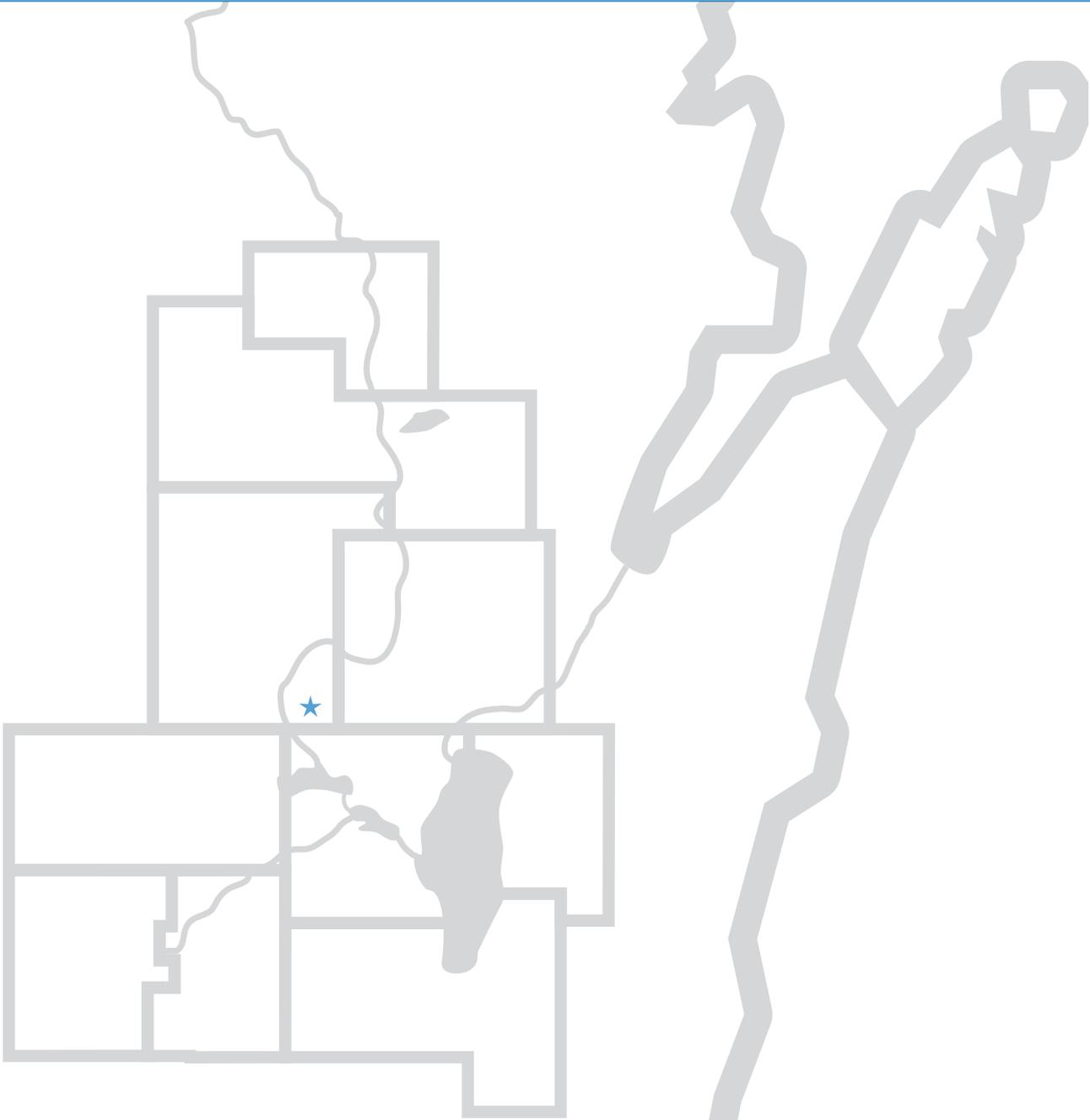


# Town of Caledonia Community Survey, 2017



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## TOWN OF CALEDONIA COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

A survey was conducted by the Extension Waupaca County – University of Wisconsin – Madison in September of 2017. Town residents had an opportunity to provide input via two ways: via a printed survey mailed to each household in the Town and through an online survey. The purpose of the survey was to solicit input from residents and landowners regarding land use and development issues prior to embarking an update to the Town of Caledonia's existing Comprehensive Plan.

The survey contained a series of questions covering demographics, quality of life, natural resources, housing and development, transportation, agriculture & land use and economic development.

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

#### Demographics

- 50.3 percent of the respondents were male.
- 54.9 percent of the respondents were age 55 or older.
- 51.4 percent of the respondents were employed outside of the home.
- 30.6 percent of the respondents were retired.
- • 84.4 percent of the respondents were rural resident's non-farm).
- 68.8 percent of the respondents were two adult households.
- 50.3 percent of the respondents had no children under the age of 18 in the household.
- 47.4 percent of the respondents have lived in the Town for at least 20 years.
- 48.5 percent of the respondents have completed an associate degree or higher educational achievement.
- 37.0 percent of the respondents have an annual household income of \$100,000 or more.
- In 54.9 percent of households, at least one person has a daily commute of 20 to 45 minutes.

#### Quality of Life

- 80.9 percent of respondents rate the overall quality of life in the Town of Caledonia as good or very good.
- • The top three (very important/somewhat important) quality of life issues that influenced people's decision to live in the Town of Caledonia were: natural beauty/surrounding (93.6%); small town atmosphere/rural life style (90.8%); and crime rate (89.6%).
- The bottom three (very important/somewhat important) quality of life issues that influenced people's decision to live in the Town of Caledonia were: schools (44.5%); born here or nearby/close to family and friends (52.0%); proximity to convenience store/gas station (57.8%).
- • The top three services, rated highest by Town of Caledonia respondents were: recycling/trash pickup/composting programs; access to health care (hospital, clinics, assisted living, nursing homes); road maintenance.

- The bottom three services rated lowest by Town of Caledonia respondents were: high speed internet; mobile (cell) phone coverage; and high school. (*Note the reason that the high school was rated more poorly was that there were a high number of people with no opinion.*)
- ➔ About 40 percent (40.1%) of respondents felt that the Town should consider supporting high speed internet improvements. While about 36 percent (35.8%) felt that the Town should consider supporting improvements in cellphone coverage/service.
- About a quarter (23.4%) of respondents felt that the Town should consider the number of towers (density in the Town).
- About a third (31.1%) of respondents felt that the Town should consider the location of towers.
- Opposition to roadway advertising (billboards) was split, about a third opposing (38.2%), a third not opposing (34.1%) and 17.9 percent, may or may not oppose.

### Natural Resources

- Respondents were most supportive (strongly agree/somewhat agree) of identifying, protecting and preserving woodlands (93.6%); wildlife corridors (land that knits together wetlands woods & fields) (89.0%); and river corridors (86.1%).
- While still supportive, respondents were slightly less supportive of farmland (83.2%), parks (79.8%) and prairies land/grasslands (80.3%).

### Housing and Development

- About half of the respondents (49.7%) agree (strongly/somewhat agree) that residential growth is desirable.

➔ The top three types of housing units that participants felt more are needed were (strongly agree/somewhat agree): single-family housing (63.0%); housing subdivisions (fill existing subdivision first) (60.1%); and senior housing (43.4%).

- The bottom three types of housing units participants felt were less needed were (somewhat/strongly disagree): apartments (54.9%); housing subdivisions (create new subdivisions) (49.7%); and condominiums (49.1%).

➔ Over half of the respondents (52.6%) support “cluster” concept subdivisions, which have smaller lots and permanently preserve open space compared with 35.8% which prefer a traditional rural housing development.

### Transportation

- About four-fifths (83.8%) agree (strongly/somewhat) that the overall road network meets the needs of Caledonia residents.
- About two-thirds (67.1%) agree (strongly/somewhat) that the overall condition of roads in the Town are acceptable for present needs.

➔ Less than half (49.7%) agree that biking and walking lanes would be desirable along public roadways in the Town.

- The number of trains per day minimally or has no impact at all on about two-thirds (65.9%) of respondents activities and/or quality of life.

- Heavy commercial truck traffic minimally or has no impact at all on about two-thirds (62.4%) of respondents activities and/or quality of life.

### Agriculture & Land Use

- Slightly less than half of respondents (46.8%) feel that it is very important that farmland be retained for agricultural purposes in the Town. Another third (38.2%) felt that this was somewhat important.

### Economic Development

- Respondents felt that following types of economic/business development were the most appropriate in the Town of Caledonia: ag production (crops and livestock); direct sales of farm products (vegetables, fruit, meat, trees); home based businesses (beauty salon, small machine repair, professional accounting services, etc.); and ag service businesses.
- Respondents felt that the following types of economic/business development were the least appropriate in the Town of Caledonia: frac sand mining; junk/salvage yards; and corporate/large scale farms (over 700 dairy cows or 1,000 beef steers/cows, large scale poultry or pig farms).

## RAW DATA

### DEMOGRAPHICS

#### What is your gender?

Gender	Count	Percent
Female	71	41.0%
Male	87	50.3%
Prefer not to share	9	5.2%
No Response	6	3.5%
Total	173	100.0%



**Which age range best describes your current age?**

Age Range	Count	Percent
18-24	1	0.6%
25-34	8	4.6%
35-44	32	18.5%
45-54	32	18.5%
55-64	41	23.7%
65+	54	31.2%
No Response	5	2.9%
Total	173	100.0%



**Please share your current employment status**

Employment Status	Count	Percent
Employed outside the home	89	51.4%
Self-employed	14	8.1%
Unemployed	3	1.7%
Retired	53	30.6%
Other	10	5.8%
No Response	4	2.3%
Total	173	100.0%



A total of 10 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. Many of the comments indicated that the participant combined more than one employment status. The most common comment combined retired or semi-retired with self-employment and/or employed outside the home.

**Which of the following best describes your residential status in the Town of Caledonia?**

Employment Status	Count	Percent
Farmland owner	17	9.8%
Rural resident (non-farm)	146	84.4%
Non-resident landowner	1	0.6%
Renter	0	0.0%
Other	2	1.2%
No Response	7	4.0%
Total	173	100.0%



A total of two comments were received and are found in the Appendix.

