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## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

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Many thanks also go out to Fran Dumas, Yates County Historian, Rick Wilson at the Yates County Office of Real Property Services, and Chief Howard Leach and the Dresden Volunteer Fire Department.

## **Survey Results**

The property owner surveyed was sent out on December 16, 2003 and was to be returned to either Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council or the village office by January 16, 2004. The list of addresses was compiled from the Yates County Office of Real Property Services. 146 surveys were sent out with six returned by the post office, so that 140 were assumed to have reached their destination.

Of those 140 surveys, 45 have been filled out and returned to date, which is a very good return rate of 32%.

### ***Question 1***

The average length of residence is over 28 years, which indicates many long term residents in the village. 89% of the respondents live in the village.

### ***Question 2***

22% indicated they would like to see the village continuing in the manner it has, while 62% would like to see targeted investment to encourage tourism while maintaining the primary focus on residents, and 16 % would like to see major investment.

### ***Question 3***

This question was about the desired location for commercial development. 43 respondents answered (two had to be disqualified since they chose “nowhere” with additional answers; “nowhere” was the only exclusive answer. All other selections could be combined).

Multiple answers were common, but it was clear that the residents desire some type of commercial development. Only 9% chose “nowhere” as to the preferred location for commercial development. The most frequent response was that commercial development should occur at the west end of Main Street, with 47% of the respondents choosing this. 42% indicated that development should occur anywhere that doesn’t impact residential areas. 40% indicated that development was appropriate at the village’s historic commercial crossroads, the Seneca/Charles/ Milo Street intersection. 28% indicated that the lakefront was an appropriate place for commercial development. *(Note: these percentages do not equal 100 since multiple choices were possible).*

### ***Question 4***

Two thirds of the respondents (66%) agreed that the village should work with the Friends of the Outlet Trail to develop amenities at the Dresden end of the trail. Only 13% disagreed, the rest were unsure.

### ***Question 5***

Again, two thirds of the respondents (66%) agreed that the village should work to enhance its lakefront properties. Only 7% disagreed, the rest were unsure.

### ***Question 6***

Although this is a moot point at the present, since the Navy has no plans on leaving its facility, its important to gauge citizen opinion on what to do with the prime, publicly owned, if currently inaccessible waterfront parcel. Only 20% indicated that the village should not work to acquire the land should it become available. 20% said that if acquired, it should be used for development, while 44% indicated it should be used for a mix of recreation and development. 16% said it should be used only for recreation. Overall 64% would like to see some sort of recreational use occur there, should the opportunity ever arise.

### ***Question 7***

On this question regarding parking, the residents were clear: 33% said that simple regulations were in order and 40% said that more in depth ordinances were required. This may mean new parking laws in the village, or enforcement and/or clarification of current laws, but taken together 73% of the respondents felt that parking was an issue. Only 27% indicated that nothing should be done.

### ***Question 8***

This was where respondents could write in comments. The comments are grouped in the broad categories. Similar comments made multiple times are grouped at the end.

- It is very quiet and nice
- Very nice and quiet
- Remove the trees that are not evergreen out of the Evergreen Cemetery
  
- Get rid of the absentee landlords
- Get control of the absentee landlords
  
- Dissolve the Village and work with the Town of Torrey
  
- Get young educated leadership to improve the Village
- The Village needs a better board
- Keep streets clean
- Landscaping by RR
- Stop cutting down trees
- Create a better feel and look for Main Street
- Add more residents to Main Street
- Village needs more land
- Village needs to acquire more land

- Playgrounds need equipment for younger children to play safely
- There needs to be access to Arrowhead Beach
- Rethink the development of the Outlet Trail; needs more noise pollution enforcement
- Retain parks
- We need a park at mouth of Outlet and Outlet Trail
  
- Look at the tax incentives for NYSEG
- Create a tax base
- More businesses to invest in the town
- Tax system based on local citizens income level
  
