

Jackson County Public Opinion Survey

Results Overview



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1. Indicate your status in Jackson County.

Year-round resident-OWNER		1313	73%
Year-round resident-RENTER		17	1%
Seasonal resident-OWNER		219	12%
Seasonal resident-RENTER		1	0%
Non-resident landowner		249	14%
Total		1799	100%

2. Indicate the Town, Village or City where your primary Jackson County residence (or the most frequently used property) is located.

City of Black River Falls		223	12%
Town of Adams		226	13%
Town of Albion		113	6%
Town of Alma		97	5%
Town of Bear Bluff		18	1%
Town of Brockway		100	6%
Town of City Point		56	3%
Town of Cleveland		66	4%
Town of Curran		39	2%
Town of Franklin		56	3%
Town of Garden Valley		45	2%
Town of Garfield		59	3%
Town of Hixton		47	3%
Town of Irving		66	4%
Town of Knapp		48	3%
Town of Komensky		22	1%
		115	6%

Town of Manchester			
Town of Melrose		46	3%
Town of Millston		31	2%
Town of North Bend		40	2%
Town of Northfield		70	4%
Town of Springfield		51	3%
Village of Alma Center		32	2%
Village of Hixton		30	2%
Village of Melrose		40	2%
Village of Merrillan		48	3%
Village of Taylor		21	1%
Total		1805	100%

3. Please indicate your age bracket.

18 - 25		7	0%
26 - 45		286	16%
46 - 65		836	47%
over 65		667	37%
Total		1796	100%

4. If you own land in Jackson County, within the next 10 years are you planning to:

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Yes	No	Does not apply
Build a year-round residence	134 10%	780 58%	434 32%
Expand existing home	150 11%	857 65%	314 24%
Expand or start new business	73 6%	876 68%	343 27%
Sell and relocate out of the area	133 10%	886 68%	291 22%
Make no changes	952 60%	363 23%	265 17%

5. How long have you owned your primary property or primary residence in Jackson County?

Less than 5 years		248	14%
5 to 15 years		552	31%

More than 15 years		987	55%
I am a renter		8	0%
Total		1795	100%

6. The quality of life in Jackson County is good.

Strongly agree		279	15%
Agree		1279	71%
Disagree		106	6%
Strongly disagree		19	1%
No opinion		123	7%
Total		1806	100%

7. The quality of life in Jackson County has improved in recent years.

Strongly agree		65	4%
Agree		768	42%
Disagree		490	27%
Strongly disagree		46	3%
No opinion		441	24%
Total		1810	100%

8. The quality of life in Jackson County is likely to improve in the future.

Strongly agree		53	3%
Agree		773	43%
Disagree		433	24%
Strongly disagree		53	3%
No opinion		492	27%
Total		1804	100%

9. The following features make quality of life in Jackson County good.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion
	Affordable housing.	136 8%	908 51%	271 15%	32 2%
Cultural opportunities.	72 4%	756 43%	414 23%	75 4%	453 26%

Farming.	262 15%	1012 57%	142 8%	18 1%	345 19%
Good roads.	128 7%	807 45%	478 27%	229 13%	139 8%
Lakes, rivers, creeks and streams.	544 30%	1024 57%	84 5%	17 1%	119 7%
Low crime rate.	222 12%	902 51%	367 21%	73 4%	220 12%
Low property taxes.	143 8%	461 26%	648 36%	389 22%	143 8%
Natural environment and beauty.	731 41%	910 51%	48 3%	13 1%	87 5%
Proximity to jobs.	95 5%	603 34%	507 29%	136 8%	436 25%
Public outdoor recreation activities (hunting, fishing, boating, etc.)	656 37%	960 54%	55 3%	12 1%	107 6%
Public outdoor recreational facilities (parks, campgrounds, beaches, etc.)	526 29%	1025 57%	78 4%	6 0%	150 8%
Public schools	235 13%	928 52%	160 9%	37 2%	428 24%

10. What are the three (3) most important issues facing Jackson County in the coming years? (select only 3)

Public services		188	11%
Public schools		506	28%
Road maintenance		748	42%
Promote business and create jobs		813	46%
Farmland preservation		350	20%
Residential growth		132	7%
Scenic views		47	3%
Expand recreational opportunities		108	6%
Property taxes		1296	73%
Sensitive environmental areas		142	8%
Maintain Jackson County's rural character		437	25%
Provide adequate housing		77	4%

Forest fragmentation (break up of large forested land parcels)		281	16%
Other, please specify		94	5%

12. Homeowners: What is the present value of your Jackson County residence?

Less than \$100,000		542	35%
\$100,000 - \$200,000		725	46%
\$200,000-\$300,000		244	16%
Over \$400,000		55	4%
Total		1566	100%

13. Should there be the minimum lot size for single family residential development in rural Jackson County?

Yes		1032	58%
No		407	23%
No opinion		339	19%
Total		1778	100%

14. If yes, what should the minimum lot size be for single family residential development in rural Jackson County?

Less than 1 acre		109	10%
1 - 2 acres		489	43%
3 - 5 acres		283	25%
6 - 10 acres		64	6%
10 - 20 acres		82	7%
No minimum acreage requirement		64	6%
Other, please specify		39	3%
Total		1130	100%

15. How would you rate housing availability in Jackson County?

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Need a lot more	Need a little more	Do not need any more	No opinion

Apartments (3 or more units)	58 3%	277 16%	412 24%	958 56%
Assisted living facilities for seniors	240 14%	596 35%	178 10%	708 41%
Condominiums	52 3%	256 15%	536 31%	872 51%
Duplexes	34 2%	340 20%	428 25%	900 53%
Executive (high-end) housing	20 1%	129 8%	705 41%	852 50%
Focus on improving existing housing quality	423 25%	536 31%	86 5%	669 39%
Housing for low-income households	235 14%	438 26%	391 23%	653 38%
Mobile home parks	18 1%	112 7%	943 55%	642 37%
Senior condominiums and apartments	219 13%	651 38%	166 10%	683 40%
Single family housing	137 8%	514 30%	290 17%	767 45%
Starter (first time buyer) homes	209 12%	503 29%	272 16%	734 43%

16. What type of road do you have fronting your property?

City or Village street		319	19%
Town road		761	46%
County road		340	20%
State highway		184	11%
Private road		64	4%
Total		1668	100%

17. What type of road surface is utilized?

Paved		1177	86%
Gravel		150	11%
Dirt		47	3%
Total		1374	100%

18. Which roadway systems need the most improvement or maintenance?

City or Village street		355	20%
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Town road		453	26%
County road		783	45%
State highway		121	7%
Private road		26	1%
Total		1738	100%

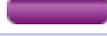
19. Rate the overall condition of the roads in Jackson County.

Very good		47	3%
Good		370	21%
Average		693	39%
Fair		424	24%
Poor		254	14%
Total		1788	100%

20. In general the road shoulders in Jackson County are adequate.

Strongly agree		55	3%
Agree		998	55%
Disagree		480	27%
Strongly disagree		135	7%
No opinion		139	8%
Total		1807	100%

21. The County should provide additional road shoulders for bicyclists.

Strongly agree		166	9%
Agree		507	28%
Disagree		583	32%
Strongly disagree		227	13%
No opinion		323	18%
Total		1806	100%

22. Some roads within Jackson County should be open to ATVs.

Strongly agree		180	10%
Agree		516	28%
Disagree		472	26%
Strongly disagree		460	25%

No opinion		184	10%
Total		1812	100%

23. The County's existing public transportation services (elderly van service, mini-bus) are adequate.

Strongly agree		48	3%
Agree		565	31%
Disagree		253	14%
Strongly disagree		82	5%
No opinion		852	47%
Total		1800	100%

24. Bus service within Jackson County should be developed with rural bus stops at selected locations.

Yes		523	49%
No		551	51%
Total		1074	100%
22 Responses			

25. Passenger rail service should be established to provide local municipalities with connections to major urban centers (Twin Cities, Madison, Milwaukee, Chicago, etc.)

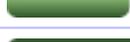
Yes		797	60%
No		542	40%
Total		1339	100%
18 Responses			

26. As a Jackson County landowner, rank the importance of maintenance and improvements of the following facilities. (1 - least important to 5 - most important)

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	One (least important)	Two	Three	Four	Five (most important)	No opinion
Airports	658 38%	176 10%	182 10%	51 3%	61 3%	619 35%
Ambulance Service	76 4%	61 3%	250 14%	272 15%	886 50%	232 13%
Business parks	363 21%	223 13%	342 19%	188 11%	137 8%	503 29%
Cellular service / Internet access / Cable	223 13%	167 9%	360 20%	254 14%	488 28%	271 15%

Fire protection	69 4%	58 3%	203 11%	264 15%	1015 57%	169 10%
Hospital / Health care clinics	97 5%	80 5%	218 12%	276 16%	919 52%	181 10%
Law Enforcement	96 5%	121 7%	273 15%	305 17%	797 45%	183 10%
Municipal water systems	179 10%	126 7%	283 16%	230 13%	435 25%	503 29%
Parks	226 13%	244 14%	485 28%	272 15%	202 12%	326 19%
Public libraries	217 12%	222 13%	462 26%	273 16%	245 14%	338 19%
Public school system	131 7%	106 6%	327 19%	318 18%	565 32%	316 18%
Recreational trails motorized	518 30%	248 14%	310 18%	150 9%	166 9%	356 20%
Recreational trails non-motorized	376 21%	234 13%	389 22%	207 12%	201 11%	357 20%
Recycling Program	107 6%	160 9%	374 21%	339 19%	548 31%	242 14%
Sanitary sewer service	161 9%	140 8%	323 18%	254 14%	403 23%	479 27%
Solid Waste collection (garbage)	127 7%	145 8%	364 21%	335 19%	472 27%	319 18%
Street and road maintenance	63 4%	91 5%	328 18%	438 25%	695 39%	161 9%

27. What are the most important natural resource elements to you? (select the three (3) most important to you)

Lakes		576	32%
Rivers / creeks / streams		704	39%
Groundwater		819	46%
Wetlands		281	16%
Wildlife		1001	56%
Soil		413	23%
Forests		853	48%
Parks		146	8%
Community Design		90	5%
Cultural Resources		49	3%
Recreational Resources		260	15%
Historical Resources		111	6%
Other, please		5	0%

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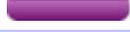
28. Jackson County should further ensure that its lakes, rivers, streams and wetlands are protected from degradation.

Strongly agree		901	50%
Agree		752	42%
Disagree		76	4%
Strongly disagree		23	1%
No opinion		55	3%
Total		1807	100%

29. Additional development restrictions should be put in place to protect the aesthetic beauty and ecological functioning of lake, river and stream shorelines.

Strongly agree		642	36%
Agree		765	42%
Disagree		223	12%
Strongly disagree		49	3%
No opinion		125	7%
Total		1804	100%

30. Should developers be required to provide neighborhood parks or other recreational facilities as part of rural subdivision approval?

Strongly agree		405	22%
Agree		666	37%
Disagree		334	19%
Strongly disagree		101	6%
No opinion		296	16%
Total		1802	100%

31. Do you think additional recreational facilities are needed for the following?

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Need more	Adequate	Too many already	No opinion	
	ATVs	252 14%	821 46%	448 25%	260 15%
	Beaches	235 13%	1222 69%	31 2%	292 16%
	Campgrounds	206	1266	55	255

	12%	71%	3%	14%
Cross Country Skiing	179 10%	1094 62%	41 2%	461 26%
Cycling / Mountain Biking	251 14%	940 53%	94 5%	491 28%
Dog Sledding	78 4%	545 31%	65 4%	1084 61%
Fishing / Boat Landings	373 21%	1108 62%	33 2%	265 15%
Golf Courses	70 4%	1162 66%	178 10%	364 21%
Hiking / Walking	336 19%	1129 64%	42 2%	270 15%
Horseback Riding	166 9%	928 52%	59 3%	626 35%
Hunting	276 15%	1175 66%	89 5%	246 14%
Picnic Areas	217 12%	1241 70%	38 2%	278 16%
Playground Equipment	199 11%	1124 63%	54 3%	402 23%
Snowmobile	108 6%	1013 57%	292 16%	367 21%
Sports Fields (Baseball, Soccer, Tennis, etc.)	144 8%	1089 61%	127 7%	414 23%

32. Prime agricultural lands should be preserved exclusively for farming use in Jackson County.

Strongly agree		607	34%
Agree		782	43%
Disagree		214	12%
Strongly disagree		53	3%
No opinion		151	8%
Total		1807	100%

33. Single family residences should be allowed to be constructed on prime agricultural lands.

Strongly agree		75	4%
Agree		442	24%
Disagree		681	38%
Strongly disagree		391	22%
No opinion		216	12%
Total		1805	100%

34. Currently residential homes are not allowed in agricultural zone districts unless the owner is actively engaged in an agricultural activity. Do you?

Strongly agree		338	19%
Agree		823	46%
Disagree		314	17%
Strongly disagree		92	5%
No opinion		239	13%
Total		1806	100%

35. Non-farm residential development should not be allowed in farming areas because of the potential for conflicts with farming activities.

Strongly agree		418	23%
Agree		728	40%
Disagree		355	20%
Strongly disagree		88	5%
No opinion		222	12%
Total		1811	100%

36. Jackson County should allocate funding to recruit new industries and/or commercial businesses.

Strongly Agree		428	24%
Agree		857	48%
Disagree		209	12%
Strongly Disagree		91	5%
No Opinion		196	11%
Total		1781	100%

37. As a Jackson County landowner, do you support the development of the following types of industries in Jackson County? (select one per line)

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Support	Oppose	Not sure
Forest product manufacturing	1294 72%	179 10%	314 18%
Heavy manufacturing (primary manufacturing such as foundries, etc.)	763 43%	598 33%	429 24%
High technology manufacturing	1383 77%	117 7%	288 16%
Intensive agricultural operations ("factory" farms or egg processing plants)	673 38%	687 39%	422 24%
Light manufacturing			

(product assembly, product fabrication, etc.)	1555 87%	52 3%	186 10%
Non-intensive agricultural related businesses (implement dealer, etc.)	1478 83%	55 3%	256 14%
Renewable energy manufacturing	1516 85%	66 4%	204 11%
Transport industrial (warehousing, distribution centers, etc.)	1290 73%	212 12%	275 15%
Other (please specify)	51 25%	12 6%	142 69%

38. As a Jackson County landowner, do you support the development of the following types of retail establishments in Jackson County? (select one per line)

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Support	Oppose	Not Sure
Convenience stores	1226 69%	294 16%	264 15%
Department stores	1332 75%	230 13%	221 12%
Entertainment establishments	1145 64%	274 15%	359 20%
Family restaurants	1558 87%	88 5%	143 8%
Fast food restaurants	947 53%	559 31%	273 15%
Recreational activity stores (ATV, motorcycle, snowmobile, etc.)	1152 65%	294 17%	334 19%
Small specialty retail shops	1474 83%	106 6%	199 11%
Specialty grocery stores	1343 75%	170 10%	272 15%
Supermarkets	1398 79%	182 10%	195 11%

39. Are there enough job opportunities in Jackson County?

Yes		88	5%
No		1197	66%
Not sure		522	29%
Total		1807	100%

40. Are the jobs in Jackson County paying an adequate wage or salary?

Yes		159	9%
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No		887	49%
Not sure		764	42%
Total		1810	100%

41. Current land use regulations have done an effective job in minimizing land use conflicts in Jackson County.

Strongly agree		37	2%
Agree		682	38%
Disagree		308	17%
Strongly disagree		84	5%
No opinion		698	39%
Total		1809	100%

42. Should you be allowed to use, develop or sell your land for any type of use, regardless of whether or not conflict might develop with neighbors?

Strongly agree		140	8%
Agree		319	18%
Disagree		748	41%
Strongly disagree		452	25%
No opinion		146	8%
Total		1805	100%

43. Should your neighbor be allowed to use, develop or sell their land for any types of use, regardless of whether or not conflicts might develop with you or other neighbors?