**Number of adults age 18 or older in your household:**

Number Adults	Count	Percent
0	1	0.6%
1	18	10.4%
2	119	68.8%
3	15	8.7%
4	4	2.3%
5	1	0.6%
No Response	15	8.7%
Total	173	100.0%

**Number of children under 18 in your household:**

Number Children	Count	Percent
0	87	50.3%
1	19	11.0%
2	20	11.6%
3	8	4.6%
4	4	2.3%
No Response	35	20.2%
Total	173	100.0%

**If you are a town resident, how long have you lived in the Town of Caledonia?**

Years Lived in Town	Count	Percent
Less than 1 year	3	1.7%
More than 1 year, but less than 5 years	19	11.0%
At least 5 years, but less than 10 years	16	9.2%
At least 10 years, but less than 15 years	29	16.8%
At least 15 years, but less than 20 years	14	8.1%
At least 20 years, but less than 30 years	37	21.4%
30 years or more	45	26.0%
I do not reside in the Town of Caledonia	4	2.3%
No Response	6	3.5%
Total	173	100.0%



**Please share your highest level of education:**

Educational Attainment	Count	Percent
Less than high school	1	0.6%
High school graduate	37	21.4%
Some college/tech	45	26.0%
Associate's/degree	22	12.7%
Bachelor's degree	40	23.1%
Advanced degree	22	12.7%
No Response	6	3.5%
Total	173	100.0%



**Please share your annual household income range:**

Annual Household Income	Count	Percent
Less than \$29,999	9	5.2%
\$25,000 - \$49,999	21	12.1%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	28	16.2%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	34	19.7%
\$100,00 - \$149,999	50	28.9%
\$150,000 or more	14	8.1%
I do not reside in the Town of Caledonia	1	0.6%
No Response	16	9.2%
Total	173	100.0%

**If one or more adults in your household works outside the home, how many minutes (one-way) each day does it take the one with the furthest commute?**

Daily Commute	Count	Percent
Less than 20 minutes	24	13.9%
20 - 45 minutes	95	54.9%
More than 45 minutes	5	2.9%
I do not reside in the Town of Caledonia	1	0.6%
No Response	48	27.7%
Total	173	100.0%



**QUALITY OF LIFE**

**How would you rate the overall quality of life in the Town of Caledonia?**

Overall Quality of Life	Count	Percent
Very good	67	38.7%
Good	73	42.2%
Average	28	16.2%
Poor	2	1.2%
Very poor	0	0.0%
No Response	3	1.7%
Total	173	100.0%



**Identify the importance of the following quality of life issues that influenced your decision to live in the Town of Caledonia.**

Quality of Life Issues	Very Important		Somewhat Important		Unimportant		Very Unimportant		No Opinion		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Housing cost	39	22.5%	90	52.0%	21	12.1%	4	2.3%	11	6.4%	8	4.6%	173	100.0%
Property taxes	65	37.6%	75	43.4%	18	10.4%	2	1.2%	7	4.0%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Crime rate	93	53.8%	62	35.8%	2	1.2%	2	1.2%	9	5.2%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
Natural beauty/surrounding	115	66.5%	47	27.2%	4	2.3%	1	0.6%	3	1.7%	3	1.7%	173	100.0%
Small town atmosphere/rural lifestyle	113	65.3%	44	25.4%	11	6.4%	1	0.6%	1	0.6%	3	1.7%	173	100.0%
Born here or nearby/close to family and friends	55	31.8%	35	20.2%	37	21.4%	24	13.9%	15	8.7%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Proximity to job	30	17.3%	78	45.1%	38	22.0%	13	7.5%	10	5.8%	4	2.3%	173	100.0%
Proximity to the Fox Valley	35	20.2%	95	54.9%	27	15.6%	7	4.0%	3	1.7%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
schools	47	27.2%	53	30.6%	32	18.5%	19	11.0%	17	9.8%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
Recreational opportunities	29	16.8%	79	45.7%	42	24.3%	7	4.0%	8	4.6%	8	4.6%	173	100.0%
Proximity to convenience store/gas station	19	11.0%	58	33.5%	72	41.6%	10	5.8%	9	5.2%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
Other	9	5.2%	1	0.6%	3	1.7%	0	0.0%	9	5.2%	151	87.3%	173	100.0%

A total of 8 comments under other were received and are found in the Appendix. A total of 21 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. High property taxes was the most common issue identified (8), followed by poor internet (2).

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia.**

Quality of Services	Very Good		Good		Average		Poor		Very Poor		No Opinion		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Fire protection	38	22.0%	57	32.9%	39	22.5%	3	1.7%	5	2.9%	29	16.8%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
Police protection	17	9.8%	52	30.1%	60	34.7%	14	8.1%	5	2.9%	23	13.3%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
Ambulance service	25	14.5%	51	29.5%	49	28.3%	6	3.5%	6	3.5%	34	19.7%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
Access to health care (hospital, clinics, assisted living, nursing homes)	25	14.5%	64	37.0%	56	32.4%	12	6.9%	2	1.2%	12	6.9%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
High speed internet	3	1.7%	16	9.2%	31	17.9%	44	25.4%	62	35.8%	13	7.5%	4	2.3%	173	100.0%
Module (cell) phone coverage	5	2.9%	19	11.0%	48	27.7%	57	32.9%	38	22.0%	3	1.7%	3	1.7%	173	100.0%
Park and recreational facilities	11	6.4%	65	37.6%	72	41.6%	8	4.6%	1	0.6%	14	8.1%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
Public school system	27	15.6%	71	41.0%	30	17.3%	4	2.3%	0	0.0%	39	22.5%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
Elementary school	46	26.6%	54	31.2%	24	13.9%	2	1.2%	0	0.0%	45	26.0%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
Middle school	22	12.7%	57	32.9%	35	20.2%	4	2.3%	0	0.0%	53	30.6%	2	1.2%	173	100.0%
High school	20	11.6%	56	32.4%	35	20.2%	6	3.5%	0	0.0%	53	30.6%	3	1.7%	173	100.0%
Recycling/trash pick up/composting programs	40	23.1%	80	46.2%	36	20.8%	9	5.2%	3	1.7%	2	1.2%	3	1.7%	173	100.0%
Road maintenance	19	11.0%	46	26.6%	79	45.7%	15	8.7%	10	5.8%	1	0.6%	3	1.7%	173	100.0%
Other	1	0.6%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	3.5%	6	3.5%	159	91.9%	173	100.0%

A total of 8 comments under other were received and are found in the Appendix. The most common service indicated was snow plowing (3). A total of 30 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. Road maintenance, including maintaining ditched and snow plowing was the most common service identified (9), followed by the need for high speed internet (5) and better cellphone coverage (3).

Respondents were asked to elaborate on items that they rated poor or very poor. 91 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. By far the most common complaint was for faster internet speeds (62) followed by poor cellphone coverage/dropped calls (43). Other concerns included fire protection (8), police presence (8), road maintenance (9), speeding (5) and recycling/trash collection (5).

**Which concerns about telecommunications towers should be considered (choose all that apply):**



Telecommunications Services	Count	Percent
High speed internet	130	40.1%
Cell phone coverage/service	116	35.8%
Cable television	57	17.6%
None	14	4.3%
Other	3	0.9%
No Response	4	1.2%
Total	324	100.0%

**Which concerns about telecommunications towers should be considered (choose all that apply):**



Telecommunication Tower Concerns	Count	Percent
Number of towers (density in Town)	73	23.4%
Location of towers	97	31.1%
Height of towers	34	10.9%
Lighting of towers	39	12.5%
None/No restrictions	49	15.7%
Other	12	3.8%
No response	8	2.6%
Total	312	100.0%

A total of 13 comments under other were received and are found in the Appendix. Many comments supported more towers.

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**Are you opposed to roadway advertising/billboards?**

Opposition to roadway advertising/ billboards	Count	Percent
Yes	66	38.2%
Maybe	31	17.9%
No	59	34.1%
Other	14	8.1%
No Response	3	1.7%
Total	173	100.0%

A total of 14 comments under other were received and are found in the Appendix. Responses were somewhat supportive, though most felt there should be limitations.

**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**How strongly do you feel that the Town of Caledonia should identify, protect, and preserve the following list of natural resources?**

Natural Resources	Strongly Agree		Somewhat Agree		Neither Agree or Disagree		Somewhat Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Farmland	81	46.8%	63	36.4%	19	11.0%	5	2.9%	1	0.6%	4	2.3%	173	100.0%
Prairie land/grasslands	80	46.2%	59	34.1%	24	13.9%	4	2.3%	0	0.0%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
River corridors	100	57.8%	49	28.3%	17	9.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Wetlands	91	52.6%	49	28.3%	21	12.1%	4	2.3%	1	0.6%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Woodlands	110	63.6%	52	30.1%	6	3.5%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	4	2.3%	173	100.0%
Wildlife corridors (land that knits together wetlands, woods & fields)	103	59.5%	51	29.5%	14	8.1%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	4	2.3%	173	100.0%
Parks	81	46.8%	57	32.9%	26	15.0%	2	1.2%	1	0.6%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Other	4	2.3%	1	0.6%	5	2.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	163	94.2%	173	100.0%



One comment was received under “Other”: people. An additional 12 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. Some participants supported natural resource preservation.

**HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT**

**Residential growth is desirable in the Town of Caledonia.**

Residential Growth is Desirable	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	30	17.3%
Somewhat agree	56	32.4%
Neither agree nor disagree	39	22.5%
Somewhat disagree	29	16.8%
Strongly disagree	14	8.1%
No response	5	2.9%
Total	173	100.0%

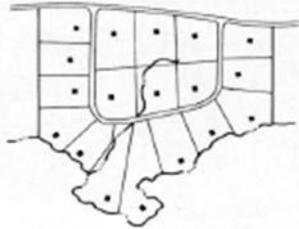


**More of the following housing units are needed in the Town of Caledonia:**

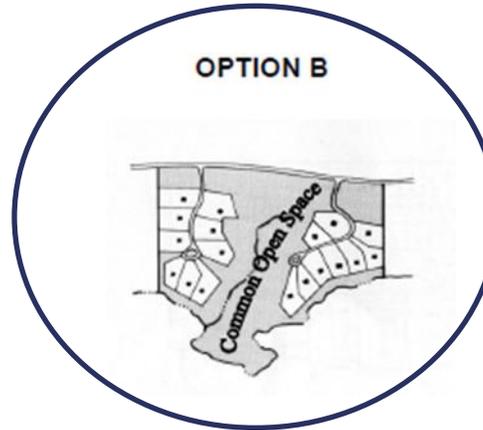
Housing Types	Strongly Agree		Somewhat Agree		Neither agree nor disagree		Somewhat Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Affordable housing	26	15.0%	34	19.7%	60	34.7%	13	7.5%	23	13.3%	17	9.8%	173	100.0%
Condominiums	8	4.6%	13	7.5%	52	30.1%	36	20.8%	49	28.3%	15	8.7%	173	100.0%
Apartments	8	4.6%	17	9.8%	37	21.4%	44	25.4%	51	29.5%	16	9.2%	173	100.0%
Duplexes	11	6.4%	19	11.0%	54	31.2%	34	19.7%	41	23.7%	14	8.1%	173	100.0%
Housing subdivisions (fill existing subdivisions first)	48	27.7%	56	32.4%	28	16.2%	14	8.1%	17	9.8%	10	5.8%	173	100.0%
Housing subdivisions (create new subdivisions)	5	2.9%	25	14.5%	42	24.3%	44	25.4%	42	24.3%	15	8.7%	173	100.0%
Seasonal & recreational homes	8	4.6%	20	11.6%	82	47.4%	23	13.3%	26	15.0%	14	8.1%	173	100.0%
Senior housing	21	12.1%	54	31.2%	52	30.1%	20	11.6%	14	8.1%	12	6.9%	173	100.0%
Single family housing	44	25.4%	65	37.6%	39	22.5%	6	3.5%	7	4.0%	12	6.9%	173	100.0%

Traditionally, rural housing developments have been designed on large lots as in the Option A diagram. An alternative layout is the “cluster” concept, which has smaller lots and permanently preserved open space as in Option B. Please choose one to indicate your preference.