- More advertising for town
- Advertise in local paper what the town has to offer its residents
- create a newsletter that informs community citizens of board, village, zoning meetings
  
- Make Dresden more senior citizen friendly
  
- Public sewer system (or similar) (mentioned 4 times)
  
- Discontinue parking on Main Street lawns (or similar) (mentioned 4 times)
  
- Boat launch (or similar) (mentioned 5 times)
  
- Better code enforcement/new codes to maintain homes and yards (or similar) (mentioned 7 times)
  
- Keep everything the way it is/do nothing (mentioned 17 times)

## Survey Responses

The survey number refers to a number assigned to each returned survey sheet to assist in tabulation. Questions 1A and 1B are not shown for privacy reasons. Question 8 is shown on the following page.

Survey #	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1			b	bc	agree	agree	b	b	
2			b	abde	agree	not sure	b	a	
3			b	bc	agree	agree	b	a	
4			b	be	not sure	agree	c	a	
5			b	bd	agree	agree	b	a	
6			c	e	agree	agree	c	c	
7			b	cd	agree	agree	b	a	
8			b	d	agree	agree	c	b	
9			c	de	agree	agree	b	a	
10			b	cde	disagree	agree	a	b	
11			c	cde	agree	agree	c	a	
12			b	bcde	agree	agree	b	b	
13			b	e	agree	not sure	d	c	
14			b	bd	not sure	not sure	d	c	
15			a	e	agree	agree	a	a	
16			c	cde	not sure	agree	d	c	
17			a	a	disagree	disagree	b	a	
18			b	cd	agree	disagree	a	c	
19			b	d	agree	disagree	a	c	
20			c	e	not sure	agree	b	a	
21			b	c	agree	agree	b	b	
22			b	bcd	agree	agree	d	b	
23			b	b	agree	agree	b	a	
24			a	d	not sure	not sure	d	c	
25			c	c	agree	agree	a	b	
26			a	d	disagree	disagree	d	b	
27			b	d	agree	agree	b	b	
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33			c	bcd	agree	not sure	c	b	
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36			b	bc	agree	agree	c	b	
37			b	bc	agree	agree	c	b	
38			b	e	disagree	agree	b	c	
39			a	e	not sure	not sure	d	c	
40			a	e	not sure	not sure	d	c	
41			b	bc	agree	agree	b	a	
42			b	de	not sure	not sure	b	b	
43			b	de	not sure	not sure	b	b	
44			b	ae	agree	agree	b	a	
45			a	a	agree	agree	b	b	



## Survey Cover Letter

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December 15, 2003

Dear Dresden Property Owner:

The Village of Dresden is working with Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council to complete its Comprehensive Plan. This is a very important task for the future of the community. It requires the input and ideas of all village residents and property owners. Please take a few minutes to fill out the enclosed short survey.

A Comprehensive Plan is the document, written and graphical, that identifies the goals, objectives, principles, policies, standards, and instruments for the protection, enhancement, growth and development of the village. A Comprehensive Plan serves as the basis for future land use decision making, but it is not a zoning law. Comprehensive Plans should be living documents that are relatively short, easy to read, and regularly examined and updated.

The results from this survey will be compiled with the comments and input from the October 25, 2003 public meeting. This will all be organized into a draft document that will then be presented to the Village Board and to the public in January or February. Final comments will be incorporated and a final Comprehensive Plan will be presented to the Village Board for adoption.

Some things to think about as you fill in the survey and add your comments:

Where do you see the village now?  
What are its strengths and weaknesses?  
What are some opportunities?  
What do you envision for the future of the village?  
How can we get there?

Completed surveys can be returned to the drop-slot at the Village Offices or mailed to:

Jason Haremza, Associate Planner  
Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council  
50 West Main Street, Suite 8107  
Rochester, NY 14614

Tel: 585-454-0190 x15  
Email: [jharemza@gflrpc.org](mailto:jharemza@gflrpc.org)  
Website: [www.gflrpc.org](http://www.gflrpc.org)

Questions or comments can also be directed to the above address.