Strongly agree		127	7%
Agree		318	18%
Disagree		716	40%
Strongly disagree		488	27%
No opinion		142	8%
Total		1791	100%

44. If you are familiar with the following County regulations, please answer the following.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Adequate	Not Adequate	Excessive	No Opinion
	Private forest land	599 38%	112 7%	54 3%
	567	159	37	801

Agricultural land	36%	10%	2%	51%
Residential	552 35%	154 10%	58 4%	797 51%
Commercial	437 28%	177 11%	26 2%	912 59%
Industrial	399 26%	194 13%	25 2%	925 60%
Rivers / Inland lakes	556 36%	184 12%	41 3%	777 50%
Wetlands	487 31%	191 12%	97 6%	785 50%
Shoreland	474 31%	202 13%	56 4%	819 53%
Large scale farm operations	339 22%	247 16%	91 6%	876 56%

45. It is important to develop guidelines in Jackson County for: Commercial / Industrial

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Very important	Important	Not important	No opinion
Signs	501 28%	831 47%	226 13%	206 12%
Exterior lighting	415 24%	802 46%	313 18%	231 13%
Noise	724 41%	735 42%	121 7%	185 10%
Vegetative screening	332 19%	758 43%	329 19%	333 19%
Building appearance	511 29%	876 50%	185 10%	192 11%
Wind turbines / towers	532 30%	723 41%	266 15%	239 14%
Solar panels	449 26%	701 40%	350 20%	246 14%

46. It is important to develop guidelines in Jackson County for: Residential

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Very important	Important	Not important	No opinion
Signs	498 28%	729 41%	322 18%	210 12%
Exterior lighting	427 24%	700 40%	419 24%	210 12%
Noise	722	709	155	185

	41%	40%	9%	10%
Vegetative screening	329 19%	694 40%	392 22%	332 19%
Building appearance	560 32%	819 46%	194 11%	192 11%
Wind turbines / towers	515 29%	697 40%	293 17%	256 15%
Solar panels	453 26%	660 38%	365 21%	264 15%

47.

Should Jackson County allow the option of clustering or grouping of single family residences on a large acreage in order to conserve wooded areas, open spaces or scenic views, and provide for the efficient provision of public services with no increased density over conventional development?

Strongly agree		416	24%
Agree		707	40%
Disagree		195	11%
Strongly disagree		113	6%
No opinion		324	18%
Total		1755	100%

48.

The Jackson County zoning, subdivision and related ordinances have been effective in: Note: Some ordinances may not pertain to the municipality in which you own property

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion
Regulating building size	111 6%	569 33%	177 10%	52 3%	809 47%
Protecting property values	163 9%	628 36%	242 14%	59 3%	633 37%
Regulating land divisions	142 8%	592 34%	216 13%	61 4%	714 41%
Controlling signs	149 9%	628 37%	178 10%	47 3%	718 42%
Controlling junk vehicles	259 15%	381 22%	364 21%	226 13%	508 29%
Protecting the environment	249 14%	660 38%	177 10%	74 4%	565 33%
Regulating communication towers	162 9%	627 36%	121 7%	48 3%	765 44%
Regulating sanitation	223 13%	722 42%	113 7%	47 3%	620 36%

49.

Rank your impressions of the Jackson County Zoning Ordinances.

Excellent		41	2%
Good		557	32%
Fair		456	26%
Poor		71	4%
Needs improvement		165	9%
No opinion		460	26%
Total		1750	100%

51. Now that you have completed the survey, rank the three (3) elements of most importance to you.

Issues and Opportunities - Includes general background information on the local governmental unit.		290	18%
Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources - Policies to conserve and promote effective management of these resources.		1154	71%
Transportation - Guide the future development of various modes of transportation.		310	19%
Utilities and Community Facilities - Guide the future development of utilities and community facilities.		523	32%
Housing - Guide for the governmental unit to provide adequate housing for existing and future demand.		317	20%
Economic Development - Promote the retention or expansion of the economic base and quality employment opportunities.		1039	64%
Intergovernment Cooperation - Promote joint		243	15%

planning and cooperation with other jurisdictional units.			
Land Use Permit Implementation - Ordinance development as a tool to regulate the land use plan.		730	45%

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11. Renters: What are your monthly costs for your Jackson County residence? Per month	
#	Response
1	\$300
2	\$435
3	na
4	\$900.00
5	1500
6	750
7	750.00
8	\$250.00
9	\$550.00

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24.	Bus service within Jackson County should be developed with rural bus stops at selected locations.
1	The service is already offered through the Aging Unit. Anyone can use the bus but no one seems to know about it.
2	On the surface I do not believe this will be cost effective. Has there been a feasibility study?
3	I would need to know more details
4	May not be feasible because of low population density and high fuel costs.
5	A good public transportation system would be a huge positive factor for seniors and lower income people moving to our area.
6	unneeded waste of tax dollars
7	There are many families and individuals who cannot access services that they need, and it's unacceptable that this should continue. I've attended many meetings of the last 7-8 years and in all needs assessments, it showed that our lower income families need help with transportation.
8	dont know
9	Michigan has good rural bus service
10	Bus stops within the city would also be great.
11	no opinion
12	Not all the elderly live in town or have transportation of their own and have to rely on others. Bus service would assist in their independence.
13	although maybe expand the taxi some for the seniors who live outside the city limits
14	no opinion
15	no opinion
16	no opinion
17	Need more information.
18	Good idea if no cost to people who don't use it.
19	no opinion
20	no opinion
21	n/a
22	n/a

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	25. Passenger rail service should be established to provide local municipalities with connections to major urban centers (Twin Cities, Madison, Milwaukee, Chicago, etc.)
1	Even a bus stop here in BRF would be beneficial
2	Only if cost effective.
3	I would need to know more details
4	If priced competitively, this could cut down on driving/fuel use.
5	High speed rail connections to the cities mentioned must be a goal. It would address many problems statewide and nationally as well as locally: fossil fuel dependence, pollution, congestion and quality of life.
6	!!!!!!!
7	Not with county dollars
8	If rail not available, maybe establish bus service to the rail stations.
9	I'm torn. This kind of infrastructure would be great! It's a direction I think the country as a whole should be moving toward. However, it's costly right now and difficult if others aren't participating.
10	side roads should be gravel for lower maintance. we shouldnt pay for peoples driveways and then say they are a road
11	no opinion
12	We used to have it. It was called the "400" because it went from Mpls to Chicago in 400 minutes! Try that from the airports in all weather!
13	uncertain on this as most who need this type of commute have family to help
14	no opinion
15	How expensive?
16	We need the 400 back or train like it.
17	n/a
18	n/a

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Jackson County Public Opinion Survey

Results Overview



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50. Regarding the county ordinances, what is working well or what needs improvement?	
#	Response
1	We believe the County Zoning needs to stay out of people's business!
2	Too much government interference. People live in the country to get away from stuff and it is getting more restrictive. Don't like to ask permission to do everything I want to do. It is not like we are going to want to ruin what we have. We are not 2 year olds.
3	Need better control over people turning their yards into Fred Sanford-like junk yards - especially in the middle of more congested towns.
4	They aren't doing enough to stop urban sprawl. We need to achieve sustainable land use. We are losing our rural feel and it saddens me. Development is destroying our forest, farmlands, and water corridors and it seems as if not nearly enough is being done to protect our open spaces.
5	You need to reduce the size & scope of the county & municipal govts. your taxpayers are running out of money! Get rid of the Big Brother attitude - lower property taxes. Stop wasting money.
6	Either we need stronger regulations for junk cars and mobile homes or we need to enforce what we have. Rural Jackson County has become an eye sore. You don't allow that in your cities, why do you allow it out here? Do we deserve less because we don't live in the towns?
7	Neighbors are scared to speak out on nearby developing. Give us personal time access with county personnel who can answer questions. Sometimes we don't know who to contact. A magnetized reference card that you could hand on the side of the fridge would work.
8	Needs improvement - A septic system required for all permanent residence, meaning they lie there year round.
9	Need to regulate Amish dwellings so they can't pull in old mobile homes and live in them in the Town of Franklin. Need tower so we can get cell phone reception in the Town of Franklin. Better hours needed for recycling in the Town of Franklin instead of just a few hours on Saturday mornings. Some people have to work Saturdays and can't recycle at that time.
10	Have zoning apply to the Amish
11	Zoning is trying to control private land with unnecessary ordinance and fees that are excessive for the services offered.
12	You have an agenda. This survey was constructed so that the county can say everyone wants more county zoning and control. So there is no confusion, the county does not need to control all phases of our lives. No more zoning laws. Concentrate on providing good roads and maintaining our parks.
13	Unzoned townships need to have zoning process, too many uses allowed with no approvals required.
14	Ref. zoning book pg 23 R-5 is too broad offering too many options to a small business that may not be compatible with particular township natural settings. i.e. bed/breakfast rezoned which would include gas station, rifle range.
15	Ordinances are working well, but I think Jackson Cty needs more basic law enforcement. I think landowner rights are important. In past years I have had people trespassing, littering, drunk drivers, etc. However that doesn't fall under Zoning Dept. I did and still do have concerns of a sand mine that borders our property but time will tell. I was worried about it being too close to property lines, erosion, etc. But there again, I have no

	knowledge of the ordinances. I think landowners may benefit from an information packet/newsletter provided by the county.
16	Follow through on building permits. Too many junky properties need to be regulated.
17	communication of all pertinent ordinances to landowners who are building could be better.
18	Enforcement
19	County needs ordinance to control pot fes on Hwy 27 which happen every year. Ordinance for cleaning up eye sores like the old bowling alley.
20	They seem to have it together. If I lived here full time, I'd be more specific.
21	Drugs in Black River High School & elementary children. Too many suicides at BRF. Make school safer down there at BRF.
22	Need more consistent method of enforcement for violators. Need to get rid of junk cars, junk around homes and condemn homes that are abandoned.
23	Ordinances work well when enforced properly.
24	We really don't know what ordinances exist.
25	Most working well--Junk Vehicles out of control!!
26	Debris around homes needs vast improvement or enforcement. Strict control over ATV noise and damage caused by them.
27	leave well enough alone
28	25' building from a lot line does not allow full use of my property. Need easy method to use that area for building.
29	I am not familiar with the regulations.
30	For city ordinance violations all individuals should 1st receive a warning i.e. alt. side parking, dog/cat at large, etc...
31	Agricultural runoff & damage to small streams is still serious. Sign control at approaches to city is inadwquate, quality of appearance of all development is generally poor, i.e. "curb appeal", county resources are too thng for adequate enforcement.
32	Largest violators of the environment are farmers fields & zoning has not addressed these issues for ALL farms (manure, fertilizer and soil runoff/errrosion). Whenever it rains hard, these exposed fields & farm yards put a lot of effluent in the waters of the state. This needs to be more of a priority and not looked over. Also, I think the setbacks of current zoning rules work well for lakes & rivers.
33	The ordinances are rather easily made, the enforcing is quite another matter.
34	I feel that all people should be forced to go by the zoning ordinances, in our county, so as not to have bad building, when people mone in and force new owners, to replace and fix things that are not right. I have a nephew who bought a house after the Amish had built it then moved on. He had to completely rebuild the house and you know who had to pay for it! If we have laws then we must all abide by them of suffer the consequences.
35	The few contacts I have made with the Zoning Office have been positive and information is accurate and helpful. The staff is very considerate and helpful.
36	I don't really know what any of the ordinances are, or how they are enforced.
37	The triennial septic system maintenance program is working well.
38	Better letting know how and where to get information when new in the area, for buy place.
39	Controlling the number of junk vehicles people are allowed to have on their land
40	Need bigger driveways for EMS & fire & defensible space in fire prone areas. Look at wind forms for making electricity more affordable. Grants for home improvements for home efficiency.
41	Need more information and studies.
42	Everyone needs to have the same rules; not just because of their beliefs. They should have to abide by ordinance.
	Stop having one schools from a Village or City to go outside of the county of Jackso and also stop paying

43	other counties where the school are if they are not on the two counties line. There is a simple likes the Jackson/Tremp Co line where Cty Rd W & River Rd plus Hwy 95 meet. There is no schools in this area.
44	Lot size regulations are okay.
45	Need to enforce junk cars etx. in private yards. Make them clean up!
46	Septic regulations are working well. The County recycling needs improvement. Junk, deserted autos, etc. needs improvement.
47	Need more regulation on people with junk around their property.
48	We are getting larger & larger farms. We need population & industry growth not a few very large farms that benefit no one in Jackson Co. except the large farmers & out of county penders & commodity buyers.
49	None, all working well.
50	Town of Alma is not a zoned township, would really like to see it become zoned so something could be done about junk cars and mobile homes.
51	All townships should participate in county zoning.
52	The county needs to stay out of what size lot you need to build on. As long as the land holds a house and has some land besides. No one should be able to tell you that you can't build on your land.
53	Too many mobile homes, too many junk cars laying around homes and buildings. Too many homes being built in the country, make a 40 acre minimum to build in the country. Quit catering to the ATV crowd. Too many hunting cabins with no plumbing, sewer, etc. Do something about the Amish pooping all over the roads.
54	THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO REASON FOR FORCING US TO PUMP OUR SEPTIC SYSTEMS. IF YOUR THAT WORRIED GET IN THE CAR AND DO YOUR OWN INSPECTION AFTER ALL WE ARE PAYING YOU TO DO SOMETHING.
55	Regulation of "cluster" micro communities needs to be regulated controlled and limited to protect the land-recources and harmony of Jackson County.
56	Need to open more roads to ATV's
57	Ordinances need to be enforced - garbage cans left out for days after pick-up. Eyesores for old buildings, owners need to improve their property especially those that are rented to others. Some types of business are a surplus.
58	County wide (especially Garfield) need to eliminate junk vehicles and trailer homes in disrepair, there are many properties near the S. Fork of the Buffalo River and this watershed area wtih junk vehicles nearby. Lead acid batteries and other toxins are running into these waters. Even with the "white goods roundup" people are disposing of old appliances on their property-fines should be issued!!!
59	Loggers have destroyed many acres of land near us. Debris and destruction are ugly and repel wildlife. Loggers at least need to cleanup better and replant more through seedings which will take decades to grow.
60	New to the area and can only comment on waht I have seen so far. The people I've delt with in building my home were very helpful and professionalso I can only rate the system always room for improvememnets. Otherwise we are going backwards.
61	More communication and more listening to neighboring property owners.
62	Septic System program working well.
63	Amish outhouse use should be closer regulated since they have pressurized water systems without indoor toilets. Can you have pressurized water sources without a drainfield? Pasturing swampy areas, creeks, woods, etc. shoudl be looked into.
64	I feel county ordinances are adequate and working well.
65	Taxes
66	The survival of this county's livelihood rests on its natural resources (tourism, industry, agriculture, etc.). All ordinances should be directed toward protecting those resources should be upheld, and those that do not should be improved to do so. People's needs are important, but our needs are too closely tied to the land here to put individual's wishes first.
67	You're doing a good job.
	i am not in favor or ATV travel on paved roads in hatfield. It is a safety concern as well as a nuicance and

68	infringes on my right to enjoy my property in peace. Leave the trails out in the woods not where there is a concentrated amount of housing such as in Hatfield. Allow the ATVs to run up and down Main St in BRF and see how important that issue with regard to noise will become!
69	Too much random house building in the country.
70	Clean up privit residence in rural areas
71	Without a variance, no business operations should take place in "residential zoned" property.
72	There has been no enforcement of covenant that was part of purchase of land on Arbutus lane in 2004. Establish a regular pro-active monitoring program to ensure county ordinances are complied to on a regular basis
73	rural lot size increased
74	Need to protect rural environment - runoff of manure/manure on roads/safe housing important. Zoning is good - try to have all townships zoned.
75	Don't need big trucks on Highway 10
76	Stop trying to restrict owners more and more about what they do with their own property as long as it's not doing damage to another neighbors property.
77	We would like to see more regulations/incentives for "green" practices & buildings.
78	while some regulations are necessary the fee that go with them are too costly. Also if we have to have building codes and permit fees the Amish should also have to have the same codes and pay the same cost.
79	No restrictions on camping on your own property
80	Need to work on recording property correctly.
81	Everything in general
82	Simplify the red tape
83	There is little or NO enforcement of regulations along the river banks.
84	The less is better as most landowners use good common sense when their land is involved.
85	More than two junked or unlicensed vehicles on property needs to be enforced. Ordinance regarding dog/animal control, noise control in rural areas.
86	Need much improvement in ordinances that deal with unkept residential property such as junk cars, litter, garbage in yards.
87	I have ag-land and ag-woodland so most items here do not impact me at this time.
88	No more nude grounds
89	Some town roads and/or county roads should be reviewed and allowed open votes to allow ATV use for connector trails
90	Building inspection fees are too high. The hoop to jump through to obtain permits for building a home takes too long.
91	I think the highway dept is working very well. The ponds for ducks and small wildlife could be improved, like the dam in Merrillan.
92	More noise regulations. Coon dogs ATV's motorcycles & more regulation on maintaining of residential properties. Elimination of trash on residential premises.
93	I personally have no complaints but am not aware of all the ordinances either.
94	We can always improve.
95	I know very little about those ordinances
96	They are good as they are
	I think most people can do what they want when it is a reasonable request, which is the right way to do

