice in approving treatment of the hybrid as they do the Eurasian Watermilfoil.

Wisconsin Land Legacy Report

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has recently created a draft report identifying important places for recreation and conservation. The report identifies how, who, or when about protecting these important places. It identifies those places that are critical in preserving plants and animals and their habitat, those places that are needed to meet the anticipated recreational needs of Wisconsin, and those places that are special enough for future generations to enjoy. Copies of the report can be found at: www.dnr.state.wi.us/master_planning/land_legacy/ or call (608) 266-0823. The DNR is seeking comments on the report through January 24, 2003.

Market Study

The UW-Extension Center for Community Economic Development and the Wisconsin Main Street Program have developed a guide to completing a downtown of business district market analysis. The step by step guide is available on the internet at: www.uwex.edu/ces/cced/dma/. The market analysis process that is used is divided into 3 parts. The first part goes through seven different techniques used to understand the local market conditions. The second part explains techniques to determine market opportunities by sector. The third part outlines how to draw conclusions, develop recommendations, and utilize the market study. Waushara County organizations or communities interested in assistance in conducting this study call Patrick Nehring at (920) 787-0416.

Mini-conference on Property Rights

Balancing Private Property Rights with Good Stewardship of the Land

East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission and the UW-Extension will be holding a mini-conference where attendees can learn about the legal aspects of private property rights. In addition, attendees will also hear from an environmental organization and a realtor organization, who will provide two different perspectives on the subject. Finally, attendees will learn how one particular community has balanced private property rights and community issues. The conference will be held from

8:30 a.m. to noon at Liberty Hall, 800 Eisenhower Drive in Kimberly.

There is no cost to attend.

Keeping the Land in Land Use Planning & SWCS Annual Meeting

The Wisconsin Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society, Wisconsin NRCS, and UW-Extension are sponsoring a two day conference on the role of land conservation in comprehensive planning. The conference will cover basic information about planning, property rights, and ways to include agricultural and natural resource issues in the planning process and plan implementation strategies. The conference is from 9:30 a.m. on January 23rd to 4:00 p.m. on January 24th at the Heidel House Resort in Green Lake. Registration is \$65. For further information, contact Laura Paine (608) 742-9682.

Other local community, natural resource, and economic development educational opportunities

- **No Train / No Gain Seminar: Managing a Small Business**
Location: Fox Valley Technical College in Waupaca
Date: January 25, 2003
Time: 9:00 a.m. to noon
Cost: \$59
Call: (920) 831-4305
- **Employer Information Exchange Program: Customer Service & How to Supervise**
Location: Wautoma Job Center
Date: February 25, 2003
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Cost: Free and lunch is provided
Call: (920) 787-3338