OPTION A



OPTION B



Response	Count	Percent
Option A	62	35.8%
Option B	91	52.6%
No Response	20	11.6%
Total	173	100.0%



**TRANSPORTATION**

**Please choose your level of agreement with the following statements.**

Transportation Statements	Strongly Agree		Somewhat Agree		Neither agree nor disagree		Somewhat Disagree		Strongly Disagree		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
The overall road network (roads and highways) of the Town of Caledonia meets the needs of its residents.	51	29.5%	94	54.3%	14	8.1%	6	3.5%	3	1.7%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
The overall condition of roads in the Town of Caledonia is acceptable for present needs.	33	19.1%	83	48.0%	18	10.4%	25	14.5%	8	4.6%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Biking lanes and walking lanes would be desirable along public roadways in the Town of Caledonia.	39	22.5%	47	27.2%	29	16.8%	23	13.3%	30	17.3%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%

A total of 28 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. Some comments mentioned bike/pedestrian infrastructure, some in support and some not as supportive. Another issue with multiple comments was the speed of traffic (3 comments).

Please choose the appropriate answer for your situation regarding the following statements.

Transportation Statements	Substantially		Moderately		Minimally		No Impact at All		No Opinion		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
To what degree does the number of trains daily impact your activities and/or your quality of life?	22	12.7%	30	17.3%	49	28.3%	65	37.6%	0	0.0%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
To what degree does heavy commercial truck traffic impact your activities and/or your quality of life?	25	14.5%	31	17.9%	61	35.3%	47	27.2%	0	0.0%	9	5.2%	173	100.0%

A total of 32 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. Multiple concerns were raised regarding the number of trains, delays caused by trains, noise, speed and whistles blowing especially at night. A number of concerns were raised regarding the amount of truck traffic, engine breaking, noise, dust and frequency and speed of trucks serving Rawhide.

### AGRICULTURE & LAND USE

How important is it that farmland be retained for agricultural purposes in the Town?

Farmland Importance	Count	Percent
Very Important	81	46.8%
Somewhat important	66	38.2%
Neither important nor unimportant	17	9.8%
Somewhat unimportant	0	0.0%
Not at all important	4	2.3%
No Response	5	2.9%
Total	173	100.0%

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**How appropriate are the following types of economic/business development for the Town of Caledonia:**

Housing Types	Very Appropriate		Somewhat Appropriate		Somewhat Inappropriate		Very Inappropriate		No Opinion		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Ag production (crops and livestock)	95	54.9%	55	31.8%	8	4.6%	0	0.0%	9	5.2%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Direct sales of farm products (vegetables, fruit, meat, trees)	72	41.6%	80	46.2%	7	4.0%	1	0.6%	9	5.2%	4	2.3%	173	100.0%
Corporate/large scale farms (over 700 dairy cows or 1,000 beef steers/cows, large scale poultry or pig farms)	4	2.3%	38	22.0%	40	23.1%	78	45.1%	9	5.2%	4	2.3%	173	100.0%
Ag service businesses	40	23.1%	89	51.4%	20	11.6%	4	2.3%	15	8.7%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
Farming and other equipment resale	28	16.2%	79	45.7%	36	20.8%	8	4.6%	15	8.7%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Retail/commercial	22	12.7%	71	41.0%	47	27.2%	19	11.0%	9	5.2%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
Convenience stores/gas stations	52	30.1%	65	37.6%	26	15.0%	14	8.1%	11	6.4%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
Grocery Stores	43	24.9%	61	35.3%	27	15.6%	23	13.3%	13	7.5%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Daycare	30	17.3%	60	34.7%	23	13.3%	12	6.9%	41	23.7%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%

**How appropriate are the following types of economic/business development for the Town of Caledonia:**

Housing Types	Very Appropriate		Somewhat Appropriate		Somewhat Inappropriate		Very Inappropriate		No Opinion		No Response		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Storage businesses	12	6.9%	64	37.0%	46	26.6%	23	13.3%	22	12.7%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Dog boarding & kennels	21	12.1%	62	35.8%	47	27.2%	9	5.2%	27	15.6%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Privately owned campgrounds/resorts	28	16.2%	74	42.8%	31	17.9%	13	7.5%	21	12.1%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Golf courses	15	8.7%	61	35.3%	39	22.5%	27	15.6%	25	14.5%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Shooting ranges for firearms	30	17.3%	68	39.3%	31	17.9%	19	11.0%	19	11.0%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Archery ranges	34	19.7%	83	48.0%	19	11.0%	12	6.9%	20	11.6%	5	2.9%	173	100.0%
Commercial compost site (area residents drop off materials)	45	26.0%	67	38.7%	24	13.9%	16	9.2%	14	8.1%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Community based residential facilities (adult day care, assisted living, nursing homes, etc.)	21	12.1%	75	43.4%	28	16.2%	18	10.4%	24	13.9%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Home based businesses (beauty salon, small machine repair, professional accounting services, etc.)	52	30.1%	82	47.4%	16	9.2%	3	1.7%	14	8.1%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%

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Industrial/manufacturing	16	9.2%	53	30.6%	40	23.1%	40	23.1%	18	10.4%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Gravel pits (non-metallic mining)	10	5.8%	58	33.5%	46	26.6%	37	21.4%	16	9.2%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Frac sand mining	5	2.9%	30	17.3%	37	21.4%	73	42.2%	22	12.7%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Junk/Salvage yards	5	2.9%	34	19.7%	42	24.3%	68	39.3%	17	9.8%	7	4.0%	173	100.0%
Auto repair	23	13.3%	101	58.4%	22	12.7%	10	5.8%	11	6.4%	6	3.5%	173	100.0%
Other	1	0.6%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	3.5%	165	95.4%	173	100.0%

One comment was received under “Other”: health and wellness. An additional 18 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. Comments were varied. Respondents were not supportive of large farming operations or businesses that would negatively impact groundwater.

**Please feel free to add your comments on specific concerns not addressed in the survey that you would like the Planning Commission to consider when revising the Town of Caledonia Comprehensive Plan.**

A total of 41 comments were received and are found in the Appendix. Comments were varied and included a number of topics

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

**Please share your current employment status (Other).**

Housewife
Employed outside the home and self-employed (2 responses)
Retired and part-time professional
Work in the home
Retired, but farm part-time
I am retired, but self-employed as grain farmer
Semi-retired, self-employed, outside of home
I am retired, husband is disabled
Employed outside the home and retired

**Which of the following best describes your residential status in the Town of Caledonia (Other)?**

Own land/business
Hobby Farm

**QUALITY OF LIFE**

**Identify the importance of the following quality of life issues that influenced your decision to live in the Town of Caledonia (Other).**

2+acre developed subdivision
husband's sales territory
Need for Fiber Internet
Faster Internet Speeds
Cell Phone Service & Internet Service
Grain Farmers
Quietness
Hospital

*Note: Every response indicated that this was very important.*

**Identify the importance of the following quality of life issues that influenced your decision to live in the Town of Caledonia (Comments):**

<p>When I say "no opinion" it means we found a house that worked for us in a location that was near family &amp; jobs. We didn't take proximity to a gas station, lack of daycare, police/fire coverage, and lack of local activities into account. IF WE MOVE, it will be due to internet/cell issues and searching for more recreational activities (esp for kids) and better middle/high schools... as well as an inability to find another home in the town since there aren't typically many houses for sale.</p>
<p>Taxes are very high. We have lived in Luxemburg, Green Bay and this area is really high for a rural area.</p>
<p>Property taxes are unbelievable-way way way too high.</p>
<p>We chose the subdivision that had enough land to keep distances between houses at 100+ feet. Restrictive covenants to discourage shacks and unkempt yards was a must. Natural gas was nice as well.</p>
<p>Property taxes are outrageous. We didn't realize they would increase so much since we moved here. Some people have more land and a newer house and pay half of what we pay just because we are in this town.</p>
<p>Tax rate is too high. Zoning rules are unfair for new houses.</p>
<p>Please influence the powers that be to bring us GOOD high speed internet. Fiber would be awesome. Century Link having a competitor would be good enough.</p>
<p>Wish taxes were lower.</p>
<p>Close to Appleton and Fox Valley.</p>
<p>The Highway W road construction project is and was a complete joke. I understand this was a Waupaca County project but it is very obvious by Bill Abba's big "Thank you!" to the county that he had not spoken with anyone that lives along the "improvement". The length of the project was ridiculous, we had to drive to Weyauwega to pick up packages (rain, snow, sleet, or ice won't stop the post office but I guess gravel does), car wash expenses tripled, and now no one feels safe walking down the road because of the speed of the traffic (posted 55 MPH means 65+ to many). There was zero communication from the county to the impacted residents. Some kind of project time frame communication may have eased some of our angst but even the construction crew had different opinions about what was going to happen and when. When calls were made to the county in search of any information the stories received were inconsistent. This was the worst planned and executed project I have ever had the misfortune of witnessing. Come talk to the people on W, Bill Abba, before offering up a Thank You that you had no right to give.</p>
<p>Retired - Proximity to job non-applicable. Property Taxes too high for residential retired people.</p>
<p>We love the wild life!</p>
<p>We like the area although taxes are too high.</p>
<p>Only negative is Rawhide. We've been broken into.</p>
<p>Retired.</p>
<p>We need a closer Gas station (illegible) @Rt 96 &amp; Rt 45!</p>

**Identify the importance of the following quality of life issues that influenced your decision to live in the Town of Caledonia (Comments - continued)**

The speed limit NEEDS to be lowered we've had our mail box taken out 3 times now by reckless drivers at our own expense. Now with new road they're going faster yet. Hwy 96 has lower speed limits.
We homeschool so the school district was of no concern/interest to us.
Born and raised here. Great church and school community.
Property taxes were not an issue until we were re-assessed. We are looking at building again but probably re-locating due to taxes.
Property taxes are too high. We have lived here 14 years and ours doubled in the 1st couple of years.

