

Appendix A

Visioning Sessions - Questions and Attendee Responses

What positive impacts do you think the projected population decline could have on the Town of Clinton?

- More tax money
- More houses

What negative impacts do you think this decline could have on the Town of Clinton?

- Loss of farmland
- Increase in taxes
- Needing more schools/teachers
- More road to take care of
- More traffic congestion
- More strain on water/sewer
- Need more police protection
- More right-to-farm issues
- Eminent domain could become issue

What type of growth rate would you prefer?

- No growth - 42%
- Limited growth (some, but less than 1% per year) - 42%
- Moderate growth (around 1% a year) - 3%
- Major growth (greater than 1% per year) - 0%
- No response - 13%

What concerns do you have about the current/future housing market in the Town of Clinton?

- Would like more upscale
- More houses = Less farmland
- Don't want more houses
- Less sprawl over farmland / wetland / woodlands

What size lots would you like to see being developed between now and 2035?

- Between 15,000 sq ft to 1 acre - 3 attendees
- Between 5 to 10 acres - 1 attendee
- Most attendees felt they needed more specifics to give an informal answer.

What methods would you suggest to protect the natural features?

- Zoning laws
- Conservation trust / Transfer of Development Rights

Should new development occur in and around existing development areas?

- Yes - 100%

Should new development occur in a scattered sites pattern?

- No - 100%

What types of community facility/utility problems is the Town of Clinton experiencing?

- Bad phone / dial up Internet
- Schools

- Policing of parks
- Roads not maintained

What areas do you consider well served by community facilities/utilities?

- Good electric company
- Emergency services / Fire services
- Good road maintenance
- Schools

What types of land uses do you want to see in the rural areas of Clinton?

- Farmland
- Wetlands
- Quarries
- Parks

What types of land uses do you want to see close to existing population centers in Clinton?

- More residential

What specific cultural resources do you think the Town of Clinton should recognize?

- Log Cabin
- Century Farms
- Oldest Cemetery
- Ball Diamonds
- Truck in the Tree
- Pelishek Trail
- Snowmobile Trail
- Elementary School Environmental Program
- Original Ogden, WI
- Bergen Settlement

What are the strengths of the transportation system in the Town of Clinton?

- Interstate 43
- Interstate 90 nearby
- Highway 140
- Highway 67
- Not many Town-maintained roads
- Railroad
- Adequate road network

What are the weaknesses of the transportation system in the Town of Clinton?

- No international airport
- Highway 67 congestion / unsafe
- Soft shoulder immediately after blacktop
- Some narrow roads
- Oversize loads going through

Would you use commuter rail...

- ... between Rock County and Chicago? Yes - 14%
- ... between Rock County and Madison? Yes - 14%

What types of new businesses and industries do you think would thrive in the Town of Clinton, which could provide jobs for the labor force?

- Diesel Fuel Sales
- Small hotel / motel

- Good restaurant
- Distribution center

What quality of life amenities do you think are most crucial for attracting economic development to the Town of Clinton?

- Taking pride in Town
- Taking advantage of agriculture
- Maintaining space and privacy

What ideas would you suggest to promote better cooperation between the various governments in Rock County?

- Town should care about village happenings, and vice versa
- Open communication
- More cooperation

What do you feel is the one most critical issue facing the Town of Clinton?

- Development
- Tax Base
- Keeping zoning local
- Limit nurseries
- Control over junk cars
- Village annexing