97	things. We need rules to deture those way out in right field requests. also the ones trying to bend rules to work for themselves.
98	Town of Knapp to regulate junk on provate property that is in view fo everyone, ruins view for everyone, mowing of property that has a home/cabin on it if another property w/home is next lot. No adding on to mobile homes! Home owners need to take pride in their property maintain the land and buildings don't let it get dumpy.
99	We feel people should not be allowed to pile up junk cars and garbage all over their property. It's an eyesore.
100	Jackson Co. has something I don't believe in and that's retaining hunting & fishing rights on private lands that were previously owned by the county but still taxes these properties at the same rate as land without these restrictions. Then when it comes to rezoning this property for a building site no one knows enough to check for these restrictions and they rezone it for building a residence. I can show you where some of this has already happened. In other words, someone has not done the proper research. I think at this point in time the county should give up on these claims which are out of date. These restrictions also contain mineral rights which prevents construction on this property.
101	I am very disturbed by the junk vehicles and litter people are allowed to keep in their front yards year after year.
102	Too much interference in some regions. We need less interference with our house building etc. that are being built for the active farmer that wants to keep the price of buildings within reason. Our Amish community wants to build in a way that is reasonable and not extravagant but still effective.
103	Subdivisions should not start looking like junk yards or trailor parks
104	Garfield needs a lot of help. Total lack of land us plans and development; trailers, junk cars, junk etc. not controlled.
105	Can't tell much until one has to use them.
106	New building ordinances are working well. Amish farms have trouble with ordinances.
107	Why are some "roads" that are raelly "drive ways" kept up by the township - plowed, paving, etc. I would like my driveway plowed and paved for free.
108	Too much regulation
109	There is too much regulation in rural areas.
110	All seems to be ok
111	Some are too strict some not enough. It takes empathy and a look to the future. The music is too loud when it hits someone elses ear. The building is too big or in the wrong place when it blocks others scenic view. Hatfield is a good example of land use, tax base and big money did it in. People liked it rustic and quiet. The homes are so close together you can't see the lake. "Downtown" Hatfield is terrible. Who thought up the barriers? the "50 people in winter" are stuck with it. Don't envy your job trying to come up with solutions for zoning. Merrilan has been through a very trying three years with the mill building and water falls fiasco. It doesn't affect jut Merrilan or Jackson County but west Central Wisconsin.
112	There should be no mobile homes in rural areas.
113	Enforcement needs improving
114	You definately need to do spot checks for environmental reasons - most of the ordinances need to be revisited and improved to address current day situations
115	We need more input in what is going on in our own township I think.
116	Working well - land use permits required and communication with town boards. Great Job.
117	Expand the number of representatives on the county committee w/term limits for committee members. There has been a history of politically motivated variances/regulation exceptions based on the "good old boy" mentality of 5 committee members. A zoning administration has limited utility under these circumstances.
118	More staff to enforce existing regulations
119	Not familiar with the ordinances.
120	Need more consistent effective and timely enforcement of existing ordinances
121	Farm runoff seems to be controlled from entering neighbors land or streams.

122	Residents deserve to have the same zoning that was in place when they purchased their home. zone R1 should mean R1 - no variances should be allowed without agreement of the neighborhood.
123	Townships need to recognize the need for some rules. Co. zoning does a good job of providing these rules & enforcing them.
124	You issue a building permit yet never inspect if it is built to code.
125	All levels of government seem way to willing to spend way to much money and all want to do tooo much regulating - new rules & forms to fill out all the time.
126	Need regulatinos to preserve rights of farmers, limit housing sprawl
127	Before dividing agriculture land into residential the adjoining land owners should be notified by mail for opinion.
128	Subdivision of prime acreage both farm and forest.
129	If a person doesn't keep knowledgable in areas such as these, it is difficult to answer questinos - therefore no opinion answer. We want what's best for our area - what is that? Seems like country is slowly getting more built up.
130	Need to improve & enforce rules on development of business & residential. Particular attention is needed to write & enforce rules to limit river corridor development for business & residences (standards need to be developed).
131	Re-examine the ordinance about leaving tree stands on county property. The State is relooking at this law now, and hearings support changing this law.
132	ATV's on the Town of Irving roads many of them from southern WI & chicago area there are trails by BRF for those people. Used to be so nice and peacefull around here, I grew up in Irving & we love it here.
133	Get rid of junk cars!
134	Informing neighbors of land development.
135	Roads
136	Stop the division of 40 acre sections. Require land owners to sell no less than 20 acre sections.
137	We need zoning in outlying townships to stop all the pulling in of trailers on a "bare" spot.
138	Having a minimum acre limit seems to just make more landlords for farmers by splitting parcels. The cluster option does allow parcels of farmland to stay together. I think towers, large facilities need oversight to let neighbors to work out use issues but would be opposed to heavy handed regulation. A balance of freedom and regulation needs to exist.
139	Not knowledgable on this issue but I think the Amish should be able to build on what they consider is their property. Aslo they should have to pay taxes on this property.
140	I would like to see improvement in the road side gravesites (getting out of hand with plastic flowers). On highway 12 and accident site has become a huge eyesore over the last 6 years. I have no problem with a single rose but when does it become litter?
141	Residential development in agricultural zones. Each township should identify and catagorize these very specific parcels within each ag zone that are not well suited to agriculture if too hilly, too small for efficient field work etc. These sites should be sub-zoned as residential mini-zones within the agricultural zone. This preserves the time honored tradition of rural, non-farm residents while maintaining the status of the surrounding land as prime agriculture. It's a win-win solution for the farmer, the county and the rural resident. the agricultural acreage base is not diminished and those people who cherish a rural home and life (who are not farmers) can build a country home. I hope we don't become a county in which only farmers are allowed to live in the country. Rural life can foster the deep respect and love for the land and all its system's that is cricial for our very survival. The County's plan should encourage opportunity for such connection.
142	We own a home on the outskirts of Fairchild. We see a lack of supervision when it comes to people leaving junk in their yards. I also think their needs to be more supervision of people caring for animals. We know two people who have abused their animals by not feeding or watering them properly. We rescued one pony who was almost dead when we got her. We have called authorities but there is a very slow response.
143	Some areas seem ok, such as sanitation regulations. New protections against over development of open spaces - ag land, forest land, etc - are important for our future. Cluster development, building size, provisoin for more trees in parking lots, wetland protection are part of that. Also, need to plan for residential, urban & rural commercial development of wind and solar power.
	Too much red tape for minor changes or projects. I was required to have a public hearing and land use

144	permit to erect a small wind turbine. I feel the \$200 fee for the publi hearing was excessive. General guidelines should be established that could have been satisfied without needing a public hearing and land use permit.
145	I feel that we really don't need to change too much. I thought have ATV access was very important to get to trails. If it works well why change it?
146	Sanitation as it relates to Amish, junk vehicles needs improvement, mobile homes are an eyesore
147	Better regulation of agricultural chemicals.
148	People who have junk in their yards land lords that can't fix their housing. Junk cars, junk trailers left on property after people have left. small streams running through barn yards taht run into rivers.
149	land subdivision ordinances are unworkable and excessive.
150	we need reulations in place if another copper mine shows up in Jackson Co.
151	Persuade unzoned townships to participate and comply with County Zoning. Tougher standards.
152	Less billboards, no electric blinking signs, shoreline protection of rivers and streams, replanting of cut forests.
153	enforce yard mowing and junk pickup. many farmers have too much junk.
154	More enforcement needs to be done on shoreline development. Strict regulations on animal waste entering streams must be implemented and enforced.
155	The county parks should honor the Federal Golden Age passports.
156	Proper development while protecting the environment quality of the county needs to be a priority.
157	Ordinances are meaningless if not enforced. Village Boards should be accountable to County Zoning.
158	Too much government meddling.
159	Too much junk is allowed on private property.
160	The 24 day ordinance on trailers and rv's should be enforced. They should not be allowed to sit there all year.
161	Zoning of private business relative to residential / recreational prop. is not enforced to proper degree. Hearing are held but there is no followup or enforcement in rural areas.
162	People not getting proper permits for building.
163	Too much depend on the name of the individual & who their buddy is on the board.
164	Too much regulations
165	The board needs people with more of an understanding of preventing pollution and alternative energy. i.e wind, solar, non poluters.
166	Should be able to buy, sell any size portion I want to.
167	Our township cannot give up the little control we now have.
168	Need to get rural properties under control. Many have too much junk - eyesore plus raises concerns regarding the environment. Also lack of control on Amich built properties being built without proper permits. Many building not up to code and what happens when Amish leave area?
169	Sanitation/dropoff. Bear Bluff only has Saturday AM 8-9 for drop off. An Additional time/day/location would be great for all of Jackson County. Building permits and such would be nice to get over the internet as Black River is such a drive. Building permits are excessive. To pu up new steps or dieck it was as much for the permit as materials almost.
170	I honestly don't know enough about County ordinances to answer this. Only familiar with city ordinances.
171	It would be nice if you would do away with the 3 year sewer pumping and inspections. It's a waste of time and home owners money.
172	Stop breaking up parcels of land into smaller and smaller lots
173	Minimum lot size in a development is too large. Need to allow fewer lots in a development.
174	Maintain rural agricultural emphasis. Discourage non recreational development (physical type & motorized). Emphasize the importance of wetland preservation for ground water purity. Discourage agricultural practice

	of herbicide/pesticide use.
175	Selling county fo \$ if business comes should be for benefit of business and county not because of bribes and extra perks. Person own land they should be allowed to build what they want to suit their needs and their budget THEIR LAND AND THEIR BUILDING THEY ARE PAYING FOR THEIR WANTS!
176	Should not be necessary to get goncitional use permit for on farm sawmills. Zoning officer should do better in not fining and harassing people unnecessarily.
177	People should not be able to locate a mobile home on any fraction of an acre willy-nilly all over the county. Using ones personal acreage as a disorganized junkyard and dump should also be discouraged. Five acres for a single family houme should be exceptional not the rule for new construction. Above all, long-term invironmental impact needs to be considered with any new development. Let's not do anymore ridiculous planning like E. Main in Black River Falls.
178	Am upset about the Pines land not being cleaned up and the asbestos in the building. It looks horrible for beautiful BRF. I really love it here in the country, however, wish we could clean up the ugly spots. This is my opinion.
179	There needs to be a set and regulated speed limit for ALL vehicles using West Mission Rd. There is currently no attention being paid to safety of cars & pedestrians. Compression breaking is unnecessary on this flat, straight road; therefore, there should be signage to that effect.
180	There should not be a minimum lot size. It should be a maximum lot size and all lots should be clustered to save land. Maximum of 2 acres for a lot size. That is to be built on the remaining land should be zoned so it can not be developed.
181	Way too restrictive. This used to be the land of the free.
182	I believe metallic mining should be allowed in the county providing reasonable conditions are met. Too often in the past zoning was initiatd by a few select individuals who were promoting their own agendas.
183	As long as the appearance is good youshould be able to have any items you want on your property.
184	No more burn barrells.
185	Not familiar enough w/most county regulation & ordinances to express an opinion. However I'm likely interested in most or all to some degree. That said, as things seem to be working in general all is well yet I am glad you are seeking input & being proactive.
186	More monitoring and enforcement, more personnel; more direction and planning.
187	You d not enforce the law, many people from out of town that have land parcels in the county move junk camper trailers on there land for hunting & recreation, they bring the property values of neighbors down, I though they had to mve them every 3 months or so. To make it worse they build a junk addition on to them, they sit there year after year. Please enforce the junk that people have pile up on their lawns, this is 2009 right? Thank you.
188	Zoning personnel need to empathize with people.
189	Building on ag & forest land shold be regulated and building near streams and lakes need more set back. Bayfield Co. calls high water mark at the top of the stream bank and need to be 100' back.
190	Being consistant and enforcing them. Ordinances should have been implemented in all Villages, townships, etc. years ago. Now there are residential and industrial buildings that are built that should not have been. And if somewone complains, there does not appear to be a real enforcing power to correct the issue. there are too many people who do not comply with ordinances.
191	The ordinances are working that I am aware of. More restrictins maybe on a lot of junk visible from roads.
192	Zoning came too late.
193	Need regulation of all these "mobile homes" that are stuck here and there and are mostly in horrible shape.
194	We need less regulations on homeowners such as mandatory inspectin/pumping of a septic system that is working as it should, permits, inspections on an addition to the home and mainly LESS TAXES
195	Less ordinances less government
196	The Amish population is growing in our area and the horses and buggies could be a dangerous situation especially if they don't know the rules of the road. They can be very hard to see especially at night. They don't need a license to drive or education of our highways. If I would have no lights, license, insurance, etc. I would be put in jail and pay big fines. We could also use more ATV trails to access other trails, campgrounds, lakes, etc.
197	Zoning has to improve

198	the townships need to do a better job of regulating all the junk that is accumulating all over the county. It is a tremendous eyesore and gives people the inpressin that nobody cares what our land looks like.
199	River setbacks are not being enforced.
200	The 1 1/2 acre rural limit lot size is ok. One should be allowed in a resonable mannter to develop their land as they see fit.
201	Some of the sidewalks really need to be fixed so people who are crippled can walk without being afraid of falling. Some are really old people with walkers and canes and aren't good on their feet and like to get out and take a little walk but are afraid to because the sidewalks are too bad and some of them are broken up so bad so they have no place to walk.
202	An ordinance is neede to stop farmers from using sand for filling and then hauling this sand/manure mix to be spread on good farmland. It is degrading good farmland.
203	Ordinances should be followed and not changed to fit everybody's needs.
204	Maintain the rural character of Jackson County.
205	Age of mobile homes allowed should be revised to 20 years. Currently anyone wanting to put one on is 10 years or newer. Uniform enforcement of policies/ordinances especially junk.
206	Less junk yards.
207	Merrillan needs to get the dam repaired so we get our water back. Lots of weddings, graduations and other pictures have been taken by the dam. We miss the water. It's been too long without it.
208	I believe we need to be careful with ordinances on agriculture and industry. We need to reward those who want to build, grow or expand if we want to keep jobs in our county. I do think we could put more ordinances on private property to clean up junk. We have a beautiful county filled with too many yards of junk cars, garbage & old junk equipment.
209	Zoning Planning & POWTS Dept. for septic pumping and inspection should be all erxamined for size of family and size of septic tank & drain field. I've been pumped 2 times in 6 years never has my septic tank been 1/2 full. Rexamine your records.
210	Need to do a better job of enforcement, particularly along the Black River. Too many people not heeding the current regulations but no consequences. Examples include campers/RV's parked on lots, dock sizes, use of watercraft.
211	Too strict
212	Needs improvement: County/private land trades, access across county forest to rivte parcels, ATV routes.
213	Ordinances should be guidelines and variances should be allowed in special circumstances.
214	The state's 3 yr septic inspection is too ridged! My "inspector" estimates I will pay \$1200 in inspection costs prior to a pumping being required. What a wast of money to "over protect" my private owned system. Over regulation as well as over taxation keep people from futher development and probably keep property values low. Why do people move to FL, TX, NV etc? Expanding regulation DOES help build larger gov't.
215	It is nearly impossible to go more than a quarter mile on any road without seeing a driveway installed with an old mobile home parked in the woods or in a field.
216	The roads need to be iproved, the pot holes in the roads cause problems with our vehiles.
217	You penalize homeowners with approved septic systems by having them inspected every 3 years, this is too excessive. Should be every 6 years. People with systems that are not legal do not get any notice. Building permits for homes and shed needs to be improved.
218	Follow through on violators.
219	Logging operations are destroying our roads. Snowmobiles need to stay on trails
220	I've been on a town board (non-zoned) for 15+ yrs but am not familiar with many county ordinances. Doing things (passing ordinances) for the good of everyone is important but protecting the rights of the individual property rights is most important.
221	Every home needs sewer or septic.
222	Should be overseen for all buildings and enforced if builders are in violation.
223	I live in the township of Alma, why is there no zoning in my area?
224	Old & abandon homes & trailers cleaned up. Farms should be kept looking clean not like junkyards. Example: farm on P & E Pine Creek.