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia (Other).**

Sidewalks/Trails
snow removal
Winter Snow Plowing
Speed Limit on Hwy W
Tornado sirens
Century Tel
Entertainment/things to do
Snow Plowing

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia (Comments).**

Road maintenance is a joke-pave the whole Road i.e. Klemp Road-huge pot holes.
Chip gravel on the roads is a terrible decision.
The Town Board's 5 year and long range roads maintenance plan plus the truck route plans have increased the condition of our roads. Planning is important when the costs of road maintenance are so great.
Have been hit by a car while walking because there are no sidewalks or trails.
The town of Caledonia has GOT to seriously consider making improvements and availability to services such as high speed internet (via: cable TV/phone lines) to keep up with the changing technology of today's lifestyle. Many of us living here commute into the Fox Cities for work but could work from home if a more reliable version of high speed internet was available to us. The download speeds, stability/reliability and security of satellite/cell phone internet is not up to par with what larger corporations and companies allow for employees to work from home but MANY of us would love to have the option to do it if we could have these services.

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia (Comments - Continued).**

No Wi-Fi or internet cable service available.
Cell phone coverage is spotty- need more towers.
Hospital in New London - awful! Roads done by Waupaca County crews - inept job - for money it cost!!!!
W was under construction for over a year.
Absolutely hate when they toss down gravel for cars to drive over to wear it away. They say this helps the roads last longer?
Internet options are horrible and slow.
We don't have a computer.
I live by Rawhide and there is still a disconnect between Rawhide and Waupaca Sheriff's in regards to informing the neighbors of escapees and potential risk to the neighbors. There is always a delayed response by Waupaca Sheriff by they time they are informed of an escapee. Neighbors contact each other if we see unusual activity instead of Rawhide taking the initiative to find out cell phones and text information - especially when young children are around.
It is so far to go for bulk garbage drop off. It would be convenient for quarterly bulk pick up of larger items. A used oil drop off site would be extremely helpful.
We just moved to the area, therefore still forming opinion on many items.
Lack of high speed internet is baffling. Areas around the state much more remote than us have much better access. This is VERY frustrating! Our children have to be carted into town to do any online homework they have due for classes.
Taxes need to be controlled to attract people to the township.
I work from home and need high speed internet. Cell phone coverage is very poor at our location so I need to use the internet for access. Having slow/inconsistent internet makes it very difficult to do my job.
Cell phone coverage is poor and inconsistent.
Aurora has 1 clinic in Fremont with limited services.
I put no opinion on some because we have never used these, but they are important to us.
Consider cutting of weeds or road right-of-ways on a 4 time basis in season.
We should feel free to leisurely walk in our neighborhood for exercise, visit with our neighbors and enjoy the beauty and natural surroundings that are life.
ambulance, so it is difficult to rate them. Also, as previously mentioned, we homeschool so we have no opinion on the various schools.
Road Maintenance - Believe side roads are being over looked, mainly patch jobs.
The Town Park could use a lot more trees to make it look more like a park. the limestone ledge north of Readfield would make a beautiful hiking area. Based on my children's comments, most middle schoolers have an "I don't care" attitude when they get to high school. The high school seems to push college instead of preparing students for anything else after high school. A sledding hill somewhere would be nice.

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia (Comments - Continued).**

Schools: Middle school and high schools' standards are too low. Seems to cater to students who don't do well or refuse to do their work rather than instill a sense of responsibility. Too many group projects where good students have to carry the poor students. Too much emphasis on 4 yr. college.
Road maintenance improving.
Clean town to live in.
Digging into yards - stones and damaging driveways (Snow Plowing).

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia - For each item above that you rated "poor" or "very poor," please share your specific concerns in the space below.**

There is no cell phone coverage on Hwy W and Hwy 45 in sections. Coverage at our house - as well as many areas of town - is deplorable. Switching carriers isn't helpful since literally no one seems to have coverage in some of the local areas. For insurance purposes, we effectively don't have fire protection. I never see police in this area, ever, except when there's an accident. Based on my one call to 911, I really hope I never have an emergency at home because I don't believe emergency personnel would get to me in time to be helpful.
I live on Kanaman Rd and there isn't any cable and cell phone reception is only one or two bars.
Cell phone service sucks no matter what carrier you have.
High speed internet: Very difficult to get quality high speed internet at a reasonable price.
Pay taxes to a school district and have no children-way too much money for a school with poor outcomes.
FIRE; I am resigned to the fact that if our home were to ever start on fire, we would lose everything. No offense to the volunteer fire departments, but they are just too far away. AMBULANCE; My neighbor once needed an ambulance for his wife having a heart attack. I first realized that there was a problem when I heard the sirens. The sirens kept going circling the area unable to locate the address, or road for that matter. The crew that arrived was not a paramedic crew and were not even able to do CPR correctly. I hope that over the years that have passed there have been improvements made. By the way the woman died.
INTERNET & CELL PHONE; I understand the internet short comings but I do have a very hard time trying to understand why we should have to have cell service that is so bad that I still have to go out into the driveway to have good service.
The traffic on Hwy 45 is terrible, there are numerous semis using jack brakes, speeding, trying to cross it to get to our mail box is downright dangerous. There is never any police patrolling the road or watching for speeders We have to have satellite internet and that is spotty at best The roads in Waupaca county are terrible.

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia - For each item above that you rated "poor" or "very poor," please share your specific concerns in the space below (Continued).**

Poor coverage for Sprint cellular. No access to broadband internet outside of DSL, which isn't sufficient.
High speed Internet doesn't exist. With higher speeds, I could work from home saving commuting costs.
DSL internet is too slow and CenturyLink is our only provider. Broadband would be a major improvement.
Should have cable access.
Road maintenance doesn't last and patches just get worse the following year.
Difficult to get reliable internet service. Only one cell phone provider works for us here and we must be outside to call someone on the phone. No police presence unless something happens at Rawhide. Speeding by people working or delivering to Rawhide is atrocious! My daughter has almost been hit by ridiculous speeders. We need a police presence here.
The wireless is not good here. We have the best we can get and it's not very good. Also, the cell phone coverage in Readfield is not good.
Poor coverage and options.
The County Rd W project has taken too long.
Internet service is incredibly slow, and having only one ISP in the township translates into high costs for poor service. At times, the service is not stable, and technical support is provided by staff in the Philippines. It is difficult to understand their English. Cell service is also spotty and not available in parts of the township. There is not sufficient law enforcement staffing in the county to provide more than the most minimal service to town residents.
We have had to get a signal booster just to use cell phones in and around our home.
Internet is spotty out here, some neighbors don't have any access. Even when you do it is only 10mb/s, there are extremely rural communities that do better than that. Parks- we need more things to do, hiking areas and the like, get bored out here, doing the same hiking trail all the time.
Service providers are too far away.
There are certain parts of my house that I can't get cell phone reception in. Century Link tells us our house doesn't exist whenever we call them, despite using their internet service. The nearest fire station is six miles away. There is low crime, but cars speed through town at 50-70 mph often, and I have two kids.
Need a high speed internet service, maybe cable.
Not enough choices.
Not happy with the fire rescue because walked through my living room during winter and stained my white carpet. The head of the Dale fire and rescue had no respect for us either. The snow removal is not good due to not road always cleaned later than what some people have to go to work. Also, knocked over a few mailboxes while plowing.
If my house starts on fire or I have a medical emergency either my house will burn to the ground or I'll die before help arrives.

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia - For each item above that you rated "poor" or "very poor," please share your specific concerns in the space below (Continued).**

CenturyLink is the only unlimited high speed internet that I can find available and I think they're terrible. I'm home based for my job so it's very important that I have it so I just have to deal with it.
Desperately need high speed internet, NOT satellite, and our cell signal is spotty at best and has been forever.
All communities need to have a long term plan in place for their main infrastructure. These items are all too often neglected because of their long term life span or their immediate cost but the cost averaging for these items needs to be divided out over their life expectancy. It is pay me now or pay me later but the price to pay later is extremely more expensive than it is right now. How can it be a good idea to put new roads in when we can't take care of the old ones. There needs to be a budgeted amount for repairs tied to the amount being spent on new roads and based on the mileage of the old roads. Cell coverage and internet access are critical to keeping new life in the community growing. A dollar amount needs to be budgeted based on how much the new life is worth to the community.
Fire Protection: (Response time concerns vs. property taxes we pay) We feel that our township should consider having it's own small volunteer fire department in a centralized location to ensure a faster response time than having to rely on our surrounding cities and townships to respond, which are longer. We pay a PREMIUM for taxes here in Caledonia and honestly, do not understand what all of that money goes toward. It would be nice to justify the higher taxes we pay if we had our own fire protection. High Speed Internet: The town of Caledonia has GOT to seriously consider making improvements and availability to services such as high speed internet (via: cable TV/phone lines) to keep up with the changing technology of today's lifestyle. Many of us living here commute into the Fox Cities for work but could work from home if a more reliable version of high speed internet was available to us. The download speeds, stability/reliability and security of satellite/cell phone internet is not up to par with what larger corporations and companies allow for employees to work from home but MANY of us would love to have the option to do it if we could have these services. Cell Phone Coverage: We have sketchy/spotty service in our area, no matter what carrier we use. Some have good luck with US Cellular and Verizon, but only in certain areas. We have been long time customers with Verizon and have been mostly satisfied, however in the recent year it seems the coverage and reliability has gone down hill. It would be nice to have better, more consistent coverage as cell phones for most of us, have taken over traditional land lines. Road Maintenance: Most concern is with snow removal. I feel that when it snows, we are some of the last roads to get plowed and when we do get plowed it is not the best which creates safety concerns for buses and commutes to main roads to get to work. Also, how the roads are treated once plowed...there seems to be A LOT of sand dropped, but very little salt. Sand does not melt the snow and ice, it mostly only creates a muddy mess. A better ratio of salt to sand usage would be a safer, more effective option during the long winter months to keep our roads safe for travel.

