

Town of Jacksonport Comprehensive Plan

Compilation of Survey Results

Total Participants :119

All the Survey Participants were **Property Owners**.

Permanent Residence : **58.8%**

Seasonal Residents: **39.5% (Over 3 month Stay: 19%)**

Participant age:

70+ : 42%

60-69 : 36%

50-59 : 12%

49 and under : 4%

	Strongly Disagree		Disagree		Agree		Strongly Agree	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Land Use								
The natural environment is worth preserving.	3	2.52	0	0	11	9.24	103	86.55
Scenic beauty is vital to your community.	3	2.52	1	0.84	12	10.08	101	84.87
Invasive species will impact your community into the future.	3	2.52	5	4.2	46	38.66	64	53.78
Property rights are important to preserve.	2	1.68	1	0.84	33	27.73	81	68.07
Shore-land development negatively impacts the lake.	4	3.36	15	12.61	58	48.74	39	32.77
The town should develop a Nuisance Ordinance prohibiting accumulation of unused appliances, automobiles, construction debris, trash, etc. on one's property.	5	4.2	11	9.24	42	35.29	58	48.74
More parking is needed at boat landings.	8	6.72	58	48.74	29	24.37	8	6.72
Development of agricultural land into another use is acceptable.	24	20.17	32	26.89	51	42.86	9	7.56
The town should consider community/ senior housing.	8	6.72	32	26.89	58	48.74	14	11.76
Current Door County regulations discourage growth in the Town of Jacksonport.	16	13.45	57	47.9	21	17.65	7	5.88

			Satisfied		More		Less		
			#	%	#	%	#	%	
Land Use									
Do you think that there should be MORE or LESS restrictions or are you SATISFIED with the current restrictions on the following?									
Agricultural Practices			79	66.39	25	21.01	8	6.72	
Retail/Commercial Development			55	46.22	45	37.82	13	10.92	
Residential Development			70	58.82	30	25.21	11	9.24	
Roadway Signage			73	61.34	31	26.05	10	8.4	
Access to Lake Michigan			77	64.71	26	21.85	13	10.92	
Shore-land Development			52	43.7	32	26.89	31	26.05	
Agriculture, Natural, and Cultural Resources									
			Yes		No				
			#	%	#	%			
Is groundwater quality and quantity important in the Town?			117	98.32	1	0.84			
	Poor		Fair		Good		Excellent		
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
How would you rate the groundwater quality in Jacksonport?		4	3.36	23	19.33	26	21.85	63	52.94

	Multimodal Trails		Horseback riding Trails		Bike routes/trails		Walking/Hiking trails	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Transportation								
I would support the development of public land for the following uses:	20	16.81	30	25.21	88	73.95	106	89.08
	Poor		Fair		Good		Excellent	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Overall road maintenance	4	3.36	38	31.93	57	47.9	19	15.97
Snow removal	2	1.68	17	14.29	67	56.3	29	24.37
Condition of Town Roads	2	1.68	31	26.05	72	60.5	12	10.08
Condition of County Roads	2	1.68	19	15.97	75	63.03	22	18.49
Condition of State-owned Roads	0	0	10	8.4	74	62.18	33	27.73
Bicycle/Pedestrian Trails	25	21.01	45	37.82	31	26.05	7	5.88
Snowmobile Trails	4	3.36	29	24.37	47	39.5	6	5.04
Safety on roads	18	15.13	38	31.93	53	44.54	9	7.56
Housing								
How would you rate the overall quality of housing? (consider availability, variety, cost, maintenance, etc., of the overall housing.)	6	5.04	40	33.61	45	37.82	10	8.4

Are there any perceived housing problems?		#	%
Lack of workforce housing		72	60.5
Shortage of single-family starter homes		64	53.78
Lack of rental housing/apartments		53	44.54
Need for assisted/senior living apartments		37	31.09
Abandoned or rundown houses/mobile homes		28	23.53
Lack of new housing development		13	10.92
Blighted area(s)		5	4.2
What types of housing development would you like to encourage?			
Single-family homes		53	44.54
Affordable housing		37	31.09
Assisted/Senior living		19	15.97
None		17	14.29
Duplexes		16	13.45
Clustered home development		15	12.61
Condominiums		14	11.76
Apartments		12	10.08
Multi-family residential		6	5.04
Manufactured homes		4	3.36