225	Need improvement of allowing open junk on private property.
226	Big agriculture gets away with putting excessive amounts of manure, pesticides, hebecides on land regardless of damage to land or quality of live of neighbors and the total environment. Wind power is a hoax. It does not lesson the need for other generating facilities. Electricity can not be stored effectively so wind generation does not help our energy needs.
227	Septic system inspections work well.
228	Land use & building inspector process very efficient.
229	The county cutting trees down for forstry will decrease the value of our adjacent property used for hunting.
230	I am not a fan of government telling me how I can use my property that I am taxed on. The county needs to loosen up on old existing properties.
231	State and county too many people doing nothing, not or don't nkw what they are doing.
232	We feel that the current zoning ordinances are pretty good. The Terry and his staff have worked hard over the years during his tenure at JC Zoning to make Jackson County a better place to reside!
233	More access for residents to ride to trails from their property instead of trailering their ATV's for a mile.
234	All of the ordinances both county and state should be laid out, en toto, and reviewed for fairness and cost in time, money and "hassle factor" to the landowner. From mandatory septic pumping (are you going to make me see a dentist regularly for my own good also?) To gaining permission for one animal on your land, to mandatory registration of livestock, etc. You have heaped too much on the shoulders of the landowner.
235	Less government intrusion and regulations, being as conservative as possible in favor of the land owners and or developers, with right of way in favor of the resident land owner.
236	Fragmentation of forest land is a joke. Providing roads, power etc. to people who choose to build a in rural ares makes no sense.
237	Just leave us all alone. We don't require your assistance or intervention.
238	Should make people clean up junk yards and farm yards.
239	Need less regulation
240	I believe there is always room for improvement in anything that makes our county safe and beautiful. So there is no one thing, but all things can be improved.
241	Subdivisions out of control for example Hatfield - need improvement
242	Outdoor concerts should be strongly monitored for noise pollution, should be banned within 1/2 mile of residential areas. All public roads should be banned from ATV use.
243	The poor farmer can't put on a little TMR addition on his barn without catching it from the county. Too many restrictions on small farmers.
244	I am sick of the zoning committee okaying leterally every request for someone to build a new home!
245	Lack of township support
246	Some roads need some repair.
247	they are doing a fairly good job.
248	Need zoning. Preserve farmland.
249	Building permits are too costly. Too much red tape also. Improving residence causes a leap in property taxes, yet we are to improve our property. don't start so many projects at once! If a referendum fails, it should NOT come up again for 10 years.
250	Zoning issues are a can of worms from week to week. It seems that Terry Schmidt and his staff perform over 100% for job dedication. If all people in public offices did this we would have much better productivity all around.
251	to move forward. Advance town rules & laws
252	Enforce clean up of junk properties.
253	The expansion of county regulation and employee number has been to extensive. The town oard should be able to control themselves. The fee and fees for future regulations are stealing money from private enterprise.
	We own property and choose to live in a rural area. We want to enjoy the land we own and want to enjoy it

254	without restrictions on IF we can camp, hunt, fish, etc. on it. We want the value of our property to increase and when property is allowed to let junk vehicles, machinery, etc. build up, it decreases our property value and the beauty of this area. The beauty of Jackson County is the outdoors. Our biggest asset.
255	Sanitation is working well. Improvements needed on large agricultural developments.
256	to mandate and carry out recycling. Have tours to land fills for viewing the enormity of garbage and recyclables now going to land fills. It's dispicable.
257	Our son & daughter in law burned down our home - sheriff refused to investigate - DA refused to prosecute. Neightbor cut my timber - no one to enforce. Cut down freeway signs - no one to enforce.
258	Improve on land use. Trailers set up in tract of land without proper sanitatin. A place to drop leaves and branches. Realtor signs are bad. Zoning Dept. needs to be able to give 30 day notices and enforce them.
259	Junk cars and belongings accumulating on properties that are an eyesore. Also poor roads repair. Not an ordinance, just my opinion.
260	Not overly familiar with zoning ordinances. Suggest posting information as to where a list of ordinances can be observed.
261	Building size and heights on small lot size
262	Enforcement of junk vehicles.
263	We need stronger zoning regulations on the size of acceptable lots and type of building allowed on lots to protect everyone's property values throughout the county. A rusting 20 year old mobile on one acre of land adjacent to public hunging lands is totally unacceptable.
264	Enforce the Amish zoning and building code violation issues.
265	We need less zoning ordinances. All zoning is doing is allowing one group of people to inflict their will on another.
266	Need more info on town dump rules.
267	I was forced to demolish my house and now I am told I can't put my beautiful park model on my lot. But yet the guy next door can have an aluminum pole building with dirt floor and tons of old cars & lawn mowers piled everywhere. How fair is that? NOT FAIR AT ALL!!!
268	Please continue to preserve our land habitat fragmentation increasing conservation.
269	Junk along roadways and at homes/farms needs to be cleaned up.
270	Way too strick, need to calm down.
271	All public not aware of ordinances/ restrictions and where to find out. Public officals must support ordinances and compliance.
272	The county needs to make iprovements in rural home and business sites for the accumulation of trash and old unlicensed cars & trucks. For land owners to move in and leave old and unskirted trailers.
273	Zoning is a good example of a handful of people deciding how everyone else should live. Poor people can't comply with the high standards of zoning. I fyou can only aford to build a small house with used lumber and volunteer labor, you can't live in zoned townships. As long as my neighbor doesn't interfere with my peace and quiet. I don't mind him living in a used trailer house or a small cabin. Private propert should be private and not subject to the whims of self important town officals wanting to have only big expensive homes so they can get more tax revenue. Zoning is bad for humans!
274	Enforce building codes regardless of religious beliefs. Treat everyone the same.
275	Need communication as to what the ordinances are and how they apply.
276	Sanitation and permits are working well.
277	I don't know about conty ordinances but I hope that they will be designed to prevent sprawl of businesses along highways and on the outskirts of towns and of residences outside of towns, taking up good farmland or occupying the shores of rivers and lakes, to the detriment of the environment therer.
278	The cost of permits prevents many individuals from improving their homes. The more regulations we have the more costly everything gets. There needs to be a balance between creating and promoting a quality community and keeping the expense to residents minimal and reasonable. Many individuals are able to own homes here because the cost of community is not as high as more densly populated areas. If costs go up, individuals will be displaced.
	The county needs to enforce the ordinances it already has. they don't enforce the laws if the people are low

279	income, the look the other way. The county and DNR need to enforec and expand the laws concerning the way the farms handle, store and spread animal manure. I didn't like it when a neighbor piled manure on the property line during the summer for 2-3 months - a giant, very smelly pile. I was concerned for my well. I don't like it whhen there is manure on the paved roads. I am not against farming, just irresponsible handling of the manure. I don't want it to end up in the local trout streams.
280	I believe that county ordinances are workin gwell in our town. Properties that in the past were eyesores are now quite respectable. I appreciate konwing when there is a land use change. Many of us have concerns that our community will go as others have and be sucked up with development, or that heavy industry will pollute and degrade our present pristine existence. so far no big concerns since the mining threat, one must never let down their guard. Thanks to the town and the county for helping those of us that value one of these few remaining agricultural communities.
281	GPS online for Jackson Co. is nice. Keep updating and keeping on top of the this.
282	The county's zoning ordinances are unkonow to me. I currently reside in a community where very restrictive regulations governing commerical and resedential development and a very proactive program to preserve and protect the community's natural resources and environment. Everyone is aware of these restrictions and guidelines. Jackson County must do a better job of getting the word out to the coummunity regarding zoning and development restrictions and need to protect the natural resources of the area.
283	Less trailer houses.
284	Awareness and information
285	Commercial use of county and town roads should be more responsible for road up-keep.
286	Millston Oak Ridge trailer park lot #2 has large hole board covered. Children living in residence. Close off roads for trucks, mud bogging 4x4 unless the back road is made for mudboggers.
287	Garfield seems to be wide open to most anything. Wish we could clean up the junk yards at residences, trailers and junk cars that are abandon.
288	Do not make laws that will make it difficult to build or develop homes or business. Do not interfere with private enterprises.
289	I feel the building and land use permits are over kill, we lost our house in a fire this year in Feb. and wehad to get a land use permit again and building permit again and septic permit again. It's all about money, money, money not about helping.
290	Only observe the unkept households in the area and wonder why there are no ordinances in place to prevent the trash and junk accumuliation that exists in so many of the surrounding residences.
291	Ease restrictions on construction of pole sheds. Better enforcement of animal control regulation (pets and livestock)
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293	Single family lot size should be smaller.
294	Too many rural homes, new homes should be built in villages in Jackson Co. Leave the county forest as it is.
295	When one area does not follow zoning you get what the people want in that area. This is not right. These areas should have their mone's from county withheld.
296	Junk vehicles and trash laden properties.
297	Requirement for abandoned/unuesd buildings needs to be enforced. Clean up and environmentals issues regarding illegal dumping sites. Must be regulated and enforced.
298	Generally flexible rules and working on a case by case basis within guidlines works much better than inflexible and rigid blanket ordinances.
299	River bank and lakeside improvements are too restrictive. As a landowner who wanted to restore the shoreline, the regulations were too restrictive to do an easy fix.
300	your sanitation ordinances are adequate. Not enough being done to regulate cranberry farming and protect water. I love Jackson County for it's forests, quiet, sand roads and wildlife.
301	Sanitation ordinances are adequate. Not enough is being done to regulate cranberry farming and to protect water.
302	Sheds and buildings on private land in rural areas should not have to have permits only builgind permits, no land use. come up with an ordinance to clean up this county. Old ugly shacks that people are living in and they look like dumps. Worry about these and not building uses.

303	They are minimal that is working well.
304	Things work well in general.
305	No one should develop in the flood plain.
306	Everything.
307	The county zoning ordinacnes are not bad, but they don't apply in Garfield township since the township refuses to adopt them. As a result, the township is littered with uncontrolled private junk yards, dilapitated house trailers and a general "rural slum" appearance. Some homes still use outhouses.
308	Need to clean up some of the junk in yards.
309	Zoning & regulating mobile homes on land parcels for the purpose of recreational & hunting.
310	Minimum residential lot size is too small. Minimum lot size should be 20 to 35 acres.
311	I do not like the county checking upon my septic status/inspections. Taxzes too high for very little services.
312	I believe that a lot of the opinions and views and laws are out dated. Our natural resources have a seriously been poluted, there has been a lot of new ideas shot down due to old perceptions. the county absolutley needs to perserve it's natural areas and protect them. There are many old, abandoned, already degraded areas that need to be re-addressed. the landfill is one example.
313	Mining permit regulations seem to be working. ATV regulation on public highways is non-existant in Cleveland township. Need light pollution controls. Factory farm regulations are a joke. help preserve the trees canopy in Jackson's cities and villages. Too much roadside clearcut.
314	Definitely enought ordinances out there. Continue to work closely with other groups during development to help the customer "business & home owners" when they build or expand. Groups being DNR, townships, Armp Corp of Engineers, inspectors, etc.
315	Shoreland development has increased significantly. ordinances ought to be developed for enhanced set back & aesethic color schemes plus vegetative screening. Boathouses, docks, piers and decks on or adjacent to waterways need enhanced regulation. Bluff land development is of special concern as it can and does detract from the scenic beauty of the landscape.
316	I think we need to examine how our ordinances impact Amish families.
317	Try to make more use of wind power
318	Overall zoning ordinances are ok but you must remember you should leave land owners some control of their land oafter all they own it.
319	There are still individuals who fence up to the roadway. Needs improvement. The township roads need to be monitored more closely. township presidents should have to be omnitored and not be allowed to push their preferences. Irving township tore up a piece of Soupbone Rd and left it graveled for 2 1/2 years, this resulted in a driving hazard in cold and icy weather. A 20 year old was killed on that stretch due to negligence to have the road repaired. There are many areas that also need guard rails. The 20 yr old mentioned was only driving 35 to 40 miles an hour also there were no signs concerning the road work.
320	Standing in community importance and politics should have no influence when requesting variances.
321	I think most ordinances are working well.
322	I think most of the ordinances are working wella nd should be left up to the local township and county government to regulate.
323	Excessive building in countryside with no significant population or industry increase. checking and double checking large farm opertaions. Evaluate energy production use of wind farms.
324	Notifying land owners of changes in the ordinances needs improved.
325	Not enough is being done in the rural communities to get rid of "back yard" junk. Especially junk vehicles. We are one of several homes along Allen Creek Rd - all fairly close together. There is "puppy mill" on both sides of us so we are constantly bombarded with barking dogs day and night. This should not have been allowed to happen. not enough screening is being done when people move into a rural area and nothing is being done to remedy the situation we are faced with.
326	Junk cars sitting on residential property needs to be enforced.
327	Many oridanances are not inforced i.e. travel trailers left at sites all year round Hatfield unattended for months at a time.
328	Controlling junk vehicles this has not beent taken unto affect in many areas, HWy 121 going to Trempe.

	county lind. So many properties are deteriorating
329	I would like to put up a cabin but I would like to complete it in stages so i would have 2 years to complete it. I would also like to put in a flush toilet and shower before I complete my cabin.
330	DNR regulations?
331	Do an excellent job of protecting property values.
332	Discourage rural developments/ subdivisions. Require larger tracts of land (20-40 acres) before allowing a new single family residence. Recycling and garbage disposal need improvement. Farming/ agricultural need further restrictions to prevent erosion, runoff and water pollution.
333	Farms and landowners should not be allowed to have junk or junk vehicles on the property. Please enforce this.
334	Use performance standards for potential nuisances use conflicts, such as feedlot operations, large subdivisions landfills, mining etc. Encourage or require cluster development and conservation subdivision design. Give density bonuses of incentives. Campers and seasonal recreational units "popping up" on small lots may not be adequately addressed in ordinances and plans. Consistent enforcement by elected officials.
335	With little or no zoning regulations in the town of City Point, development can be a challenge.
336	We need less ordinances, not more
337	Excessive zoning regulations. Remember we are small not big city with your ideas.
338	My suggestion is to inform the public - residents prior to sending out a questionnaire like this. Your choice of answeres are inadequate and slanted toward what is wanted.
339	Only relate to non Amish. We came here to escape what you are now doing.
340	Our township has just voted to adopt the county ordinances. I am not aware of what they are. It would be a good idea to give each household a copy of county ordinances so we would konw what is our responsibility.
341	The issue of the county preserving fishing and hunting rights on private land.
342	DNR Regulations.
343	We need to allow land owners to use their land as they see fit. After all, they pay taxes on it.
344	Don't know these. They are on the internet right? Town of Curran is not zoned.
345	Need zoning dept to drive around and issue citations for unclean properties. Too many cars, garbage and debris on property. Just Hwy E to BRF to Center hatfield is just one road that needs cleaning up. I have called them about a residence and still no improvement. Don't think even a visit was made there. They need to get out and write citations on these things. Too many people all over getting too many junky residences. It takes our value away!
346	Zoning needs to have more teeth in it to protect land owners who have pride in their property from the landowners who have a total disregard of their property and everyone elses. We have neighbors who have live garbage dumps by streams. Garbage flying into other properties, streams and wetlands. People who think they can do whatever the want because they own the land, not caring what they do to the environment!
347	Regarding farms with liquid manure: the liquid needs to be knifed into the ground. The smellin some towns is bad enough to take your breath away. It has a bad effect on tourism.
348	I like the fact that where I live we have the conventional development because it's a comfort knowing our neighbors couldn't sell and the next owner put up a trailer park. The cluster development would maybe also be nice though, as long as our neighbors couldn't do it. We live on a road that's gravel and it's frustrating because it's always dusty. I have a daycare business and people are going too fast on the road.
349	More restrictions are neede on junky farms and residents.
350	Would a common septic system work in a cluster development?
351	Alma Center has poor quality of drinking water. Too much run off in creeks and riers. Uncontrolled cow manure on village roads. Plugged culverts with garbage.
352	I see no need for a small family of one to three people to have their septic system tested every three years. unnessary time and money is wasted on this. I am single and have to take a day off to have this done in some cases. How much is one person going to make.
353	The money stays in BRF. Every other property is a collecting point for junk cars, appliances. Who is responsible for the crap storm that was The Pines? and when will it go away?