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia - For each item above that you rated "poor" or "very poor," please share your specific concerns in the space below (Continued).**

Not many options for internet or cell phone coverage.
I have little choice in high speed internet. It is expensive to have Hueghes net or some other dish on my house. Same with phone coverage. I still have land line because my cell phone coverage is spotty on cut off road.
The Town should never use Waupaca County black topping services. The road is terrible!!!
Internet is too slow and sometimes inaccessible. Cell coverage is weak and frequently drops calls.
Internet is limited, not very fast and expensive. Cell phone service no matter the carrier is very poor. Must have home phone yet for reliable service. Must go outside home to talk on cell phone and than still sometimes unreliable.
Internet we have is expensive and slow. No other choices available.
I have Verizon and my coverage at my house it poor for cell. Internet not much good options satellite is not high-speed.
The internet and cell phone capabilities in the area are substandard. Cell phones rarely work at Readfield Elementary and numerous other areas in the town.
Bellin Rd. has big holes all over. Every year it's just refill the holes and Do Over year after year instead of doing it right the first time. There ARE school buses going down this road everyday. Also the wear and tear on everyone else's vehicle is also important.
There are no options for high speed internet where we live. It makes working from home difficult.
Internet options are horrible and slow.
Access to internet services is very limited. Cell phone service is also very poor. Recycling should be every other week.
High speed internet service is not good and what there is in the rural areas is overpriced. Most cell phone service is spotty.
- High Speed Internet is not high speed! CenturyLink has good people but does a bad job of providing our area with the even average services. - Cell service is basically non-existent for us. - Recycling/trash pickup is inconsistent in timing and we find garbage and recycle in the yard after a pickup. - Road maintenance. Bellin Rd is a mess. Gets useless patch jobs. Snow plowing only happens in time for buses - i.e. no school, no plow.....some of us have to still have to get to work to be able to pay taxes for poor road service.

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<p>High speed internet is not capable of being very fast by today's standards, need to update to fiber optic cable.</p> <p>Trash program is sufficient, recycling program is poor at best. More items need to be recycled by company and it should pick up weekly. Lawn and yard waste pickup would also be an excellent addition. I'm definitely willing to pay for said upgrades.</p> <p>The county highway W project took over 2 years to complete. Things are left unfinished. fences still up, yards not fixed, etc.</p>
<p>DSL is the only option for Internet access competition would improve options and prices due to the landscape and the major cellular suppliers not supporting this area Cell service is marginal at best</p> <p>Only picking up recycling twice per month I feel most households put recyclables in the trash because the bins get over full especially on 5 Wednesday months</p>
<p>High speed internet service is not good and what there is in the rural areas is overpriced. Most cell phone service is spotty.</p>
<p>Will not go to Waupaca or New London for doctors. Internet I have high speed which is a laugh. Can not use Netflix it is to slow. I can see two towers and still have areas where there is poor reception.</p>
<p>No broadband service living 1/4 mile off of a state highway!</p>
<p>The satellite internet is very slow and has a cap. That is very annoying.</p>
<p>Our internet options are very poor and expensive where we live. We live between Hwy W and the Wolf River (Seefeld Rd.). My hope is that the grant money being giving to Waupaca Online will be used to expand into our area. Thanks.</p>
<p>Feel like there should be more options available to us. but living in a small town community its understandable.</p>
<p>Police only because we never see the Sheriff's Dept. in the town on local roads. Not that we need it but it is a great deterrent to see a squad once in a while.</p>
<p>Phone, lots of places where you drop calls.</p>
<p>Cell coverage is very poor.</p> <p>Internet without a "dish" is impossible.</p>
<p>Internet: Most areas doing have cable</p> <p>Parks: Town hall is the only place. No trails</p> <p>Recycling: Need more opportunities for waste oil and hazardous materials.</p>
<p>Poor service.</p>
<p>We need better internet and phone coverage to work from home.</p>

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<p>We are over paying for the fire dept. We need to look at other departments in our are that are cheaper and have better coverage and closer to our town. Why does Dale need a million dollar water truck, New London and Fremont have good excellent equipment and they don't charge nearly as much as Dale does and Dale runs around like a good old boys club and are very rude and unprofessional. I suggest paying Dale less and having Fremont cover the western part of our town, like New London does to the north of our town</p>
<p>We need more options than CenturyLink, Poor service and mixed speeds throughout the town. 3gb is not high speed. The park next to the town hall is nice. It would be great to have nature and atv trails around the town.</p>
<p>I wish we had different and better options for internet and a few of the roads in the area are in rough shape.</p>
<p>We get poor phone reception, and few, crappy choices for internet.</p>
<p>CenturyTel is the only option for services and they do not provide the best options. Cell service is spotty depending on where you live.</p>
<p>I believe that the trash &amp; recycling containers should be larger, or have two of each, to avoid trash bags being thrown out along the road.</p>
<p>See the above comment. Still drop cell calls near Bean City and below the ridge at Highway W and Gruetzmacher Rd. Sometimes also on Manske Rd between Bean City and Sommer</p>
<p>They leave the doors open in the winter time. Made me angry!</p>
<p>Trash, I have to haul my trash about an 1/8 mile to the nearest cross road. This is BS, Internet service is limited to Hugesnet ant that is far from ideal. Cell phone service is poor with all carriers. In todays world cell phone and internet are necessities and we are need reliable services.</p>
<p>Rarely, if ever, see a patrol car.</p>
<p>Ambulance - We are so far out from it. Cell phone - always dropping calls - changed multiple carriers.</p>
<p>Cell phone coverage is poor and inconsistent. Aurora has 1 clinic in Fremont with limited services.</p>
<p>We will suffer slower growth in higher income family growth if we don't address high speed internet access very soon.</p>
<p>The internet service is so bad it hinders both my husband and myself to work from home, both our employers offer this but we cannot.</p>
<p>Rawhide problems - runaways - break ins. No updates on all the police calls to Rawhide in the Press Star or any news papers. Why is it all hidden?</p>
<p>Either non-existent or poor reception.</p>

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<p>Already mentioned the concern re: speed limit, we have lots of young children living on Hwy W - we'd like to be able to walk w/out cars speeding by and honking at us, we live here we are not passing thru!!</p>
<p>We have high speed internet through Century Link and is NOT adequate or predictable. We had a fiber optic cable installed down our road by C.L. last year but it hasn't changed anything.</p>
<p>Century Link is only Internet Provider - slow speed and poor infrastructure.</p>
<p>Concerned with railroad tracks in Dale impeding Fire/EMS from arriving in a timely manner.</p>
<p>Phone service "Land Lines" - For the past 5 to 6 months been calling Century Link to fix a problem with the 667 and 446 lines - their no record of us calling "Because they hang up on us " or you can't understand the person answering calls - may check with Sue Mathisen 446-3936</p>
<p>Current internet is useless - we will change as soon as I find something better.</p>
<p>We are in desperate need of internet service and reliable cellphone service. We are living in the dark ages. We can't pay bills online, contact government agencies, work from home. PLEASE fix this.</p>
<p>Cell phone calls always drop where we are located and down by the R on Cutoff Road we get no cell phone reception.</p>
<p>There is no high speed internet available where we live. Satellite is only option and it is not great. Cell phone reception is iffy. Have to go outside to make a call. Many side roads could use maintenance or widening (Kanaman, Bean City, Manske) due to higher traffic. Hwy 45 should be 4 lanes, dangerous turning off of.</p>
<p>High speed internet is rare and expensive basic internet through Century Link is 1.5mhps. They call that high speed but it is very slow. It is barely enough to watch a smart TV.</p>
<p>Never see police Cell coverage is atrocious with dropped calls constantly. But Century Link is so terrible, I don't want to deal with them for home phone or interment either.</p>
<p>Signal strength and speed for Verizon, Cellcom, Cellular One weak or non-existent. CenturyTel DSL slow.</p>
<p>Have terrible cell phone and internet, need new towers.</p>
<p>Cell phone coverage is bad - drop calls.</p>
<p>High speed internet: CenturyLink is the only real option in my area (no cable TV available here) and it has been slower than it was in the past over the last several months.</p>
<p>Because we have woods all around us, high speed internet doesn't work as well as we'd like. As we are driving in some areas, cell phones won't have coverage.</p>

**Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia - For each item above that you rated "poor" or "very poor," please share your specific concerns in the space below (Continued).**

Timeliness of plowing is good - too much concern after about plowing road signs and ditches - damaging yards, driveways and mail boxes.
Limited choices Dropped calls.
Internet service is terrible - we need more options.
High speed internet of 25 mbps is not high speed. For us that live in this area we are stuck with very unreliable internet and for me it actually effects my job. We deserve affordable high speed internet just like other areas are getting. We need cable/spectrum in our area.

**Which concerns about telecommunications towers should be considered (choose all that apply) (Other):**

Coverage
Dangers of radio frequencies are becoming more alarming, don't need any more exposure!
All of these elements need to be considered and sometimes limited but reasonableness should always prevail.
Build all the towers.
Need more towers in Town.
Whatever it takes to get faster internet speeds and better cell coverage.
Let's get a tower first.
Mostly hidden from view important.
Restrictions that are safety related or over population of towers if they are not needed for service. People not liking them is not a good reason to deny service...make sure they are denied service if the decision goes that way.
I have no knowledge.
Already have one (tower) in backyard.
Coverage area-all should be considered, but coverage is key.
Yikes. I certainly don't want one in my backyard, especially if there are no restrictions.

**Are you opposed to roadway advertising/billboards (Other)?**

I guess it's okay along highways, in small quantities, but believe they should have to be regulated/professionally designed. I detest the "billboard" on Brehmer and Hwy 45.
As above, with limits and reasonableness.
Only if it is very dense and the lighting illuminates the night's sky. For example Hwy 41 by Oshkosh.
As long as they aren't continuously lit up at night.
Please no pro life or religious billboards nearby.
NO BILLBOARDS PLEASE!!!
OK with it on highway 96.
Limited on highways-no lights.
If not a distraction to drivers.
Maybe - depends on size.
Maybe - very minimal advertising - some informational.
Yes, opposed and billboards without approval should be removed.
I am not opposed to billboards, but I think there should be a limit on the number allowed, because they do NOT add to natural beauty.
Maybe - I know they are not allowed on the new 4-lane highway 10 in our township!