	Poor		Fair		Good		Excellent	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Utilities and Community Facilities								
How would you rate the following facilities/services in the Town?								
Police/Sheriff protection	1	0.84	17	14.29	69	57.98	31	26.05
Fire protection	0	0	7	5.88	54	45.38	57	47.9
Ambulance/Rescue squad service	5	4.2	16	13.45	45	37.82	50	42.02
Solid waste/recycling services	10	8.4	26	21.85	48	40.34	32	26.89
Parks	2	1.68	3	39.5	47	39.55	65	54.62
Child care facilities	29	24.37	26	21.85	16	13.45	3	2.52
Elderly care facilities	40	33.61	25	21.01	9	7.56	0	0
Education (Public K-12)	2	1.68	9	7.56	34	28.57	46	38..66
Cemeteries	1	0.84	14	11.76	56	47.06	24	220.17
High-speed internet access	66	55.46	24	20.17	21	17.65	4	3.36
Cell phone service	27	22.69	55	46.22	31	26.05	3	2.52
Public access to water resources	4	3.36	29	24.37	52	43.7	27	22.69
	Satisfied		Somewhat satisfied		Somewhat dissatisfied		Dissatisfied	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of life in the Town today?	75	63.03	34	28.57	7	5.88	1	0.84

Economic Development

What types of businesses do you believe should be attracted to the area?		#	%	
Retail development		60	50.42	
Entertainment businesses		31	26.05	
Agricultural businesses		30	25.21	
Medical/Healthcare facilities		27	22.69	
Tech industries		23	19.33	
Light industrial/manufacturing		13	10.92	
If business development is going to take place, in which areas should it be encouraged?				
Selected areas along HWY 57		69	57.98	
Community of Jacksonport		62	52.1	
Selected areas along County HWY V		39	32.77	
Selected areas along County HWY T		20	16.81	
Selected areas along County HWY A		19	15.97	
	Agree		Disagree	
	#	%	#	%
Neighboring units of government should work together to develop common goals.	113	94.96	5	4.2
Would you support sharing services or equipment with a neighboring community if there was a cost savings with no reduction in quality of services?	116	97.48	2	1.68
Do you feel there is enough communication between neighboring communities and counties to make good, sound decisions on related types of issues?	55	46.22	44	36.97

Do you have any safety issues you would like to mention? (Consider Traffic related issues, bike and pedestrian crossings, neighborhood safety, paramedics issues, etc.)

Problem with designated bike lanes and sidewalks or signage

Town is not safely walkable, need crosswalk on 57 in town near the Town Hall Bakery.

We see too many people speeding down Logerquist road as an alternate to A and/or 57.

Crosswalks needed to be better marked and equipped with on-demand flashing lights. That seems to be a county wide project, and perhaps state-supported.

Vehicles traveling too fast down Cave Point and Schauer Rd, Jorns Rd.

Rethink speed limits on all town roads.

The kayak companies' e-bike and bike carriage rentals can be a nuisance and a safety concern in town and on the roads around Cave Point (unsafe riding, breakdowns).

Would like to see the responder station in Jacksonport.

The 45 mph zone on Hwy. 57 between Jacksonport and Baileys Harbor should be better enforced. That stretch is dangerous for bikers and pedestrians.

Some high speed rural intersections have coniferous trees at the corners that block the line of sight of oncoming traffic. If landowners were made aware of and encouraged to remove either the trees or the lower branches it could prevent high speed crashes. Deciduous trees could be thinned or their lower branches removed.

Do you have any other comments or concerns you would like to mention?

Would encourage town to do big-trash pickup twice a year- might reduce accumulation of unused items and debris, referred to in section one.

We need to restrict rapid growth with out a plan

We need Internet services desperately

Need to maintain the rural nature of the Town.

The reasons behind non waterfront restrictions for a garage. It must have well, holding tank, and a residence. Restriction of the size of a storage facility/shed 120sq ft?

The condition of Lakeshore Road remains a problem. While other small lanes have been resurfaced or renovated, Lakeshore seems neglected.

Tall grasses planted in Lakeside Park are a real nuisance.

Similar to others, I am concerned that Door County regulations do not allow for housing for employees of Door County businesses. I am concerned about the NIMBY mindset preventing growth of businesses.

Don't turn our town into Baileys Harbor, Egg Harbor, and Sister Bay.

Please make sure we don't have a big ugly building like the one built in baileys harbor that completely changed the look of the town

Perhaps homeowners should be encouraged to respect the Dark Skies and. Consider making an ordinance about yard lighting . We all, locals and tourists want to maintain some live able habitat for animals and birds. We don't want to be lit like a city. We could lose the charm.

Please do not dump the GA Zoning regs. There are many possibilities for a wide range of uses within the GA zoning. Dairy may be on its way out...but think of equine, beef, hobby farms, orchards... There are provisions in the existing county regs to parcel out smaller family lots within that zoning....education. Spot zoning is a bad practice both for the town and for the county. Our town lacks municipal sewer. That is a hinderance for major development in the core area. It is what it is. Recently the core area incurred a thorough review of POWTS in the core area. People graded and complied...so a new municipal sewer seems unlikely in the near future. But perhaps a space should be left for future needs....decades from now.

I would like to see as much undeveloped land be preserved as possible.

Invest in Schauer Park - add trees, beautify the parking and add picnic benches, etc. So many people use it - it should be lovely and inviting yet environmentally respectful. Significant landscaping investment would pay off over the years, with return visitors and reputation.