354	Ordinances are for everyone not just those who obey them. Money and the right last name should not matter, but it does in Jackson County as in other places.
355	Exceptions to the zoning ordinances should not be allowed without prominent publication of the proposed request and an ample and extended period for public debate. I feel exceptions should be extremely rare.
356	I don't know enough about the ordinances to comment. However, as a home owner and one who loves nature, wild life and keeping a clean environment, I feel that it's important to keep protecting the wildlife, lakes, rivers and forests. Those things are what make Jackson County special. Tourism should be a major concern for Jackson County's success.
357	City needs street and sewer systems repairs.
358	Amish built homes should be so designated and excluded from inspection.
359	Much of the county has properties that look like "Sanford & Son". It is difficult for landowners who want to have their property look nice in the same area as them. Clean up the county!
360	More regulations on junk and run down property. Barns or buildings that are falling down need to be torn down. Abandoned homes/farms need to be sold sooner.
361	Need county wide implementation.
362	Roads need improvement. Also more job opportunities.
363	The ordinance that states I can't store camper trailers on my land zoned recreational for the winter without being warned about a 28 day in a year ordinance.
364	Enforce residential building codes for home & trailers. too many signs along the roads, do something about the Pines rubble at 194 & 12/27. Need more walking & hiking paths. Increase school funding.
365	Lack of zoning in Garfield. Law enforcement needs to be a presence in Garfield.
366	I live in the country. There needs to be more enforcing of the junk auto in some of the areas. It needs to be cleaned up in a timely manner, not a year. More like 3 to 6 months. Then start fining them for every week or they need to fence in the property.
367	The fairness of them in regards to building codes. Everyone needs to follow the rules & regulations regardless of beliefs for the safety of all.
368	Hwy 54 to and around casino is very good. From Melrose to Galesville - horrid!
369	Overall things are very good. Townships within rural Jackson County could work to "get on the same page" when it comes to policies such as permits, building regulations, etc. Junk vehicle ordinances could be enforced more often. Protect the river from development. It is the hidden treasure of our county.
370	We need more enforcement of cleaning up some areas junk vehicles from machinery old buildings that are not safe and even collapsed. Clean it up. Make the county an area that we would be proud to be a part of.
371	I have never dealt with zoning. My opinions are based on conversations with those that have.
372	We need a new person to take charge of junk trucks and cars. Just a general clean up. Especially on county Rd E. It looks like a scrap yard from the road.
373	Coordinate township ordinances with county.
374	Need better enforcement of existing rules on trash, junk, junk vehicles on private property.
375	Areas that are unzoned with junk & trash homes & mobile homes.
376	Make the public aware of building plans proposed by neighbors. We need to know about garages/pole sheds. They are aesthetically unwelcomed and we can't all make the meetings.
377	No one should be able to tell you what you can and can't build on your land. You buy land and pay taxes on it, which are way too high. Then someone comes along and tells you it's not big enough to build on. Yet in town you can build right on top of each other. This needs to be changed.
378	Stick to the rules.
379	People should be able to do what they want on their own land.
380	Too many landowners with junk sitting around in the Town of Cleveland. Need to enforce the existing ordinances and get it cleaned up.
381	The county should become more proactive in controlling unmaintained housing sites, junk vehicles parked in yards or visible from roads. Most roads are potholed or washboard effect by cracked roadway surfaces.

382	Follow up on ordinance problems and then enforce.
383	Probably anything to protect farmland and forest areas is a good thing.
384	We need a little less regulation. The current UDC the state imposes is overbearing and restricts municipalities ability for flexibility. I think local governments need to define "open space". This term can be used to mask government control over land use.
385	I believe the laws in place now are working.
386	I have a little hunting and fishing cabin 14'x 22'. I only spend about 10 days a year there on Neimi Rd. The road is always rough going in and out. Would like to see if graded more. Most of the people that own cabins are there more than I am.
387	Junk collection, dumping *unknown & enforcement)
388	More attention has to be placed on the appearance of rental units. These slum dwellings have a very negative affect on surrounding properties that are kept in good repair and appearance.
389	Working very well.
390	Already have too many ordinances.
391	I feel that when you are told how and what you are allowed to do with your own property it is like living in a communist county. Jackson County is no different then other areas in the nation. the government wants full control of everything people have.
392	Ordinances are working well but you have to apply appropriate fines for the non followers (have no mercy).
393	Improvement - eliminate large scale animal farms
394	As a rural home owner it is a relief not to have strict building codes. Please do not over regulate what a person can do or punish residents with perits and higher taxes when they improve their property.
395	Should not be as easy to "get around" ordinacnes with a lawyer and "good old boy" methods.
396	Noise firecrackers, etc. Loose dogs, loud motorcycles.
397	Need to work on protecting agricultural and woodland/wetlands.
398	Keep good farmland as farmland not for big houses.
399	Removal of junk or debris in Town of Manchester is not being enforced as it should be.
400	Junk trailers aren't being cleaned up in a timely manner. At least 2 in the town of Bear Bluff are still in place and are an eyesore and unsafe.
401	Junk yards
402	Control junk and junk vehicles. There needs to be a buffer between properties.
403	Very large farms need improvement, Manure spreading needs improvement, manure pits need improvement. Sewer ordinance over enforced.
404	Need to improve on ways to police violations and problems.
405	you need to regulate driveway, yard, basements, all new construction where dirt is being changed. Too many people excavating new sites with no clue as to what is best for the property owner. Just live with the mess. All money for the project is spent on very poor work. there needs to be codes and inspections on new sites before buildings are put up! Just buy excavation equipment and you become an expert.
406	Too many requirements that increases the expense of living on your own land. Too much property tax.
407	I feel there is too much government control. Our county, state and federal government are gradually taking away our freedom to live and do with the property we buy, what we want to (even if the neighbors don't care). Since the Soviet Union has proved to the world that government control is destructive to a country. If a problem exists let's work on that and not make everybody buy the right to do what he or she wants to do.
408	The town of Franklin just voted for county zoning. Will know more in a few years.
409	Noise ordinance.
410	It is simply my impressino that once you get outside the city of BRF, anything goes, and that's fine to a point. Ther's a certain amount of rural charm in that, but there's a fine line between rural charm and looking the other way where improvement and unsafe building and zoning practices are concerned.
411	Fence/control junk yards.

412	Too much junk all around the county.
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52.	Tell us what other concerns, if any, you have about the future of Jackson County.
1	excessive property taxation increasing cost of excessive law enforcement
2	More industry. Low education level but still a need for higher paying industrial jobs. Bring in another health clinic and more commercial businesses. Preserve the beautiful astetics of the county.
3	government needs to stay out of a lot of the decisions. Don't hold people and businesses back unless it is something that is going to truly hurt somebody or something. Let people and businesses succeed.
4	Education for the kids, and then good jobs when they get older. Farming's not going to hack it for the majority.
5	Preserve Jackson County's natural beauty and rural character through a comprehensive plan.
6	Land development has been out of control over the past 10-20 years in Jackson County. We need laws that will allow the county to achieve a zero net gain in long term developed land. How can the county continue to feel that unsustainable land use is ok? I am down right saddened by the amount of unsustainable land development in Jackson County over the past decade or 2. The rural/natural resource feel is what used to be so great here. Now theres development everywhere you look: our farms are being eaten into by housing, our forests are being fragmented, our river/stream set backs are so lack it's ridiculous, and our country side is on a trend for a house on every hill. This county is heading on a crash course in the wrong direction. Thanks for allowing this survey opportunity. Bottom line is that people aren't going to stop urban sprawl in Jackson County on their own so we need much, much more regulation and education on the reasons that we MUST achieve sustainable land use. Thanks again for this opportunity.
7	Jackson County needs an identity...is it a tourist destination? rural farming community?
8	Your primary concern should be lowering property taxes and making cutbacks. I don't think you realize that when people have to choose between buying food & paying taxes - they're going to buy food. The only things you need to concern yourself with is safety & law enforcement issues. Let the municipalities handle the rest: schools & economic development. Housing needs & transportation is up to the private sector. When there are needs, companies will see opportunities to fill them.
9	I'm fed up with the county allowing and encouraging more ATV use on what used to be town roads. They come out here all beer'd up, tossing their trash as they go and leaving the residents to clean up after them. Confine those clowns to areas where you can control them. We have enough red necks tossing their beer cans everywhere. Oh ya, and I'm tired of paying for the signage the county puts up allowing them to run around on the roads!
10	Way too many semis using the state and county roads. This is the major problem in road maintenance. There are 100's of miles of county road ditches - could we develop bike trails somewhere. Try to keep property taxes down, stay frugal.
11	Property tax payers shouldn't have the larger burden of taxation in order to make Jackson Cty a better place to live. Shouldn't more of the burden be distributed to the casino & other larger businesses?
12	Inequalities in property tax laws are forcing destruction of remaining mature hardwood forests. "Recreational" land is taxed at a rate 10X greater than agricultural land. Woodlands enrolled in programs to reduce taxes are being "managed" using agricultural techniques unsuited to the task resulting in clear-cuts and total destruction of small ecosystems. Too much attention is devoted to promotion of already overpopulated game animals like deer. Inadequately regulated agricultural operations (CAFOs, large mono-cultural tracts, aquaculture, agricultural irrigation) threaten the environment, especially groundwater. Poorly regulated land use (motorized "recreational" vehicle parks and trails, uncontrolled shooting ranges) cause landowner conflicts and damage the environment. Most of these issues will only worsen as population density rises. The State won't be able to regulate in the current economic/political climate. This puts

	responsibility squarely at the local level where the "tyranny of the majority" usually prevails over careful thought and planning. The bottom line is as it always has been: money. Good luck.
13	Our streets need repair in Black River Falls. Need housing for elderly people who can't shovel snow, cut grass or clean up yard in the fall. Hope that our stores down town can get more business but we know that will be very hard to do with our new way of shopping.
14	We have to maintain our harvesting of wood from J.C. Forests. Replanting is a must or all we'll have is black brush. Seeing a lot of dead fall in some woods. Insist logging operations work within time frame after winning bids.
15	Farming: Maneur management regulatinos need to be enforced more. Land needs to be checked, not just the books the farmers record on.
16	Unfortunately I don't know what polices and/or ordinances are bieng discussed. I love the fact that Jackson Cty. has so many recreation opportunities for sportsmand and lots of areas taht are not developed. I am concerned about the loss of native hardwoods & plant species. I am also concerned about cranberry marsh development where there is no water source and fouling of streams w/irrigation. Ultimately I believe the county's greatest is land. Has anyboed looked into seasonal fees for ATV trails? I would like to see that in the future. I would love to keep rural areas rural. With organic companies seeing an increase in sales. I would like to preserve as much farmland as possible.
17	I think the appeal of Jackson Cty to future residents and property owners is the "country feel", farming lands, forests, lakes, rivers & streams and not over populated is what attracts people here for a quiet lifestyle away from the ongestion of the big cities, when the developers com in, all the homes in the subdivisions look the same just as all the strip malls look the same.
18	Building permits for additions and other buildings. Electrical, plumbing, HVAC permits, inspections of all mechanical installations, local inspectors, license and insurance requirements for building and MEP contractors. Permit Fees!!
19	Top priority should be economic development. We should become a leader in the development of smart/green industry; particularly renewable energy, efficient building and transportation.
20	Property taxes are getting way too out of line. Jackson County roads are a disgrace along with a great number of town roads.
21	One of my concerns is the high rate Jackson Cty. Elect Coop charges to run elect. to seasonal residence. They want over \$10,000 to run elect to my cabin on old 95. outrageous, so I use a generator for my elect. Had natural gas installed for around \$500
22	User fee should be implemented for use of county services for non-county residents. Fees could be used to maintain ATV trails, boat landings, parks, etc. ATV trails should be expanded, brings revenue to county I think this survey was a great idea.
23	"Preserving the land is best for the future"
24	DNR has too much power. Hunters (and we are all deer hunters) have shot too man young bucks. we used to have 10-15 deer in our fields. Now we have 4. Let the hunters vote when we buy our licenses. Let us vote on upcoming issues.
25	There is very little youth activities in the county. Ther there are very few activities for seniors. We need a new Senir Citizen Center. Transportation options are few if any. Not enough group homes for younger adults.
26	County government should get back to the basics of providing good public services (public health care, etc) good roads (STH F,P,C and others need millions to get back to something worthwhile) and public schools (work with the locals on this issues). Leave the pie in the sky "smart growth" alone. Housing markets and land sales will take care of themselves!!!
27	We would like to see the industrial park upgraded so businesses will come and provide good jobs for young families.
28	Jackson County has some of the most beautiful public lands in Wisconsin. I favor more emphasis on quiet sports (bike, hike, cross country ski) on these lands and nearby roads.
29	The County road system is falling apart literally. The way the roads are redone takes way too long and costs way too much. I've built roads on construction for over 25 years and this needs to be changed. I believe that ther are too many restrictions on landowners and what they can do with their land both from the DNR and

	the Zoning Commission.
30	We need to cut spending everywhere possible, slow or stop "growth" on a county level and lower. Move away from the idea that bigger is better. Reduce the tax burden created by local, county and Schooling waste and corruption.
31	<p>I have concerns that regulations and ordinances are becoming too restrictive, especially considering shoreland/wetland ordinances. Decisions should be left up to local jurisdictions using common sense and sound engineering practices instead of sweeping restrictive regulations that do not make common sense in all applications.</p> <p>I am concerned that minimum lot size for allowance of residential development may become too restrictive.</p> <p>Businesses need to be supported and encouraged to keep the community alive.</p> <p>Overall, I do have concerns that this survey is quite suggestive, leading some to choose seemingly positive answers that may be interpreted completely differently than one intends.</p> <p>I hope this works out for the benefit of all - it may change my decision on whether to move to the area to raise my family.</p>
32	What we don't need is anything that increases our property taxes at this time. With so many people losing their jobs and their 401k's we can't afford more people losing their homes. We do need more affordable housing for the elderly and disabled. maybe a complex with it's own energy source (wind turbine, solar, etc) I'd like to see Jackson Cty be #1 in providing our county with energy through our natural resources wind, water, & sun.
33	Poor job base, poor housing stock. Need the creation of more living wage jobs. Need to invest in public schools & quality education.
34	Zoning has gone overboard on saying what we can do with our land. But they let a campground come in that has sex parties and drugs brought to our community. It brings in dangerous people here and no one stops illegal doings. What were the people thinking that let this happen here. I am ashamed to have family go past there. We are being taxed out of our homes.
35	Property tax, electrical, fuel all have risen. The per hour job income has not. As fuel gets more expensive it will force people to limit travel to work in either Eau Claire or La Crosse. Need a better job base. Two people working at \$7/hr does not pay bills in BRF.
36	I am concerned that in the future I will lose my house due to the extremely high property taxes in this area and this state. I am concerned that our local, state, and federal government is out of control with taxing it's citizens. Yes, it is nice to have new schools, parks etc. but it is also nice to have food, clothing and a house to live in.
37	Better jobs and roads. More stores like dept. stores.
38	Need condos, elderly housing & transportation. Also support for local restaurants & downtown businesses. Teenage petty crime - vandalism, curfew, theft.
39	Most regulations cite minimum conditions that need to be met & discipline poor development; we should also have some incentives for innovative projects that promote good new ideas that demonstrate sound land use & get people thinking differently. Do not penalize good developers by requiring them to fund improvements that should be provided by gov't, (e.g impact fees). We end up with multi-tiered levels of regulation (i.e.) town, county, state, federal) that are overlapping & confusing.
40	Funding for Social Services. Some that are too lazy to work get more funding than our veterans.
41	I feel the county should sell some of its land to increase the tax base. Putting land up for sale would help bring down the high price of land in Jackson County. The cost of land is too high.
42	I live in the county, I'm just worried about the development of subdivisions in my back yard. I like the fact of not having to lock my doors at night, abundance of wildlife, and I don't have to worry about neighbors looking in my windows because their house is so close.
43	The quality of the water in the watersheds surrounding Jackson County is very important to us. The conservation and maintenance of the beauty of the streams and waterways is of great importance. The regulation of building setbacks from public waterways with blendable colors so the natural beauty of waterways can be enjoyed.
44	Not to have a large government
45	We must get tough on keeping property clean whether it be city or rural. Let's put teeth in these laws. Get Jackson County clean of junk of all kinds. I'm a lifelong citizen of Jackson County.