**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**How strongly do you feel that the Town of Caledonia should identify, protect, and preserve the following list of natural resources (Other):**

People

**How strongly do you feel that the Town of Caledonia should identify, protect, and preserve the following list of natural resources (Comments):**

I think nature/green space should be preserved to ensure a rural feel, but I'm not particular about which type of nature or how it's accomplished.
How would you protect and preserve farmland and grasslands? Are you considering forbidding a farmer from selling his farm to a developer, are you considering buying the farms and grassland, or are we going to pass laws that prohibit or limit the number of acres? Way too many question for this topic.
The State of Wisconsin is doing such a POOR JOB protecting our natural resources. If we have to step up, let's make sure we are protecting these resources locally.

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**How strongly do you feel that the Town of Caledonia should identify, protect, and preserve the following list of natural resources (Comments - Continued):**

Powered parachutes destroy the tranquility of the town, disrupt the wildlife, and make family functions unbearable. Should have noise limits in the town.
I am very much in favor of protecting our natural lands and natural resources. Sometimes the rules and regulations are too much though.
Did not move here to use a park. City people need parks.
The natural habitat protection is very important to us.
Do not let the Canadian National expand by additional dual tracks - they could do this in more rural type counties like west of City of Waupaca.
My husband had a stroke and needs to take walks for exercise - there are a number of other people who take walks on this road as well. He cannot move quickly to get off onto the gravel and be stable!!
Again, the limestone ledge area north of Readfield is an area of great natural beauty that could be an attraction for visitors if it were set up something like a county park.
Try to keep rural feel as grow.
Nice town Seems nice and clean.

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## TRANSPORTATION

Please choose your level of agreement with the following statements (Comments).

Roads are in great shape; however, with the amount of tractor traffic it would be ideal to have wider roads so you don't have to pull off the paved road when you encounter a tractor coming from the opposite direction. Walking/biking lanes would be amazing - especially if there were more destinations for the trails!

Walk ways would be nice but a second priority to road condition.

We love to walk and ride bikes, I am concerned with all the extra costs associated with bike lanes and sidewalks. Installation and upkeep. I would go along with road projects adding a foot or two to upcoming projects to give a little more room for these activities for safety reasons.

Perhaps bike lanes and sidewalks along highways but I don't feel there is a need on less traveled roads.

We bike all the time and would highly utilize bike paths for exercise and transportation!

Absolutely biking lanes or a trail that runs along side of Hwy W in particular. I really like to bike but will not go on W (the road I live on) because it is too dangerous. I'd happily give the right-a-way for a trail built on our land. Northern Wisconsin has done this with great success (Boulder Junction/St. Germain area).

The recent approval of a true roads 5 year and long range plan has ensured that roads are better maintained and reviewed on a regular basis. The current supervisor tasked with roads is very responsive to residents.

**Please choose your level of agreement with the following statements (Comments - Continued).**

How are speed limits enforced in the Town of Caledonia. IF we make bike lanes/walking lanes, the speed of vehicles is an imperative to monitor.
Still don't think I would trust a bike or walk lane on 96 or any other hwy around here because of the curves and speed limits.
Roads to narrow for bike lanes and walking lanes.
Town needs to respond quicker in clearing snow off all roads. I.e. should not wait until storm is over or should not wait until the morning shift to start. Tired of seeing snow plows on the road when snow has already been cleared.
I like to walk and bike along the highways, but disagree that taxpayer money should be spent to widen the roads for walking/biking - it would also require removal of large mature trees and woods. I would prefer to see a trail that links to the Wisconsin trail in Medina.
Attempts should be made to connect to existing biking and walking trails.
If elderly or retired people want to stay in the township this will be important.
I would like to see ATV being allowed along the roads.
It would be nice to have public trails, particularly along the Hwy W corridor, since there is not a safe way to bike or walk along this road.
Didn't move here to have bike or walk lanes. We all have property to walk and ride on.
No one should be on a public roadway with so many distracted drivers unless they want to get injured or killed.
We need to increase the road maintenance budget! State of Wisconsin has reduced funds sent to us. Many roads need repair, but we have minimal funds.
Kanamann Road is being used far more heavily by non-residents rather than town residents. Traffic loads are creating a dangerous situation. I will move out of town if not addressed in some fashion.
The (new) county trunk W is absolutely terrible to walk or bike on. The road has turned into a race track. Posted speeds should be 45mph that way the people might slow down to 65 mph. Should have radar on it from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
We need a safe and stable place to walk, bike, skate/rollerblade.
We would very much like to see biking/walking lanes added along our public roadways for safety reasons and to encourage those activities.
Biking and walking lanes are not necessary as long as speed limits are enforced for safety
Town roads are too narrow to add bike or walking lanes.
The town should consider using private businesses more versus just using the County for road creation and maintenance. The county is an expensive option for the taxpayers. Highway 45 is dangerous to turn off of - need turn lanes.
It is very dangerous turning off of Hwy 45. Traffic travels faster than speed limit and don't slow down when vehicles are stopped waiting to turn. Cars pull out into on coming traffic rather than slow down or stop for vehicles turning off of Hwy.
Biking lanes would be desirable but should be in designated areas separate from the road right of way if possible not on shoulder.
Create several trails with donations of land/grants/or other contributions.

**Please choose the appropriate answer for your situation regarding the following statements (Comments).**

Would like to see reduction in train and truck traffic.
I live on W and the truck traffic is loud and scary when I am attempting to walk. The long train delays in Dale are often 5 to 8 minutes definitely impacting travel into the Valley.
It's mostly the engine breaking on Hy45 near Kanaman Rd.
Trains should not have to blow whistle at night especially when there are crossing gates and lights. STOP BLOWING THE HORN.
The amount of truck traffic is terrible on 45, dump trucks and semis. The use of jack brakes in front of our house causes things to fall off the walls and tables. The speed limit is too high approaching 45/96 cars never slow down. Traffic on the weekends causes backups to our house
As long as the heavy truck traffic is relegated to truck routes built to support them I'm fine with them. I'm not sure what the Town wants to do about the amount of trains. The railroads are regulated by the federal government and are as powerful as the utility companies. I'm happy that they have repaved the crossings in the area but to enforce a horn ban the Town will have to pay a lot of money to install the appropriate barriers needed to stop cars from going around the gates or worse yet build overpasses. The Canadian National line is a major artery between Western Canada and Chicago, this line will be very busy for a long time and because the railroad was here since the 1870's, residents will have to live with the noise and long trains.
Doesn't a lot of trains and trucks mean the economy is doing well?
Rawhide traffic again is ridiculous. They speed all the time! Dangerous and loud!
The number of trains moving between 10PM and 7AM is unbelievable. Sometimes 3-4 trains in two hour segment. Plus they blow there horn at intersections that no vehicles cross the whole night!!!!
The trains in particular are louder, faster and more frequent in the recent years. There are times when 3 trains go by in the course of 15-20 minutes. We are unable to have a conversation or watch TV when a train goes by. In the night, they sometimes wake us up; especially with the horns blowing...some are really long and loud, others not quite as bad but bad enough. This really negates one of the reasons people live out in the country, peace and quiet. Being close enough to the quarries on Guhl Rd also have an impact; I'm much less likely to walk on that road as I was when I first moved here. Those are big trucks coming and going from Go Green. I'm grateful that the push for frac sand mining has diminished here in our town.
It is rare that I am able to leave my home and travel to Hwy. 96 without encountering a train. I always build at least 5-10 minutes into my travel time because of train traffic. At times, the trains move very slowly or stop on the tracks, blocking traffic for 5-10 minutes. Re: trucks One must be very careful about trucks exiting the gravel pit on Guhl Road because the trucks do not always come to a complete stop before entering the town road.

**Please choose the appropriate answer for your situation regarding the following statements (Comments - Continued).**

How about the train whistles? Sheesh, 24 hours/day and how often do they sound the whistles? Is this a requirement? At 3 AM, it does seem excessive. A informational email to town residents would be helpful. I don't like to complain, but sleeping with windows open is a rarity for me.
Create Quiet Zones and speed limits for trains.
Sometimes I cannot get out of my driveway for several min.
Rawhide Boys Ranch has frequent traffic and larger trucks/trailers that drive too fast. This was a bigger concern when my kids were small, but I have neighbors with young kids that I worry for their safety.
Trains aren't the problem, it's their horns at all hours of the day. They blow them too much and too often. It is ridiculous in the early morning hours to blow their horns so much in an extremely rural light traffic area.
The new truck traffic along Guhl Rd is annoying. Going for walks on the road is hard and driving is difficult. Also the noise and the dust from the trucks is obnoxious.
They affect us every day, but not necessarily bad. Except when I am late for work, because of waiting for a train in Dale.
We don't travel south as often any longer.
We chose to move here. The railroad and feed mill were already here. If we don't like either, then we should not have chose to live here.
Gravel trucks from the many quarries in our area cause serious damage and premature wear to our roads! The quarries and truckers do NOT pay a fair proportion of taxes to support our road budget!
Too many CN trains per hour; noise level is substantial if you live close to. Trucks - probably nothing can be done about this.
Rawhide trucks and deliveries (high speed).
Large SLOW farm equipment on Hwy 45 is a real pain! Causes large back ups.
There are many semis that travel this road - isn't this damaging not to mention unsafe.
I would not build a home near the train tracks due to the noise. The same goes for a major highway.
Have to wait sometimes in Dale for train or take a different way to avoid it. Semi traffic on Hwy 45 is heavy and takes a toll on the roads.
Truck traffic should be limited to a specific route to limit road damage.
Could trains not blow their whistles? That would help. Farm equipment and trucks are hazards with such narrow roads. Wide tractors just don't allow cars to fit around them = dangerous.
Increased train traffic over the past several years and non-metallic mining has decreased quality of life because of noise.
Heavy commercial truck traffic on top of Steinburg lane and Cty Trk W (dangerous).
I don't think trains cause any problems not does truck traffic cause problems.
Now that we gave lights and gates at RR crossings - can we get a "no horn" set up - like Oshkosh does?

**Please choose the appropriate answer for your situation regarding the following statements (Comments - Continued).**

When a 4-lane highway is built 200 feet from your home, you will NEVER get a good night sleep again! Semi noise is awful! The smell of exhaust is awful! DAILY!! Should be a law against this!

