

WABEDO TOWNSHIP

COMMUNITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



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PREFACE

In 1996 at the annual meeting in March, the Wabedo Township residents agreed with the Town Board of Supervisors' recommendation that there be a Community Plan developed to determine the direction and future growth of the community. In September 1996 the Wabedo Township Planning Commission came into existence and was charged with the development of a Comprehensive Plan. This Planning Commission was comprised of five members appointed by the Town Board of Supervisors and represented both full-time and seasonal landowners in the Township. The Planning Commission works under Minnesota Statute § 462, the planning statute in Minnesota for cities and townships. This Plan was presented in a hearing to the community in 1998, was updated in 2005, and again in 2009, and is the foundation for this new updated Plan in 2022. Plans for this latest update were started in late 2019, but the pandemic delayed completion until now, 2022.

A Comprehensive Plan is a compilation of policy statements, goals, standards, and maps for guiding the physical, social and economic development, both private and public, of the municipality (in this case Wabedo Township) and its environs, and may include, but is not limited to the following: statements of policies, goals, standards, a land use plan, including proposed densities for development, a community facilities plan, a transportation plan, and recommendations for plan execution. A Comprehensive Plan represents the Planning Commission's recommendations for the future development for the community and reflects the community's goals and intentions.

The Components of a Plan usually cover the following:

- Cultural and Natural History of a Community
- Population and Background
- Environment
- Agricultural activities
- Housing / Income data
- Economics
- Transportation System – present and future
- Community Services / Facilities
- Parks, Trails and Recreational Systems
- Land Uses
- Governmental Relationships

These components give a thorough review and a blueprint for a community to decide their future. Although parts of the above components of a Comprehensive Plan explain the story of a community's history and present standing, other portions of the Plan are much more dynamic. A Community Comprehensive Plan is a guide to reflect the desires and direction of the whole community and to help landowners understand where the community wishes the area to be in the future.

This Comprehensive Plan update will be the basis for future discussions to continue. It is hoped that those reading this Plan will take away with them an interest and a desire to help these goals and objectives to be a reality in Wabedo Township. Thank You.

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