46	Taxes increase each year with less services. We need to keep spending under control & limit overtime pay which make living in our community desirable. Les sgovernment will keep taxes affordable expanding government will increase taxes whcih puts burden on the average family.
47	Need better biking roads & routes. Paved route from Castle Mound to Wazee. Need a North/South airport runway to be a better airport & accommodate the DNR/S.E.A.T plan for wildfires. Also have a hydrant or CISTERN for a water source.
48	Building outdoor privy's, all land should have proper sanitation systems even if the use is occasional.
49	My wife and I live and work in Minocqua, WI. We bought property in Jackson Cty because of it's rural character. i.e. peace and quiet & friendly communities. Whay your county zonig is doing now is working well. Don't try to promote or "sell" anymoer thatn what you're doing now.
50	I do not want ordinances that force existing landowners to have to spend money they may not have to change. Need to consider costs involved to owners in more rural less affluent areas.
51	Vacant storefronts, lack of recycling in schools & community, quality of schools.
52	Bus & railroads increased use.
53	Public schools and the importance of superb education - we seem to sacrifice education to get our kids through school. Child welfare-What would we do without the Boys and Girls Club and the programs they provde for our kids. We need more programs like this one!
54	There are too many places in town either for sale or empty. Something has to be done so people can afford to have businesses in town. Use the old buildings & schools instead of always wanting to rebuild. People can't afford that and now light bills will be going up & property taxes. It gets to be too much.
55	Jackson Co. is a recreation county. We need to develop this part of our area for the good of all the residences not just a few very large farms who are being subsidised & getting larger.
56	None at this time - all seems to have been covered in this survey.
57	Do not sell county land or land rights.
58	Where is all the money coming from for new schools, fairgrounds, roads, dam? We are being taxed to death as it is. Soon we won't be able to live in our homes. Because taxes are going crazy now. If you keep raising taxes, most people are going to have to rent. Then who's gong to pay all these taxes. the lights keep going up, heat costs alot more. Food has doubled in the last year. But our pay doesn't. I lost my job and so has many more in Jackson County.
59	My taxes are too high on my home. I am 82 yrs old and it's really hard for me to pay them.
60	Loss of public land to private ownership.
61	Jackson County has the worst roads in the state. If you can't afford to fix the roads then fire all the road employees. The Jackson County Sheriff's Department should have more officers on duty. They do a great job but are underfunded.
62	Jackson County really needs a dump. Several cities and townships have them, but you have to live in that township or city.
63	Property taxes and poor roads/maintenance.
64	I own a recrreational property. My interst is seeing Jackson County stay rural with outdoor opportunities.
65	Too many people let the appearance of their property deteriorate or don't properly maintain it.
66	The woods & waters have always been a major draw for tourists. Not enough is being done to protect these things from development and excess taxes.
67	The ATV trail system should be better groomed and promoted adding additional roads for trails. Jackson County has done much to the opposite. I live 1/2 mile from the trail yet I have to trailer my ATV. I should be allowed to ATV to the trail. As a resident, this should be allowed when ATVing does not conflict with traffic.
68	Hwy 12/24 from I94 thru BRF is in bad need of repair with deep pot holes, cracks and missing pavement (dangerous) also: the piles of debris at exit from I94 and 12/27 us ab eye sore and reflects a bad image for

	visitors to BRF's (the remains of some businesses or motel that was torn down should be cleaned up)
69	We need to establish a wider range of economic opportunities for our residents. We have upper end and lower end jobs but few in the middle. In the absence of more economic opportunities in the middle, our your people will continue to move away and take thier ideas for innovation & growth with them.
70	Please don't urbanize rural Jackson County.
71	Property taxes must be kept in check, fire and law enforcement are lacking. Utilities need better upkeep.
72	Lower taxes for elderly.
73	Know most important item is to lower property taxes. Eliminate government waste.
74	No opinion to large amount of questions. Do not come to area often even though have parcel of land.
75	Keep the roads in good shape!! City needs to improve more of our streets. I lived over 15 years at this resident and the city do not do anything of our street, net even patching the cal-du-sac where I live. It needs to be repaired. Number 1 priority is roads and streets. We the people are all taxpayers and hope to keep roads and street in good shape. Every person use the roads and street.
76	Sounds like you are working on your planning process. I am a member of my town's planning commission so am quite aware of the issues you may have upcoming.
77	Property taxes
78	Crime and increase taxes.
79	Increase and maintain strong law enforcement presence in towns be Sheriff's Dept. as well as local law enforcement to keep community safe.
80	concern about any regulations or restrictions on what a person can do with their property.
81	no more casions, gaming place and a place for adult entertainment. Please keep it family orientated, a natural place of beauty.
82	We need other sources of revenue to avoid the excessive load on land owners. Taxes are high enough now - charge fees and reduce county government costs to prevent higher real estate taxes.
83	Do not need new neighbors, do not need trucks. Big rucks should OWN their roads. We have lived here 30 years plus, at Fairchild, town of Garfield. We know everything that's taking place.
84	I am concerned that the landowner that pays the taxes is being left out of the decision making.
85	Grave concerns about future of school district including adequacy o ffacilities, curriculum, etc. Aslo we would like to see more "green" practices in mandatory fashion for public units as it makes economic sense and is attractive to prospective community members. Economic development is critical for the community future. There are too many empty buildings downtown. We need to make the community attractive (economically, aesthetically * academically) to attract businesses and individuals. The loss of so many students to open enrollment in schools doesn't bode well to those considering relocating here. Thanks!
86	Why does Irving not have recycling? Also internet (high speed internet) not available to rural land owners. Not enough of a need is what Centurytel says. I know 15 families in 1/2 mile and they will not spend the moneys for us. There is a demand but no help.
87	Like any county or city, pre-planning of infrastructure is crucial. Govenment must guide but not rule to help the county grow successfully. Roads, public services, housing regulatinos and guidelines must be in place to have successful growth. There should be adequate farming, forrestry, industrial, commercial & residential to each support the supply and demand. Preplanning is crucial! 10, 20 & 30 year plans are necessary.
88	Too many houses popping up all over rural areas, too much logging (strip), selective is fine along w/replanting. More solar would be nice. Also too many sub-developments.
89	Urban sprawl with junk infested properties with inadequate septic systems.
90	Where do you want to start.
91	Keeping people up on the changes as they are being made.
92	Jobs, jobs, jobs Clean up of formal Pines Motel on corner of I94 and exit 116.
93	Let's not get too much Gov. control - use the townships and out lying areas as a tool to keep less unwanted rules and regulations that could become cumbersome.

94	Low paying jobs, loss of tourist interest, fall hunting way down, deer & turkey numbers down in the state forest, wolf numbers out of control, safety concerns for my pets. DNR cut backs in trout stocking, taxes too high must reduce burden on tax payers especially in a low paying job market, drugs.
95	Jobs, jobs, jobs! If Jackson Co. is going to continue to grow and prosper, there needs to be incentives for manufacturers and other employers to build or expand future operations here! Providing good paying jobs for the county residents is key to the quality of life for everyone.
96	Jackson Co. is fine like it is, and does not need to grow.
97	Taxes are outrageous considering we are on a sand road and get no benefits.
98	I would like to see preservation of the rural nature of the county but not too restrictive. Needs to be flexible.
99	Need more things for teens to do.
100	The emphasis on attracting snowmobilers, atv's and hunters has resulted in a tremendous increase in noise in the countryside and town roads which permit atv & snowmobile traffice. The amount of 10-20 acres of land required to establish a residence needs to increase to attract high quality residential development. The increased routes for ATV and snowmobiles, town roads, etc. not only reduces wildlife but threatens to not only drive out seasonal residers like us who were attracted to 20 acres by outside and natrual beauty.
101	As a long time retiree, I realize my opinion on these items will probably be very different from someonw half or one-fourth my age. However, I do realize that Jackson Co. has a rather large aging population. The salw of Pine View was really stupid! Taxes will go up anyway and asking a group of badly informed voters to maybe pay an extra \$100 or so on taxes was a bad move. The mistake is, of course, a "done deal". Are we better off without Pine View?
102	Law enforcement - good job. Keep our grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren safe.
103	We need larger population to support our large geographic area. More jobs would help create this.
104	I want to be confident that businesses such as the Teflon Coating plant in Taylor are not creating long term polution.
105	road and law enforcement are the tow things all residents share equal, should get priorities.
106	The rules need to be in the middle not the extreme right or left.
107	With too many zoning & regulations it makes it hard for us Amish to live a simple & reasonable life as our forefathers example was left back for us.
108	We need good paying alternative jobs situations in this area. Our taxes are too high for the small area we are in. My relatives pay less in other states then we pay in the this little town.
109	We are sorry we can't be of more help to you. We love things as they are.. the beautiful country feel and the friendly people and atmosphere. All is so perferct, deer hunting is when we are there for 1 full week. Thank you kindly.
110	Need to be sure the right laws are created to insure that no more nude camps move into the area. It really decreases the value of the area.
111	Higher unemployment rate, low wages and hight taxes.
112	As a cabin owner we have no complaints.
113	This survey is poorly done.
114	When a landowner buys land he pays for it. The owner pays the taxes on it. However the owner has very little to say about what he can do with his land. The county tells him what he can or cannot do on this land. there is too much government. Property tax is too high!
115	Taxes are way too high. There is too much government and county regulations already.
116	I think there should be some one outside of school board make decision on taxes being spent. It's like one person on school board told me that a \$15,000 door was put in where a \$5,000 doore would've work, code wire. We can't keep going on spending money like this, one day this is catch us with our pants down and people well lose things. One thing I can't understand why we didn't us that \$6 million on fair park on the school if our school is so important!
117	Degradion of natural resources under pressure to eet economic needs. Need more emphasis on energy conservation public and private.
118	More city law enforcement officers available on our city streets as it stands, you seldom see any officer on the street making himselff available to the public. Lots of trust and info can be gained by doing so.

119	Economy & ecology
120	<p>One of my main concerns is the ongoing need for greater openness and acceptance of diversity. Low income and minority students and families seem to "suffer" the same hardships that they did in my BRF childhood (30 years ago).</p> <p>This connects with access to educational opportunities, and enrichment opportunities for children and youth of all ages.</p> <p>The World is Flat according to T. Freidman, we have to prepare all of our Jackson County young people for a global economy.</p> <p>I also worry about preserving the natural beauty of Jackson County. We were once the Deer Capitol of Wisconsin, I do not mind if we hold on to that title--but I DO NOT want Jackson County to be the ATV capitol of WI.</p>
121	Don't avoid the obvious
122	The most important is taxes.
123	After paying taxex on my land for over 40 years I get very little in return. No electricity, 10 miles to take garbage every other Sat. I am on the Pray Rd north of Pray
124	Road maintenance - fixing roads and snow/ice removal.
125	Establish term limits for county board members. Close ATV trails and open them to hikers & bikers, the Sheriff's Dept should absorb the BRF Police Dept. and county parks (Wazee) should be open to COUNTY RESIDENTS with no fee.
126	I do not feel taxes are created equal. Agriculture is being taxed incorrectly. A farmer with 200 acres is taxed less than a log home in the country.
127	Amish have to follow county zoning ordinances. Good Luck.
128	Besides hunting, I bought the property in Jackson County for the peace, quiet and sheer beauty of the area. It's very secluded and I would like to keep it that way. I'm not against county development, the County needs to develop and grow; I was hoping that the secludedness will still be there when I retire in the next 5 to 10 years. I plan on moving to the area to build a home and work, I like the Black River area.
129	Good effort to obtain input. Some of the "not sure & "no opinion" responses require more detail to answer properly. Also, some of the questions were inherently biased and difficult to answer without more information. I'm interested to see how this comprehensive land use planning information will be used.
130	fragmentation and loss of natural landscapes to all kinds of development; degradation of environmental quality by under-regulated, overly-intensive industrial agriculture practices
131	<p>The County should promote renewable energy, assist business and residents with wind and solar power installations.</p> <p>Promote organic agriculture and local food production.</p>
132	As a recreational land owner in Garden Valley (40 acres) for 40 years, it seems unfair taht we are taxed so heavily compared to farmers. We are using the schools, roads etc less than residents. and we spen money while we are up at the land. I don't want to pay more taxes because it is assumed we can afford more.
133	hunting & fishing rights retained by the county needs to be resinded back to the taxpayer of the property - this is wrong.
134	Jackson Co is running a tax scam - by taxing private property owners and the county retaining the hunting and fishing rights. Property owners should be given a choice - if they allow hunting ect. - lower taxes - if not tax the same.
135	Hunting and fishing rights retained by the county need to be resinded back to taxpayer.
136	The trend in logging seems to be leaving the pine and cutting the oakes. I would not like to see Jackson County becoming a huge Pine Farm in the future.
137	Jackson co is a great place to be. Quality of life is very important here.
138	Enforce the codes on the books and not make new ones.
139	The use of the so called land management program aka "sell you trees to pay less taxes" to reduce your property taxes. The tree cutting is not managed , the woods are stripped with branches & stumps left for a poor re-growth & being a real fire hazard! It's mis-management! Besides that the reduced property taxes is less money for things like road maintenance--Manchester is is increasingly short of funds for a roadside mower, sand, & salt on the roads in winter. People ducking out of taxes for a misguided program is not the way to go!

140	Many county roads are in dire need of repair and upgrading. State of Wisconsin needs to raise fuel tax & make sure the funds are used for road & bridge repair and replacement!
141	It seems all I ever hear about from county is that we need to expand recreational areas but is getting to point of overkill. Another point is the number of house built in countryside. Compared with 3 years ago, there is so many more. Number of these people want some services and be able to impose their ways on neighbors or if live in town their going to be more conflict between them and the ag & hunters and recreation.
142	The junk in some people's yards is an eyesore.
143	Taxes are high so many don't want to build or purchase land or homes in our county. Family farms are disappearing.
144	LCD unwilling to enforce nutrient management and conservation plans thus endangering our groundwater.
145	Poor roads, keep property taxes down
146	I hope that property taxes do not exccalate rapidly and that government stay out of a lot of stuff. Keep budget balanced.
147	I would like to see development of cross country ski trails for use in BRF. Right now I have to travel to Bruce Mound area or Millston or Eau Claire to cross country ski. Golf course? Minor equipment and outlay of expenses would be needed to groom trail December through February. You could probably get vulunteers (myself included) to help. Thanks!
148	Jackson County needs a good plan to release county owned land for economic development. They need to identify major business and industry in the county and assist them in their growth needs, not blcok them. We need to expand our job base and tax base.
149	Stop catering to kayaks & canoes on Black River and start catering to boats & fisherman who have to PAY to register them and buy lisences. the channel of the river is almost gone, in the southern part of the county. It is almost impossible to navigate a boat most of the year. It wasn't that way 20 years ago. Nothing has been done to help the fishermen, trapper, huner or help the river of fish itself. Everything is done to help the kayaks & canoes who pay nothing. It's time to help the river itself for the people who live around it, and have used it like our ancestors did. Try taking a paddle wheeler up the river now!
150	Need to supply medical alert cards for EMS people to view on our refrigerator in emergency calls to our home. JCHS could supply these items.
151	Keep ATVs in Black River Falls where you profit from their destruction of nature and roadways. People piad for their homes and land and want sole control of such. Don't need the DNR or Zoning Commission to take control.
152	I am concerned about all the littering along highways and freeway. It gets worse each year. People need to mow their yards and keep junk off them, especially in areas that are seen from the highway.
153	Maintain county roads better.
154	Preservation of natural beauty of area, clean air, clean waterways, wetland preservation.
155	We need to attract companies that pay above minimum wage, have training, and benefits to support families. We should advocate for the light rail to come through to provide transportation to jobs outside the area (Eau Claire, Mpls/St Paul, LaCrosse, Rochester, Madison, Milwaukee) We need planning to make the area more attractive for tourists and businesses.
156	The roads in Jackson County are some of the poorest in West Central WI. More effort needs to be put in purchasing materials and less in equipment & personnel. We need to created businesses that will keep people in small town/rural areas.
157	I think Brockway homeowners should also have opportunity to to remodel, etc. their homes under a "government plans" same as City of BRF.
158	There will be no future for Jackson Cty if something isn't done about keeping our young people here...they are leaving to find employment elsewhere. It is time for new county board members. We need members with new ideas and vision for our county.
159	I am concerned that the road crew does not respect the frontage of the land owner. I have come home with the "raping fo my trees". The brush hog leaves a horrible site for a long time. Cutting & trimming is one thing but I've been very angry and have called our town chairperson being told they need to in order for the snowplow to get there. That is hogwash! Our road is plenty wide. Also, logging on county land also leaves a horrible eyesore for those of us that have to drive by several times a day. Let's have non-invasive loggers in the future!
160	Taxes will drive people off non-farmable land