Please remember to fill in both sides of the survey! We ask that all surveys and comments should be returned by January 16.

**Thank you for your help in planning your community!**

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## Village of Dresden Comprehensive Plan Survey

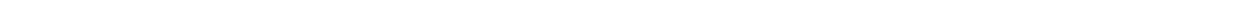
- 1A. How long have you owned property in the Village of Dresden? \_\_\_\_\_
- 1B. Do you reside in the Village? (circle one)      YES                      NO
2. The Village of Dresden, like many villages in Upstate New York, has a slowly declining population. The village, through its comprehensive plan, should (circle one)
- a. continue in the manner it has, focusing on providing a pleasant residential environment for the remaining residents
  - b. encourage, through targeted investments and ordinances, development of some tourism related facilities, all while placing primary emphasis on existing residents
  - c. pursue an assertive strategy of major investment (example: a public sewer system) and marketing to attract significant tourism development.
3. Commercial development should take place (circle all that apply):
- a. nowhere (the Village should be mainly residential)
  - b. the lakefront
  - c. Seneca/Milo/Charles Street intersection (historic commercial district)
  - d. west end of Main Street/Route 14 area
  - e. anywhere that doesn't impact residential areas
4. The Village should work with the Friends of the Outlet Trail to develop additional facilities at the Dresden end of the trail (additional property, signage, lighting, parking, etc.) (circle one)
- agree                      disagree                      not sure
5. The Village should work to enhance its lakefront properties (foot of Seneca Street, parcel adjacent to Torrey Town Beach) (circle one)
- agree                      disagree                      not sure
6. If the Navy were to ever leave their facility at the foot of Main Street, the Village should work to acquire that property for (circle one):
- a. recreational uses only (example: park)

- b. recreational and development (examples: park and marina, housing)
- c. development only (examples: marina, housing, hotel)
- d. the Village should not work to acquire that land