**How appropriate are the following types of economic/business development for the Town of Caledonia (Comments):**

Good luck-they will get taxed out of business.
The businesses in the Township are going to reflect the need for them. Currently there is a substantial need for agriculture support such as Larsen Coop etc. I would oppose the large scale dairy farms though. Sure they smell horrible but the amount of waste that is produced can risk the water supply for everyone. Cash crop farms are more manageable and would support local businesses that are already here. I foresee the Town of Caledonia becoming a bedroom community over the next 20 years. With that said there will be a number of businesses that will come to cater to these needs such as convenience, grocery stores, restaurants, daycare's etc. I would love it if Kwik Trip would locate to the corner of Highway 45 and 96 or by the Highway 10/45 interchange. With the potential growth will there need to be public utilities such as water and sewer to support this? Can the residents support the infrastructure needed to make this possible?
The Readfield community should be kept as a rural setting, and buck the trend of how quickly a buck can be made.
We got excited when we saw that something was being built on 96 by Hunters, until we saw it was a huge storage garage complex. Ugly already and it's not even completed. Not complimentary to what we had hoped Caledonia would want in our "downtown" area. I've heard the same comment from other residents. Definitely not a draw for people considering moving to our community. We were hoping in would be something more in keeping with the needs of our residents, like convenience shopping, small cottage industry type business, daycare, something like that. Bummer.
This is a poorly-phrased question: just because a business / industry / or personal interest is legal in the Township, does NOT make it "appropriate". Too many factors go into considering "appropriateness". A better term would be "desirable"; and that would change some votes.
I am opposed to frac sand mining especially when it impacts nearby resident areas.
If we are looking at mega-farms, we must be sure about water quality for surrounding homes. Privately owned campgrounds must be outside residential areas, similar to the campground where 96 meets 49 and 10.
The storage sheds going up all over the place are an eyesore! (Readfield) They look so ugly, they may be necessary but can they be placed out of sight? Grow trees around them?

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**How appropriate are the following types of economic/business development for the Town of Caledonia (Comments):**

The new storage on 96 being built is an eyesore already.
Have strong concerns in regard to the effects of businesses on ground water. Must be closely monitored, water quality is an attraction to this area.
Again, if I don't like what's around me, then I need to move where those things are.
More small business is needed to provide services and to contribute taxes to our town.
We need better enforcement of existing county zoning ordinances for inappropriate/non-conforming use of properties in the town.
Caledonia has an appropriate number of bars and bars/food types. More walking and biking trails would be appreciated.
We bought our house in a rural area so we could enjoy a quiet laid back community not one where we are awoken by speeding cars and trucks starting at 5:00 a.m.
Businesses need to be good neighbors. Adding businesses to area that drive out neighbors should be avoided.
Large mega farms - quarries, frac mining threaten our quality of life.
Town's too small for most.

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**Please feel free to add your comments on specific concerns not addressed in the survey that you would like the Planning Commission to consider when revising the Town of Caledonia Comprehensive Plan.**

Keeping taxes low should remain a priority.
We are a rural setting and heavy industry is OK if their is a industrial park set for it.
It would seem that the Town of Caledonia pays taxes for all of Waupaca county. How can a home in the Town of Fremont-same size, worth, acres be so much less in taxes?
I enjoy living here and realize that country living does come with shortcomings in certain areas. The town government seems to do a good job managing the day to day business of the town. I do believe that our taxes are higher than I feel they should be. Graichen Sanitation does a very good job.
In keeping with the infrastructure theme I would be hesitant to encourage apartment complexes or multi-family housing units. Unless a costly infrastructure upgrade to address water and sewer usage and needs is undertaken by Readfield or the township I cannot see the viability of these type of facilities. Another observance I have is when first constructed multi-family units fetch a decent rent and are in good condition. As they age the residents that are willing to pay higher rent for a nice place move on to a newer facility and the rent goes down to keep units filled. The tenants that can afford the lower rent at times bring with them crime and domestic issues. Property values in this area decrease and after a while the tax base can no longer support the infrastructure needed for the facilities. This causes strain on others in the community to increase the amount in taxes paid to maintain those areas. Keeping Caledonia rural by encouraging single family subdivisions where lots are an acre at a minimum would most likely be the most sustainable growth for this community.

**Please feel free to add your comments on specific concerns not addressed in the survey that you would like the Planning Commission to consider when revising the Town of Caledonia Comprehensive Plan (Continued).**

One concern I have is horses on the town roads. I have no problem with them being on the roads, but they do leave a large pile of horse droppings. Why can't the owners be respectable enough to have buckets on their horses to control this type of littering. Which legally it is littering.

Tax Rate is too high compared to other county's.

It is important to work to keep and enhance the rural nature of Caledonia, looking beyond what was just the needs of farmers in the past. I would like us to find ways to attract a diversity of residents where all feel welcome, not those who have lived in this area all their lives. I've been a resident of Caledonia for almost 37 years and still have the feeling of being an outsider, which I know is typical of small communities but anything we can do to be intentional in attracting people outside of current residents is very important. With the Fox Valley expanding, more people are looking for places outside of the cities that provide a good quality of life and feeling of community. Intentional living areas, described on a previous page, with shared green space, combined with basic amenities, and a trail system to tie it together, is definitely a great way to attract new residents to our community. Enjoying a country lifestyle which doesn't include mowing acres of land in the summer and feeling isolated from neighbors in the winter would really help. We have friends who would like to live out in the country but can't find any homes around here that are smaller for empty-nesters. It could be a real niche for Caledonia as we think about the future. Farming will always be very important but there are other needs as well. Thanks for your work! Nancy Schanke

"Urban Sprawl" is a hot topic and the source of division between interest groups, residents, and government entities. It is critical that everyone understands what true urban sprawl is. I would argue that Caledonia Twp. has pockets of it, disguised as "rural living".

I have not had to access police or fire coverage which is why I rated it average. I DID have to access ambulance service on a very cold and snowy night in January. I am grateful for the EMTs who responded and how much they helped me out. We are lucky to have the hospital proximity in New London or I would have had to go to Appleton. I am appreciative of the recent road updates. It does seem that Highway W is taking a long time to be open for use. Is it the center lining or the side lines that are taking the time. Communication is paramount to eliminate "bitching" about things like this. With most folks having internet, is there a website for the Town of Calendonia, that should be sent to residents so that we can access to get updates.

This area can be a nice place to live, we need to have more things to do, if you don't like fishing there isn't much to do in this area, increase the high speed internet availability (think fiber-optic), and do things to make this place more beautiful, stop the building of ugly structures, or hide them.

Eliminate the noise pollution! Subdivisions were planned, approved and developed - eliminate the noise to improve the quality of life of those residents.

We moved from Appleton for the small town/country life so making this more like that I believe is not what people are looking for.

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**Please feel free to add your comments on specific concerns not addressed in the survey that you would like the Planning Commission to consider when revising the Town of Caledonia Comprehensive Plan (Continued).**

As I see parts of all communities grow older and become a bit neglected in areas, I would investigate rules that make residents responsible for taking care of the property they own. In my mind taking older residential, agricultural, industrial or commercial areas and rejuvenating them is a much more efficient use of resources than taking virgin area and creating new developments. Owner's and government need to be responsible for taking care of what they have before taking on new projects. In order for someone to start a new project they should first be able to prove that they are taking care of what they have. Jason Sturn 920-858-4355

Please consider lowering taxes in the town of Caledonia! If we see no improvements at all based on the results of this survey, then we are being GROSSLY overtaxed compared to our neighboring town of Mukwa. The same property size and value in Mukwa pays HALF the taxes as we do here in Caledonia. They have better services (i.e. Cable TV/Cell coverage/fire protection response time) then Caledonia residents and pay HALF the taxes we do for the comparable property size. Even if we DO see improvements in the town of Caledonia based on the results of this survey (and I hope we do see improvements), we should NOT see any tax increases! We've paid high taxes for many years in this township and there should be more than enough tax money banked for us to have improvements without tax increased.

Subdivisions property taxes need to be reevaluated and they shouldn't pay at lower agricultural rates since they are housing not farming.

Taking away my drive way was very poor decision for us as now we have a longer driveway that is normally blown shut in the winter and undriveable. Now will impact getting to work on time and children out to the bus through deep drifted snow and no way out of our driveway to get them to school. Should have been discussed with home owners to come up with a better alternative. Address has to change also, major inconvenience! I don't feel there is a need for storage units in the Caledonia township. Road repairs take way too long. Road can be completed in a few weeks not years and months. Major inconvenience Again. Tax collection is only one day, Normal people have jobs and cannot get to the township to pay and have to make other arrangements. Even on Saturdays, plus probably wont be able to get out of the long drifted shut driveway to pay for them.

Water Quality, Noise Levels, Zoning Businesses to limited areas.

Affordable High Speed Internet for all residents is a must! My kids struggled with it for school projects and I'm sure it is 10 X worse for kids to complete school projects that are all internet based. It also is a must for potential home businesses or remote access from work in poor weather, sick kids, etc.. This should be a priority!

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**Please feel free to add your comments on specific concerns not addressed in the survey that you would like the Planning Commission to consider when revising the Town of Caledonia Comprehensive Plan (Continued).**

The Town of Caledonia is a rural "community". It appears we have city dwellers who moved here for the open air and now are pushing for more city conveniences and making sure their property investment is a growth investment instead of for the reason they moved here initially which is the country atmosphere. (Possibly they moved here because lots were lower cost...don't mess with the rural status.) Moving next to a farm and complaining about the smell is someone who is not showing enough intelligence to be able to make a purchasing decision.

A walking trail that would connect to the WLOWASH trail system that could be used for the Snowmobiles in the winter and biking and walking in the summer would increase the recreation in the town.

I support anything that gets people involved in the community and supports the natural environment that this area is known for.

None, thank you.

Preserving farmland and woodland is important. Some of the best farm land now has houses planted on it (petit farm)  
There is marginal farmland that can be used for housing without reducing agricultural production.

The small town vibe is something that is dispersing in a lot of community's, we need to keep that. We need to try to keep the community together, it feels like the town board/ planning commission wants our little town to turn into Greenville. Caledonia has been a farming community forever but the last 15 years it seems they want the farmer to fail by letting all these subdivisions go in or making more hoops for them to jump through or plain charging them because their land happens to need a ditch that has never been there since the road was built or they want to clean out a drainage ditch so help drain their land or making the land value so high that farmers can't even afford to buy more land. we need to look back and see where we came from and keep that in mind when making all these asinine rules/laws. It seems that the people in the community that have the deepest pockets are the ones that are heard or get their way, it was blood, sweat and hard work that built this town more than the green back that made this community the way it is.

We need more options than CenturyLink, Poor service and mixed speeds throughout the town. 3gb is not high speed. The park next to the town hall is nice. It would be great to have nature and atv trails around the town.