161	I think the county would do well to forge policies that promote small scale diverse agricultural business like specialty food crops, free range poultry, etc. There is a growing interest in and market for these products. Many could even be done on a five acre parcel. A key factor in ag vs. residential use is to focus not on lot size buth rather on the actual use.
162	We live in Waukesha County and have seen our rural areas turn into a terrible mess because of poor planning. Strip malls, shopping centers and Wal-Marts come in and then close and stand empty. Fast food restaurants often follow Wal-Marts and take away from small business restaurants and destroy rural atmosphere. Plan well, you only have one chance to make it right.
163	Jakcson County has outstanding natural resources which will be critically important to the future of the County. I would like to see a strong approach to environmental stewardship and a vision for a sustainable future with emphasis on renewable energy.
164	My cabin has been broken into 2 times in the last 3 years. Miscelleaneous items were stolen. Would be in favor of anything to deter breakins. More sheriff/police presence follow up efforts to catch those responsible for breadins. Education programs to reduce risk of break ins.
165	I think Jackson Cty does not need to grow too fast. It may need growth but yo should even it out with residential and commercial development. If it expands too big you will take ruralness out and a lot of people will go somewhere else for vacation and fun.
166	High property taxes with low government services.
167	the Oakewood Lake project has silted the creek and Lower Lake and damaged the ecosystem of Lower Lake.
168	don't cave in to metallic mining companies they damage streams.
169	Too many dollars leave the County because there are so few places for residents to trade in the County. Money goes to Eau Claire, La Crosse, Marshfield, Wausau. Hwy 12/27 is one long junkyard especially The Pines and asphalt plant!!!
170	Sustainability, environmental protection
171	Develop more businesses on Main Street in Black River Falls.
172	The hap-hazard development of housing on prime tillable land. Increase in population at the expense of the environment.
173	Promote economic development.
174	Public resources are valuable assets in the ocunty and need proper protection and management
175	We are in desparate need of more employment opportunities for the average working person. Otherwise this town will become a ghost town. People are having to move away to find a job that pays more than \$5.00 per hour. Take a drive down Main Street and count how many vacant businesses are there.
176	Losing our State and County forests to logging and more cranberry marshes. We have enough marshes already. We don't need more chemicals in our enviroment
177	Taxes seem to go up every year with no improvements.
178	Industry is needed for higher paying jobs.
179	Would like to keep Jackson Co as a rural area and not overly developed.
180	Rural recreational private and public lands are being overused by motorized vehicles.
181	This county needs to start understanding that everything does not revolve around BRF. If it isn't good for BRF, the 10 cent millionares who run this county will not allow it to happen. Get off their holier than thou horse and wake up. The people are not going to take this crap anymore.
182	I would like to see Jackson County move away from greater control over policy from the federal gov't and more local control.
183	What concerns me is the poluting of our lands with the county selling out to money industries in one way or another. NOT promoting alternative energy sources. Mega farms poluting the streams.
184	I would like to see reliable electric service & food coops in Jackson County. Need a new road at Matson Rd from Spring Creek Rd to Hwy H. Poor main plowing, bad patch work. This is the worst road in Jackson County.
185	Job opportunities and taxes are too high.
186	DNR has too much power and the state should not own so much land and we don't get any tax base from it.

187	We should be able to sell what ever partial of land, to who ever we want, whatever size they want.
188	Our county's greatest asset is our public land and recreation. Need to establish programs to ensure land is safe and well kept for public use. Need programs to keep family farms safe.
189	Schools period.
190	Economic growth and development. Educational opportunities, specifically the tech school to keep the youth in our area.
191	Clear cutting and the expansion of cranberry bogs.
192	The taxes onmy land are too high as is the valuation. The taxes went up 70% in on e year and I cannot afford to keep paying the higher taxes. I have advertised the land for sale at \$2000/acre. The assessed price and got one offer for 20 acres at \$1000/arcree. I advertised in the Melrose Chronicle, La Crosse Tribune, Minneapolis Star and Milw. Journal-Sentinel. The land is not worth the valuation. The taxes frightened several buyers.
193	Econominc development. I have heard that Jackson County is the poorest in the state.
194	The forests of Jackson Cty are our most valualbe asset. Over development will only underminnd quality of life and the economic of the area.
195	Make sure there are enough jobs to keep people employed and keep property taxes down. Also utilities costs keep rising and there is no difference in service and the quality of water in the Village of Alma Center is unacceptable! Roads will always need to be maintained and replaced but Jackson County does a good job. We need more awareness to preserve and keep jackson County looking beautiful.
196	Need to develop better work ethic in the available jackson County work force. Too many people are poor employees.
197	Most of the concerns of this survey will be addressed by the current economic crisis of which you and I have little control over. Birth rates will be declining so to environmental and food polution. Getting over the baby boomer population bubble will be a major issue. Hopefully as mans influence declines, material will nature will return the Jack son County, environment back to a more environmentally same status. Good luck.
198	Stick with basics. Fix what have ROADS. HEALTH CARE, FIRE DEPT. Nice to grow - can we afford it?
199	Barnyard permits a waste of time & money.
200	I don't understand why this county ddoes not have a WiFi Toner. there is federal funding for such efforts. Dial-up and local satellite services are too slow and antiquated. I also have no idea what villages like Hixton will do now that most businesses have been driven out. This is a very unattractive little town that at one time was an attractive place. Not picking on Hixton, as dozens of little towns in ths area have suffered at the hands of elected officials. who did not have the skills or know how to change with the times.
201	Although zoning isn't perfect, I think the townships that are not in it are doing their citizens a disservice.
202	The new school - disagree
203	County Zoning is extremely important to the future of our county develoment. Zoning Administrator has donea very good job in coordinating and implementing procedures. - Bob Darkow
204	Concerned about the couts having a back log and they keep postponing a lot of cases for months at a time. Also the crime rate is very high and we're not even near Chicago or other big cities.
205	I am concerned with the amount of polution, drinking and trespassing that takes place during the summer on the lower Black River. If we are not careful and ignore the problem the lower Black will turn into the apple river and our prestine resource will be destroyed.
206	Trailers mobil homes should be taxed it they are used as a residence just like a house or cabin is.
207	There should be a county wide ordinance prohibiting CAFO's from operating in the county.
208	Need to develop Bio-Mass fuel usage for generating electricity and heating public buildings.
209	Wouldn't want something in county without whole county wanting it
210	At one point in my ownership, there was a threat of mining in Jackson County. Is this no longer a threat?
211	High taxes and land owner rights.
212	Over zoning kills business opportunities.

213	Very poor regulation of township government activities.
214	I had 7 cows on my 60+ acres with 2 small fields. I pay more taxes than farmers with 300-400 acres. I use my woods the same as any other farmer. Some farmers rent their land out and still get all the breaks when they make \$10's of thousands renting their land out. It seems totally unfair I let my cows in the fields and some of the woods. I was told to fence all of my woods in and get more cows. The farmers don't fence all of their woods. I was paying up top \$60/acre. Seems unfair.
215	Need a united (all townships) front to achieve. Good job Terry ET AL!!!
216	Allowing farm fertilizers and pesticides to contaminate wetlands and game resources. It is a disturbing thought knowing these chemicals are harming fish & wildlife.
217	Courthouse staff very customer friendly - Register or Deeds, surveyor, all good. This is not the case in all WI counties. I'm a landowner in two other counties, Jackson is the BEST.
218	I don't like government in any aspect. I like to reduce government, like Jackson County ordinances. I don't think gov't should be in the business of land speculation and development. Lala Polusa Estates cost the tax payers a lot of money and the city has only lost money because of it. You should try not spending tax dollars for sometime. Collecting of taxes will get harder in the coming years.
219	Wind turbines absolutely ruin the landscape. I would rather pay for electricity than look at them all day. I am a 48 state truck driver, I've seen many, not a pleasant view.
220	Higher drug crime rate, alcohol abuse. Building regulations road maintenance.
221	I think that the county should address the issue of unlighted buggy-horse travel after sunset. There have been many close calls with auto-buggy crashes. Most have something, reflectors, some lights. Then there are those on highways way after dark in a black buggy, absolutely nothing for warning. The heavier traveled roads should be watched more, especially on Sunday evenings.
222	I think our county is unique with various businesses and public access to river and hunting land. I think our local government officials are doing a great job and have been doing a great job at promoting and helping our county grow with the years.
223	My concern for the future of Jackson County is that we will have too much gov't interference and "guidance" of the private citizens. I also would like to know who the other jurisdictional units and intergovernmental parties are who will be promoting all the joint planning
224	Continue to keep campers & mobile homes from popping up just anywhere.
225	Quality of drinking water in Hatfield area. There is a low percentage of high quality water for residents in this area. and water service companies do not provide perfect water whether it be for drinking, cleaning clothes, maintaining clear toilet tanks, or clear healthy looking water.
226	Try to keep as many lakes as possible in Jackson County. It is a great relaxing pastime and lakes bring in business for local communities.
227	you must have 35 acres of farm land to build a home or work land.
228	Too many atv's screaming by on the roads, throwing out beer cans and garbage. Tired of all the noise and trash!
229	I am concerned that the recreational areas not become over expanded and used.
230	It is a good place to enjoy the outdoors and enjoy ourselves by ourselves. We work in a larger city and enjoy the peace and quiet except for the wild animals.
231	Road maintenance, sell off county owned land, reduce size of Sheriff's Dept, make highway dept more efficient.
232	Please fix the holes in the streets and sidewalks. They are both really bad. People from out of town have said driving in this town is awful. I have broken both of my ankles on the sidewalks but no one seems to care if they get fixed or not or if anyone gets hurt and falls or not. The only way anything gets fixed is they wait until something bad happens to someone and then they will fix it. Then it is too late to do anything.
233	I would like to see something done to allow our law enforcement to arrest and deport any illegal immigrants as they are slowly destroying our country. It would greatly increase jobs for the real US Citizens.
234	County needs a dump site or respective dumpsters then the forest would not be filled with furniture and other junk. ATV trail users do not stay on trails. They run into the forest and tear up vegetation. There is nobody to enforce the laws.
235	Maintain the rural character of Jackson County.
	Jobs need to be kept and new jobs brought in. Too many residents are paid by tax dollars (state, county,

236	school employees etc.) compared to private industry. Better industrial park committee is needed not current business owners who would compete for workers/wages.
237	We don't like the government having too much power because it is so expensive.
238	If the county of jackson don't stop this crazy idea that we need to spend millions of dollars for a fancy new school layout we won't be able to afford to live in this area. Kids in the past got a good education without all the fancy buildings. They went to learn not sit in AC comfort and use computers instead of their heads to figure out things and learn to use pencil and paper.
239	I fear that we have the potential of residents in this county to shut down or stop the expansion of farms or industry which would preserve or create jobs. Thanks for listening.
240	I am concerned about the large feed lots around rural Hixton. Ho long until the amount of manure that gets spread on fields is going to effect the quality of water we use? POWTS have a lot of regulations on them yet animal waste can be spread where ever and the millions of tons that are spread in close proximity to privately owned houses.
241	Must protect the clack river. I would prefer to see wake restrictions, possibly controlling seize of motors. Prefer elimination of jet skies. Preserve the river fo canoists, fishing & slow cruising (pontoons).
242	Less government & regulation is what made Jackson County a great place to live. More government may be popular bot nationally and state wide but it does limit personal freedom and owner options to one's land and property.
243	I am a landowner. I have a cabin primarily for bow hunting but I also gun hunt and come up on the weekends, in City Point towndship, too much logging, closing fire lanes and loggers leaving the area impossible to walk thru, have pushed all bowhunters and gun hunters to the sames areas. I don't have a lot of my own land or an ATV to get to my old hunting spots. Many logging roads have been closed or changed to ATV trails and not accessable. I am not real happy.
244	Taxes are too high.
245	Keeping it an agricultural based county that's quiet, scenic and clean.
246	Small communities like Bear Bluff should not be involved in this, Smart Growth is a waste of time.
247	I don't want to see our rural areas turn into villages, keep our woods and wetlands intact. We have an industrial park, utilize it. Bring in more industry, businesses, create more jobs to support our economy. We've had opportunities in the past that we ignored - we need to focus on this.
248	Bringing in industries that give people good jobs with benefits and promote small industry and business too.
249	The county for the most part, shoud "stay out of the way" and let private enterprise develop housing, golf courses, hunting and businesses. County should deal with roads, parks, recreation and county lands and work with private landowners to develop more ATV, ski, snowmobile, hunting, park, hiking, land, trails, etc.
250	I have so much negative about "our dump" the Old Pines. Get it cleaned pu. It's an insult to both our town and our county.
251	Wasteful spending by governmental agencies and higher taxes because of the faulting economy. How about spending freezes in ALL government.
252	Very disappointed with allowing a black top plant (hwy 12 & garage rd) and NCN Campground Hwy 12
253	Require land owners to keep property clean & clear of garbage. Many residences need up keep. Areas looking trashy
254	I live south on Hyw 12 and want ot know when ther will be a road compeleted to cut across to Walmart. I make that trip eery day and it would cut my travel time down consiberably.
255	Property taxes are way to high. They are ridiculous. People can not afford property taxes this high. Other forms of revenue must be developed and utilized.
256	Road next to the old Pines 12 & 27 pot holes have been causing with my car. Struts, wheels & frame. Pot holes are very bad. I am pryaing that this problem is being considered very soon. Will there be an overall review of this question sheet sent to all of us?
257	I bought my farm in 1987 with taxes around \$600 and now they are going through the roof. With next to nothing in services changing I can see me not afording the farm in the future for me or my kids. I can see land will only be for the rich.
258	Overdevelopment like Dane county epecially on farm land results in higher taxes and infrastructure costs
259	Keep all forestry tree cutting away from private property.

260	There are too many wolves killing deer in state forests. Killing of does by hunters should be limited. The deer herd is suffering.
261	Our roads are in terrible shape, especially Cty Rd C from BRF to countyline.
262	DNR has too much power in how residents can use their property. The county needs to say no more with some things within the county.
263	ATV trails are a major tourism resource and are being poorly administed. Huge impact for local businesses.
264	Drinking - snowmobiles & 4 wheelers on trail to late at night after being in bars should ban riding after 12 A.M. on trails. Poor law enforecement on bars open till 3-4 A.M. and seems to be non enforced. Seems like Jackson Co. cares less about late night drinking.
265	Don't look good, why are there not more input by residences when it come to going ahead and doing something. The city council seems to be lacking in knowledge. For example the fairgrounds... tell the Lunda's to give their money to charity.
266	At this time with the economy so bad of course concerns turn to economic development. Jobs help to keep all communities thriving.
267	Too many "dead zones" need more communication towers (cell towers). Also, would like to see development of wind farms and ethonal plants.
268	Jackson County and the State of WI discourage private development & job growth due to overly restrictive administrative/bureaucratic rules. You violate citizen rights in many wayts. Every action a landowner wants to take requires PERMISSION from a non-elected bureaucrat. Get back to the proper role of government; to protect liberty. cCut services & taxes. It is not Govt's job to entertain and care for people. That is the job of the family.
269	Focus business/industry development on forest products and agriculture for food, fiber and fuel. Renewable energy also has to be a priority for residential and commercial buildings.
270	We need to keep forests both state & county from being developed. Also agricultural land from being developed. Jackson County has good forests & ag land not to be developed by greedy people. I velieve too much land has been developed or being put up for sale already. It is taking away from the environment.
271	We think it is great with beauty and recreational activities. A good place to be.
272	We could benefit by limiting single family and multi-family home development in rural areas. It's ruining the countryside and our quality of life. We came here to enjoy the tranquility of the rural country not watch it deteriorate to development.
273	I truly enjoy the beauty & rural character of Jackson County. I would hate to see it broken up into a series of fragmented "mcmansions". Now if you could do something about the ticks it would be appreciated.
274	Opportunities for tourists to see and do
275	Over control on property owner and what we can do with our property
276	Keep the rural nature of the county.
277	Jackson county is very nice the way it is. You don't need majoy develoment and all the trouble it brings. No more big box stores - do not become an "All American City". That will bring more problems. Appreciate what you have and don't try to be another Eau Claire or any mega city - you will regret it.
278	unequal taxes for example frozen ag taxes etc. vs urban home taxes. Uncrolled development along waterways, uncrolled livestock access to streams.
279	The roads and streets are lacking quality improvement. Pot holes are very poorly patched, joints are not sealed well, roads are degraded. County/state highways are rutted/grooved by heavy traffic that makes for poor/dangerous dirving conditions in all weather. Also try a higher quality longer lasting line paint and reflectors.
280	Adequate law enforcement for rural areas.
281	Rural country should exercise as little control as possible to regulate land use. People live in the country to get away from over regulatoin.
282	It's time to control the unions that run the city & county. No to automatic wage & benefit contracts, cut back on labor throughout.
283	Would like to see communication improve for first responders, fire depts. Unreliable at best when accurately relaying info to counties and other responding units. High speed wi-fi internet access for rural areas. Improvement of road conditins & better time management of county workers.