**7. The Village currently has no on-street parking regulations. The Village should (circle one)**

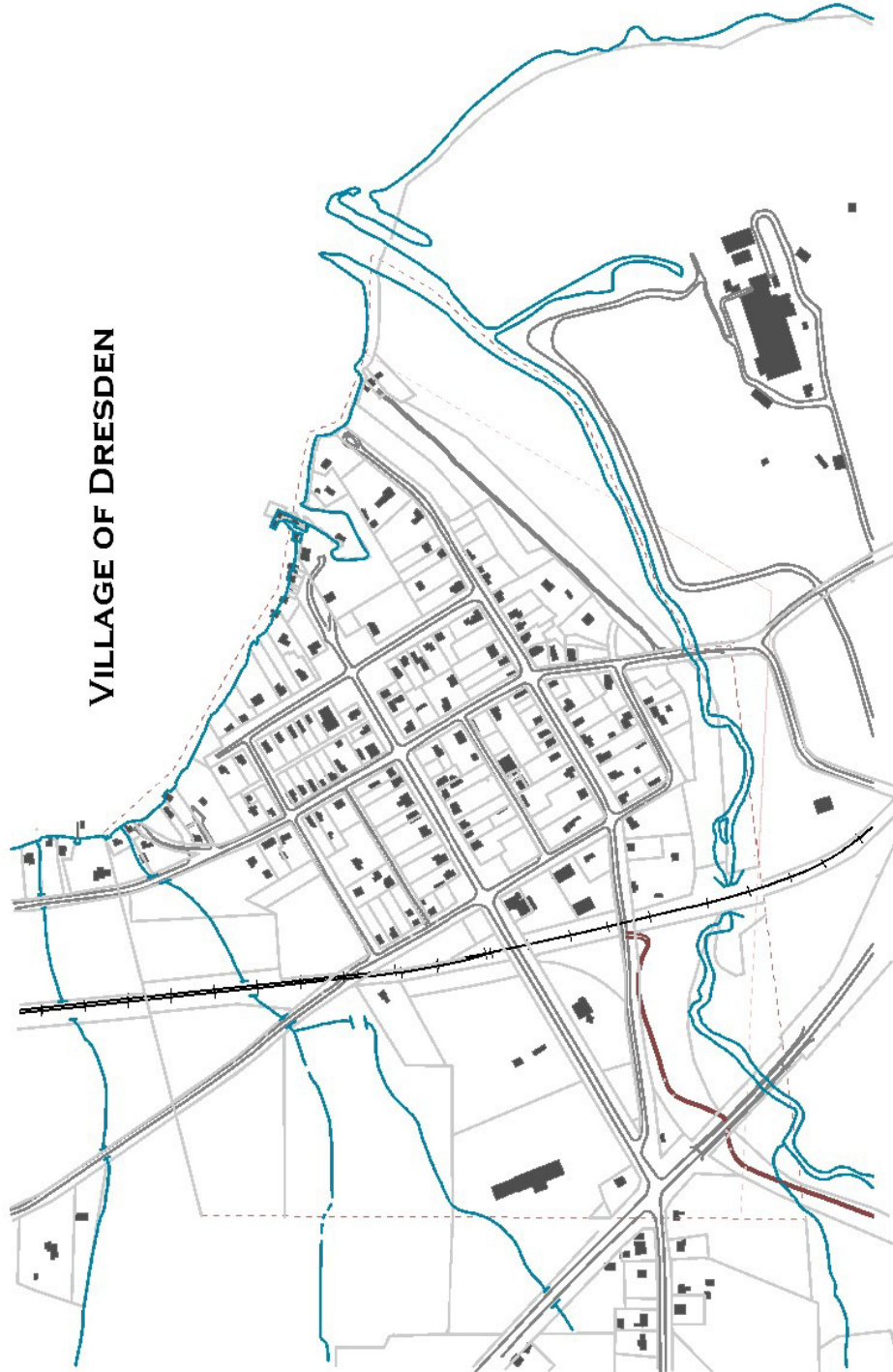
- a. develop simple regulations that set down the rules
- b. develop more in-depth regulations that address the issue of vehicles parking on public land between the street and the sidewalk
- c. do nothing

**8. Any other comments or concerns (examples: what do you like about the Village? What needs improvement? What are its assets? etc.)**





**Dresden: Parcels, Streets, and Buildings**



RESOLUTION TO ENACT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
VILLAGE BOARD  
VILLAGE OF DRESDEN  
RESOLUTION # 4-04

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Dresden, Yates County, New York, held at the Dresden Village Hall, 1 Firehouse Avenue, Dresden, New York on September 1, 2004, at 7:30 P.M. there were:

PRESENT: Mayor Roger Wadsworth  
Trustee Tom McGuigan  
Trustee Loujane Johns  
Clerk-Treas. Terry Dilts

ABSENT:

being all of the members of the town board.

Mr. McGuigan offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, a proposed Comprehensive Plan for land use in the Village of Dresden has been presented to the Village Board of the Village of Dresden for enactment, and

WHEREAS, said proposed Village Comprehensive Plan is now in its final form and has been referred to the Yates County Planning Board, pursuant to general Municipal Law § 239-m, which has recommended adoption of the proposed Comprehensive Plan, and

WHEREAS, said proposed Village Comprehensive Plan has also been referred to the Village of Dresden Planning Board, which has filed a report with the Village of Dresden recommending adoption of the same,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of

Dresden, Yates County, New York that the Village of Dresden Comprehensive Plan for land use (dated 7/04) be adopted.

Seconded by Mrs. Johns and duly put to a vote as follows:


AYES: 3

NOES: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

This Resolution was thereupon adopted.

DATED: September 1, 2004

  
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Terry Dilts  
Village Clerk  
Village of Dresden

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