I love the quaint, small town feel of Jacksonport. A gas station would be great! Businesses that enhance the park and cater to families should be recruited.

I am concerned about shoreline erosion.

For the taxes we pay, we would expect better access to trash and recycling services. Furthermore, a library would be a welcome addition.

Encourage farmers for sustainable practices. A larger grocery store would be great. Do not turn into Sister Bay or Baileys Harbor.

What is your Vision for Jacksonport? Please complete the following in your own words, "I would like Jacksonport to be..."

We would like Jacksonport to remain a small community with a neighborhood atmosphere. Please do not let things that have happened in Sister Bay, Egg Harbor and now Baileys Harbor happen in Jacksonport. Design some committees to manage future development and hold the line. Thanks

We would like Jacksonport to remain a quiet and low-key, avoiding becoming the hotbed of activity which Egg Harbor has become.

We would like Jacksonport to be a community that keeps its natural beauty, respect its history, keep its parks maintained and remain a quiet, safe community, and have a smart plan in place for its future.

We would like Jacksonport to be a safe haven from noisy bars, and unrestricted business development. Right now, we have a few businesses and that is OK, but if we do not limit the number, we will just become another Sister Bay or Egg Harbor or Fish Creek. Locations of businesses should be placed in appropriate areas so that visitors entering Jacksonport are not confronted with camping grounds or other unsightly structures. Design of buildings should be restricted to architecture that enhances the beauty of Jacksonport. Please, NO, buildings like the one recently erected in Baileys Harbor.

We want Jacksonport to be a quiet residential lakeshore community. It's why we moved here....why a lot of people moved here. Please don't make it a Sister Bay, Fish Creek, Egg Harbor...or the likes of them!!! It's not fair to the residents who CHOSE to live in a quiet community!

Thoughtful growth

The vibe or feel of a Hallmark movie. :-) Development of bike and hiking trails should be encouraged. It would be nice to someday have a small general store, or hardware store. Require owners of abandoned, blight properties to clean up fallen trees, deteriorating buildings, or fined. I am concerned about the poor condition of woods in the town, all the way to the dunes. Who is responsible for forestry of these properties?

Stay on the quiet side; plan development thoughtfully and in keeping with the charm and beauty of the area.

Quiet, inclusive, neighborly, and focused on maintaining the natural environment. Campgrounds and RV parks should be discouraged.
Nice little port side community with a few more shops and restaurants and would like a pier and boat launch to added with a possible restaurant which would bring in boaters to our town to help support the community.
More visually appealing. Would like to see charming street lights and floral displays along HWY 57, similar to those in neighboring communities.
Keep it the way it is
I would love to have a bank, a post office, a gas station....no Dollar Stores. A feed mill..bird seed, dog food, type of store would be cool. Also, there already exists a county nuisance ordinance. Also, duplexes and guest houses are currently acceptable in county zoning. That provides housing for workforce, seniors, affordable housing...
I would like to see Jacksonport continue to be small but allow for guided growth keeping life as simple and fun as it is now.
I would like to see Jacksonport be a little more welcoming for walkers through town and encourage business development in the core area as well as housing on the ridge above the core area for families and workers. Great parks make a great town, and we are in a strong position there. Planning for smart development in the agriculture areas between Cty V and Hwy 57 west of the core area would be a smart 20 years plan. Laying out roadways, pedestrian walkways and even park areas now before development starts would be very forward to thinking and cheaper in the long run.
I would like the Town of Jacksonport to have a few more establishments to go for lunch, bakery, (especially open on regular basis) ice cream. There are enough kayak & adventure establishments...
I would like to Jacksonport to remain the quiet side community it had been before the commercialism of cave point area. With quiet roadways safe to bike, and walk while sharing the road.
I would like jacksonport to preserve its small, quiet profile, with the addition of enterprises that are A) Supportive for year round residents and B) Special and creative to leverage the seasonal customer and contribute useful dollars to Jacksonport infrastructure. I would also like to ensure that agriculture folks are supported and protected and have their freedom preserved to do what they do..... I love what we have - Square Rigger, Mikes, Bleys, the Park, the Bakery, and dont want to lose any of that. A good "destination" home made pizza place would be terrific! And a couple very artistic and creative shops would be wonderful to attract more folks to the businesses we already have.
I would like Jacksonport to make a commitment to the Green Tier initiatives and become part of the DNR's Green Tier Legacy Communities. I love the small-town feeling of Downtown Jacksonport and make a commitment to smart growth.
I would like Jacksonport to be a town with community of smart tech intelligent farmers, gardeners or other agricultural specialists that support and educate about the local, regional fauna and flora.
I would like Jacksonport to be a town where people live, offering services to sustain that population, such as the grocery store, farmers market, bakery, but also restaurants that are not bars and that remain affordable.
a township that balances agriculture and private residences with business growth
A place when our children can come back to raise their families. Not enough 5 acre parcels available
A fun place to live and a close caring community with high speed INTERNET