We need as many options as available for high speed internet and cable tv. At this point our only option, and not a very good one, is CenturyLink

It would also be nice to have a regular grocery store near by.

The traffic on hwy96 is terrible and always speeding. This hwy has many intersections and driveways. I have witnessed many near misses with farm machinery and other vehicles. It is only a matter of time before a major accident occurs.

Now that most travelers have hwy 10 as a high speed option it would be nice if we could get the speed limit dropped between Fremont and the hwy 45 intersection.

**Please feel free to add your comments on specific concerns not addressed in the survey that you would like the Planning Commission to consider when revising the Town of Caledonia Comprehensive Plan (Continued).**

<p>Where do we get to complain about the blow off, from corn, drying at the mill? Why do multiple busses pick up at single homes, and run the same roads. Why couldn't they transfer kids at schools? Gas and drivers cost too much!</p>
<p>We need to protect our rural setting but we also have to keep up with the times to attract future growth and services. Attracting growth will mean that we have to keep up with the times and build an infrastructure that will attract families to the township.</p>
<p>We are unhappy with the tax burden compared to other WI communities.</p>
<p>Moved here for privacy, quiet seclusion. All this stuff is found in the city. Trying to escape the city.</p>
<p>Develop commercial business like gas station @ Rt 96 and Rt 45 intersection! PLEASE!!</p>
<p>To preserve the rural setting do not allow or promote 4-6-8 family type apartment buildings. Preserving ability to have family type horse facilities and activities Do not be like Greenville Lot sizes should be minimum of 2 acres.</p>
<p>Lowering speed limits and signs and some sort of accountability and/or enforcement.</p>
<p>Why don't we have tornado sirens? Please offer more protection for children getting on busses. Commuters often speed by and avoid following traffic signs.</p>
<p>Please do something to provide internet service to ALL tax payers in the town.</p>
<p>No comment section for the Housing and Development section. Rental units for young adults or aging population. Also need stricter rules for developers and subdivisions. If allowing subdivisions, all roads must be up to county standards BEFORE lots can be sold. The developer must register the subdivision with the state and pay all fees for converting the land, not just sell lots and market it as a subdivision with when these requirements are not met.</p>
<p>Most important issues are to protect natural resources water especially drinking water and recreational water. Quarries and mines threaten our property values.</p>
<p>I'd like rules enforced. No sense making rules about horses, truck routes, speed limits, etc. if no one cares if the rules are broken.</p>
<p>Develop ordinance re "outdoor" clutter and strage and sales promothion of used quipment, etc. with appropriate enforcement.</p>
<p>Please continue to consider the natural beauty and rural nature of our area in your planning. We chose to live here for these qualities and would not like to see overdevelopment.</p>
<p>In regards to residential growth - NO - It doesn't lower my property tax so no NEVER.</p>
<p>The size of the town.</p>

# Town of Caledonia Community Survey

Thank you for sharing your thoughts with the Town of Caledonia Plan Commission - **we appreciate your time on these important matters!** Your answers will be **completely confidential** and will only be shared in the aggregate, tallied with all other answers we receive. The survey should be returned or postmarked by September 30. If you have any questions, please contact the Town of Caledonia clerk. **Thank you!**

Alternatively, you may take this survey online at: <http://bit.ly/2wUfFGG>

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## Quality of Life

How would you rate the overall quality of life in the Town of Caledonia?

- Very good
- Good
- Average
- Poor
- Very Poor



University of Wisconsin-Extension

Identify the importance of the following quality of life issues that influenced your decision to live in the Town of Caledonia.

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	No Opinion
Housing Cost	<input type="radio"/>				
Property taxes	<input type="radio"/>				
Crime rate	<input type="radio"/>				
Natural beauty/surroundings	<input type="radio"/>				
Small town atmosphere/ rural lifestyle	<input type="radio"/>				
Born here or nearby/close to family and friends	<input type="radio"/>				
Proximity to job	<input type="radio"/>				
Proximity to the Fox Valley	<input type="radio"/>				
Schools	<input type="radio"/>				
Recreational opportunities	<input type="radio"/>				
Proximity to convenience store/gas station	<input type="radio"/>				
Other	<input type="radio"/>				

Comments.

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Rate the quality of the following services in the Town of Caledonia.

	Very Good	Good	Average	Poor	Very Poor	No opinion
Fire protection	<input type="radio"/>					
Police protection	<input type="radio"/>					
Ambulance service	<input type="radio"/>					
Access to health care (hospital, clinics, assisted living, nursing homes)	<input type="radio"/>					
High speed internet	<input type="radio"/>					
Mobile (cell) phone coverage	<input type="radio"/>					
Park and recreation facilities	<input type="radio"/>					
Public School System	<input type="radio"/>					
Elementary school	<input type="radio"/>					
Middle School	<input type="radio"/>					
High School	<input type="radio"/>					
Recycling/trash pick up/composting programs	<input type="radio"/>					
Road maintenance	<input type="radio"/>					
Other	<input type="radio"/>					

Comments.

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For each item above that you rated "poor" or "very poor," please share your specific concerns in the space below.

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Which telecommunications services should the Town consider supporting improvements in:  
(choose all that apply)

- High speed internet
- Cell phone coverage/service
- Cable television
- None
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Which concerns about telecommunications towers should be considered (choose all that apply):

- Number of towers (density in the Town)
  - Location of Towers
  - Height of towers
  - Lighting of towers
  - None/No restrictions
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
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Are you opposed to roadway advertising/billboards?

- Yes
- Maybe
- No
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Natural Resources

How strongly do you feel that the Town of Caledonia should identify, protect, and preserve the following list of natural resources:

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Farmland	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prairie land/grasslands	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
River corridors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wetlands	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Woodlands	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wildlife corridors (land that knits together wetlands, woods, & fields)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments.

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## Housing & Development

Residential growth is desirable in the Town of Caledonia.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

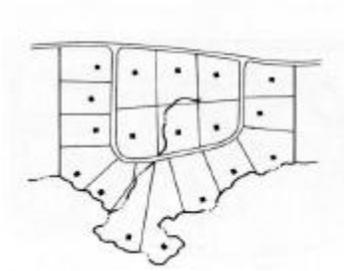
More of the following housing units are needed in the Town of Caledonia:

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Affordable housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Condominiums	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Apartments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Duplexes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing subdivisions (fill existing subdivisions first)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing subdivisions (create new subdivisions)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Seasonal & recreational homes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Single family housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Traditionally, rural housing developments have been designed on large lots as in the Option A diagram. An alternative layout is the “cluster” concept, which has smaller lots and permanently preserved open space as in Option B. Please choose one to indicate your preference.

Option A

**OPTION A**



Option B

**OPTION B**



## Transportation

Please choose your level of agreement with the following statements.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
The overall road network (roads and highways) of the Town of Caledonia meets the needs of its residents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The overall condition of roads in the Town of Caledonia is acceptable for present needs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Biking lanes and walking lanes would be desirable along public roadways in the Town of Caledonia.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments.

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Please choose the appropriate answer for your situation regarding the following statements.

	Substantially	Moderately	Minimally	No impact at all	No opinion
To what degree does the number of trains daily impact your activities and/or your quality of life?	<input type="radio"/>				
To what degree does heavy commercial truck traffic impact your activities and/or your quality of life?	<input type="radio"/>				

Comments.

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## Agriculture & Land Use

How important is it that farmland be retained for agricultural purposes in the Town?

- Very Important
- Somewhat Important
- Neither Important nor Unimportant
- Somewhat unimportant
- Not at all important

## Economic Development

How appropriate are the following types of economic/business development for the Town of Caledonia:

	Very appropriate	Somewhat appropriate	Somewhat inappropriate	Very inappropriate	No opinion
Ag production (crops and livestock)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct sales of farm products (vegetables, fruit, meat, trees)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Corporate/large scale farms (over 700 dairy cows or 1,000 beef steers/cows, large scale poultry or pig farms)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ag service businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Farming and other equipment resale	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Retail/commercial	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Convenience stores/gas stations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Grocery Stores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Daycare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Storage businesses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dog boarding & kennels	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Privately owned campgrounds/resorts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Golf courses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Shooting ranges for firearms	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Archery ranges	<input type="radio"/>				
Commercial compost site (area residents drop off materials)	<input type="radio"/>				
Community based residential facilities (adult day care, assisted living, nursing homes, etc)	<input type="radio"/>				
Home based businesses (beauty salon, small machine repair, professional accounting services, etc)	<input type="radio"/>				
Industrial/manufacturing	<input type="radio"/>				
Gravel pits (non-metallic mining)	<input type="radio"/>				
Frac sand mining	<input type="radio"/>				
Junk/Salvage yards	<input type="radio"/>				
Auto repair	<input type="radio"/>				
Other	<input type="radio"/>				

Comments.

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Please feel free to add your comments on specific concerns not addressed in the survey that you would like the Planning Commission to consider when revising the Town of Caledonia Comprehensive Plan.

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## Demographics.

Your answers will be completely confidential and will only be shared in the aggregate. They will be tallied with all other answers we receive. They are not linked to any individual's records.

What is your gender?

- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to share

Which age range best describes your current age?

- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65+

Please share your current employment status.

- Employed outside the home
- Self-employed
- Unemployed
- Retired
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Which of the following best describes your residential status in the Town of Caledonia?

- Farmland owner
- Rural resident (non-farm)
- Non-resident landowner
- Renter
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults age 18 or older in your household: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children under 18 in your household: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a town resident, how long have you lived in the Town of Caledonia?

- Less than 1 year
- More than 1 year, but less than 5 years
- At least 5 years, but less than 10 years
- At least 10 years, but less than 15 years
- At least 15 years, but less than 20 years
- At least 20 years, but less than 30 years
- 30 years or more
- I do not reside in the Town of Caledonia

Please share your highest level of education:

- Less than high school
- High school graduate
- Some college/tech
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Advanced degree

Please share your annual household income range

- Less than \$24,999
- \$25,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 - \$74,999
- \$75,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 - \$149,999
- \$150,000 or more
- I do not reside in the Town of Caledonia

If one or more adults in your household works outside the home, how many minutes (one-way) each day does it take the one with the furthest commute?

- Less than 20 minutes
- 20 - 45 minutes
- More than 45 minutes
- I do not reside in the Town of Caledonia

**PLEASE RETURN TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:**

TOWN OF CALEDONIA SURVEY  
University of Wisconsin – Extension  
811 Harding Street  
Waupaca, WI 54981

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