284	Some people have to have tanks pumped every 3 yrs - others don't have to. Recycling seems to have gotten poorer. Everything is thrown together yet somebody dump shingles where they shouldn't & the town gets fined \$3,000.00
285	Your finding any excuse to take more rights from landowners.
286	This survey - vague in certain areas. I finished it and couldn't decide if i truly actually answered a question.
287	Over spending in these economic times. Put a cap on political and local office people's wages. fix what's broken (roads) before entertainment places, etc. Our taxes are high enough.
288	Private land in the land use implementation allow great consideration of the land owner in preserving rights and liberties we enjoy in this country. Beware of the Big Brother Syndrome!
289	Taxes: the Technical College assessment went up over 40% in 1 year. What are these boards thinking? My overall property taxes went up 24% in 1 year - this is unsustainable. People live/own in Jackson county because taxes have been reasonable property taxes need to stay low!
290	More needs to be done to bring new industry in to provide security for those of us that want to live in this area, but are too scared for our future to stay here.
291	Too many gang issues, illegal immigrants and the drug problems associated with gang activity. Poor economy doesn't help.
292	There has been too much growth in county employees. There needs to be better accounting for its use of money spent. There needs to be a more transparent accounting available to the tax payers of the county.
293	Taxes unfair and way to high for people other than farmers.
294	What can we do to encourage young people under the age of 30 to move here and raise a family? What employment opportunities can we offer to college graduates?
295	Horse manure on highways because it's hazardous (other counties have seen fit to require catch bags. Manure is slippery). Horse drawn vehicles with extremely dim, inadequate lights. Horse shoes damage roads.
296	Not enough good jobs. Government spending at all levels, county, state & federal. High property taxes.
297	Educate (especially young people) for future of and need for doing away with land fills. Our community has two land fills. One is already polluting a residential area and over time the 2nd will fail and follow suit. To believe otherwise is incredibly naive. We are so concerned about the air we breathe and so blind to our aquifer being slowly poisoned. If you can't conceive of this, walk to the top of a large landfill and contemplate what this onstrosity is doing to our ground water. One penny's worth of methane gas extracted from landfills is not compensation for an eternity without good ground water.
298	Cutting (theft) of blue spruce decorative trees around perimeter of land - no convictions in Jackson Courts. Although we are mid-range in property value in Garden Valley township, we pay the highest property tax.
299	I believe most want to see well kept property etc. I do though have a problem with the gov't telling us what to do. I hope the gov't can have power at the local level and always help with owners rights, yet maintain in general, an attraction county for landowners, including home owners.
300	first and foremost, groundwater and environmental protection must be utilized and inforcement followed to the utmost.
301	This county needs to get more manufacturing business in to create more jobs and revenue for the area.
302	Overdevelopment in prestine areas. Clear cutting in county forests.
303	I believe too much emphasis is put on recreation in this county, state and country. We're so concerned about play we're forgetting how to provide ourselves with the basics of survival, food, clothes & shelter. We need to start manufacturing fertilizer in this state or country or we will always be at the mercy of foreign nations. But no, our shallow concerns are about things like shoeline development. Are we that over privileged that we can turn our backs on the basics of life. Also the DNR has to be dissolved. This agency has gotten too controlling and it's members too arrogant. It seems their goal is to stop progress and this has to stop. To explain it best is they don't have to have a search warrant to enter your home. Somethings wrong with that.
304	Please keep Jackson County as is.
305	Jackson County officials need to put the heat on local, state and federal officials along with the DNR to insist that everything must be changed to put the whitetail deer and fish populations back to the levels they were at some 35 years ago when I was first introduced to this area. The whitetailed deer are at record low levels, a big mistake for an area that use to claim to be the deer capital of the world and for example with the mismanagement or control of Lake Arbutus draining for long periods of time, the fish populations are depleted. For a beautiful wildlife area like Jackson County, adequate wildlife populations must be maintained to insure

	the attraction remains high for all outdoor recreational activities and the tourism income remains high for the area as well.
306	Jackson County needs to bring in wind mills and solar power. It would create jobs and clean environment for all.
307	Taxes are very high. County has potential for outdoor tourism; do be careful to preserve this appeal, hunting, etc. Do not promote ATV trails but allow use for local residents.
308	Please no more cranberry marshes - they are destroying wildlife habitat and wetlands.
309	I am only a recreational land owner and don't have enough information on most topics. But if my taxes keep skyrocketing, how will I ever be able to afford to build a home or live here.
310	The county should stay OUT of private enterprise. Let private enterprise develop.
311	Adults to be aware of needs of children to be cared for and protected but to be given opportunities to be educated well for competing in the future with other citizens and other countries along with respect for elders.
312	Alcohol and drug use of adults as well as teen . It only continues to get worse, regardless of all the programs and money spent. manure spills on roads as well as run off in the streams and lakes. Breakup of family life, non support of children. I feel we have a good school system and good teachers who care about their students.
313	Agriculture farmland needs to be preserved. Real estate developers want every acre of farmland to build a house. Housing affordable rental housing but not by the government unit, by incentives for investors that make it profitable to build.
314	Jackson County and all government agencies are trying to take away all of the home and land owners rights. We don't own anything anymore. We just pay taxes on it. It's bad when you have to get a land use permit to use your so calle down land. Government needs to back off and give ownership back to the owner.
315	I have ambivalent feeling on the county government's role in economic development. I feel it is important for somebody to promote a braod economic base in our county, with well-paying jobs and a variety of skills. I guess we've come to expect that government "creates jobs". Incentives is that the only way to do it? Young people need good jobs here in Jackson co. in order to stay here. Could the technical college play a bigger role here?
316	Be careful about implementing socialism and communism into our county as it has failed in most counties that have tried it. Try to use capitalism and democracy as the guide to regulate land, people & society.
317	Resources provided to low income to update or improve property.
318	I treasure the forests, lovely, healthy forest land in Jackson County. That and the lakes and hiking attracted us to build our vacation land.
319	I grew up in Jackson County on a farm. I thought it was a good place to grow up and that my schools were good. I hope that today's young people will feel that Jackson County is a good place to stay, with job opportunities, cultural and recreational opportunities. I hope they will feel that it is a good place to raise their children with schools providing a good education.
320	Keep Jackson County a good ol'boy county.
321	Beautiful county - protect as is.
322	The attractive aspects of living here include low popluation density and affordable living. We have beautiful parks and community facilities. Our shools are also good. We can all desire more & better of everything but the cost of expansion & improvement can easily out weigh the benefits we already enjoy, especially the benefit of affordability. Property taxes continue to escalate and drive individuals out of their homes. That must be considered whenever proposals for new, improved, regulated resources are evaluated.
323	Not to omit local government's input
324	The real estate taxing authorities improperly administering tax codes to out of state land owners. With the comment "get a lwayer" if you want.
325	Jackson Copunty is valued throughout the state. Many folks come here as a refuge from the pressures of their everyday life. Others of us have made a conscientious choice to relocate and abandon those same pressures for a more simple and rewarding life style. I applaud those in the town of Cleveland and the County for supporting all we value. In particular those land use changes that would impact a negative change. My ost pressing concern is that many of the standards set and protected under state laws, represent a lessened quality of life for those of us here in rural Jackson County. In particular, the quality o four ground water and in turn the streams fed by the springs in our town. I would hope that current water standards would be documented and protected with ordinances that would supercede state water quality levels.

326	I think Jackson Co. has a lot to offer alot of people are moving up there and building up there. I own a small place in Millston. I like it up there. I only come up a few times a year. I may fix it up a little in case I move up there. but for now, it's just a nice place to come up to and relax. I think it's a quiet town and vrey friendly.
327	I am in favor of economic development and affordable housing but it must be done in a way that does not damage the environment. The main things to be concerned with are preservation of ground water quality and of open space.
328	You ask if the low property taxes in the area make for a good quality of life. This would be true if indeed our property taxes were low. In sad contrast however, we have seen a drastic increase in our property taxes., expecially ofre the past 2 years. We have owned the property for twenty years, having bought it back when property taxes were reasonable. Now the joy of owning our property has been replaced with thoughts of selling it. The quality of life in the area could be restored to its former high standards if our county and states officials only cared about getting our taxes under some kind of realistic control.
329	Stay out of any feeral or state programs for alternate fuels and train transportataion. When the money runs out or the program ends we will be holding the bag and our taxes will have to be raised to support this mess.
330	Creation of more jobs by: giving away free land to businesses who build and hire 10 or more people in a full time position. Look to expand or add any farm related business meeting manufacturing or retail to the area. Add more energy related jobs.
331	More jobs needed, low interest loans.
332	Bringing good paying jobs into jackson County. the support for wind and solar energy.
333	Agressively seek State and Federal funds for projects and improvements. See these funds are put to the best use. Taxes are becoming intollerable for many in county.
334	Youth employment, plant garden, flowers or roadside cut, stack wood for the needy, pick apples, plum, garden vegetables for the needy. Remove dead trees down trees from roadside. Pick up garbatge off roadside. Adult employment - drivers, counselors, group leader, DL's insurance, cut wood, stack wood for outdoor campfire for camp grounds,. for youth employment. Look for grants, grant writers, overseer. Tear down old barns build, build furniture for outdoors.
335	Correect FEMA's mistakes.
336	We moved here 10 years ago from an area with severe "urban sprawl" and basiclly unlimited development of subdivisions and strip malls by developers who only care about profit. I would like to see an overall development plan for Jackson County where "green spaces" are preserved, while also promoting economic development for residents without excessive burden/loss of freedom of residential landowners. Appropriate industries must be encouraged to maintain economic viability of this county without ruining the natural/rural feel of the county.
337	Property values went down but my taxes didn't go down. Why is that? Why are taxes so expensive compared to other parts of the country.
338	I really feel that Jackson county has not taken care of it's roads, therefore, today all roads need help. One must maintain t okeep things in good working order. Our roads have not been maintained. Our road has only been surfaced one time in 50 years and just patched the rest of the time. How sad.
339	Development of schools to reduce class size. Public transit, Krohn Clinic should be open on weekends, ice rink should be owned and supervised by Jackson County and regular open skating during winter season for all the county every weekend. Develope arts and crafts area for all to use. Dental clinics should be open on Saturday.
340	Promote business opportunities, keep the children here, and promote tourist trade.
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342	Not enough job opportunities. Over taxed by school system. Admistrators way overpaid.
343	BRF needs to make our cidy a place where new business, industry and familes want to move to. We have done a fantastic job maintaining city parks, the golf course, the hospital/clinic and state and county forest land and recreation. We need to work on supporting the school system, the downtown area and the lack of quality job opportunities in our area. No more empty buildings and no more disaster areas like the Pines.

344	More ATv and other recreational facilities will help keep the environment safe and clean by keeping people to one area rather than all over. However, necessities need to be addressed first such as roads, waste management and schools. Agricultural land should be preserved but it does no good to save land for ag us if there are no people who want to farm anymore due to high costs of farming as well as too much competition from "factory" farming and large farming corporations. i believe "factory" farming hurts local economy, local farmers and potentially the environment.
345	More of our younger generation should be working and paying their own way instead of looking to social srevice to keep them and their offspring. Teach them to pay cash and hold their debt down and to work! - a tired OLD taxpayer.
346	I live in the mountain West, the fastest growing counties in the nation. As hard as it is, there is a fine balancing act between regulating land use and controlling growth. People in Jackson County don't realize how fast growth can happen. The peopling building second homes or retirement homes have very different interests and priorities from those of the local culture. Same goes for new bull-time residents who are cyber commuters. These folks bring new money and new ideas. When they outnumber the local folks, the community becomes a different place. You have to think about that.
347	Property taxes on recreational land are very high. They have almost doubled in 3 years. Property taxes may tax people out of the county.
348	You should not have to get a building permit if you are only updating a pre-existing building. You should if you are building a new one or adding on.
349	We were attracted to and purchased property in Jackson County because we love the friendly small town feel of BRF. Too much industry and commercialization would change that. Much has changed already with Wal-mart putting so many small merchants out of business. However, Walmart is convenient and has 24 hour access to travelers, etc. We are snow mobilers and feel BRF shubs our business by providing no access to our favorite restaurants lie Repets and the truck stop. We also miss the movie theater and are surprised that it closed. We think it was a great idea and hope someone will reopen it in the future.
350	Over expansion of cranberry farms and beds, the county's forestry practices, the declining deer herd, skyrocketing real estate taxes and ATV abuses.
351	Over expansion of cranberry farms and beds, the county's forestry practices (cut, cut, cut), the declining deer herd, skyrocketing real estate taxes, ATV abuses.
352	Too many/much in way of junk allowed in yards. A buffer should be left on roadside when clear cutting. Use inmates to pick up trach. Hire kids to pick up trash.
353	When we first moved here, within a coupld of months we received a fine for \$350.00. your explanation was that where our new home was had been agriculture. i really wonder what you want, cows or people. Please address this question. You sure don't make out of state people seem welcome. We heard Ron Kind is responsible for the law involved.
354	it seems the county is really doing it's job. I just don't like all of the rural regulations.
355	I find it most important that Jackson County does not further restrict the development of farms or wetlands. The state and federal laws are already excessively prohibitive on local land owners. We do not need the county further restricting these activities and economic growth.
356	Keep property taxes low. Maintain reasonable but not overbearing building and land use codes. Preserve nature and open space.
357	Lots of people are out of work right now. Jackson County keeps finding ways to spend money (new school, new electric compnay, etc.) Some things need to be put on hold. We need to put a cap on taxes.
358	I would like planning/land use to consider impacts of likely future trends: expensive fossil fuels & concern about CO2 emissions; increasingly warmer trmpartures & more intense rains; new technologies such as bio-fuels, wind/solar energy, genetics, telecommuting, wireless internet.
359	There should be a law if you tear a building down, you should have a certain amount of time to clean it up (not months or years). Pines has turned into our new city dump. It is an awful filthy sight. I can't believe our City Fathers let this go on for as long as it has.
360	We need a comprehensive plan for Jackson County and equally important we must implement it through county wide zoning.
361	Mobile homes & junk in areas where can be seen from road ways.
362	Over development, high density development in rural environment.
363	Get rid of building permits and inspections. they do nothing other than keep this department employed and defer additional building as it adds to the cost and inconvenience of building. If a person wants to build on

	the property they own it should be their right to build as they suit if the neighbors don't like it maybe they should move or shut up.
364	Good schools, buildings & education. Preserve good medical care - hospital, clinics, dental, eye & nursing homes.
365	We do not need the city utilities building to build outside of the city. Use the buildings that are empty. The city utility management needs help. need more qualified management.
366	Increased government costs.
367	I beleive it is extremely important for the community to become self supporting. I beleive that our areas should look to self insurance, implement and build to employ our own citizens tin areas of new energy, clean energy. Air purification and water purification. I also think in order to move forward, we need to revisit our ancestors and learn. wind mills have been around a very long time - maybe we should check that out.
368	Discruction of forests too many trees have been cut and not been replaced by new trees. Planting new forests is very important not only for the air but also for the climate.
369	I like Jackson Co. the way it is. Can we sustain what we have. Development brings a change in life higher taxes often crime & over crowding.
370	Don't go the way of Trepmp. Co. and ban wind generation. Allow locally owned wind development. Tax structure for recreational lands will force landowners to clear cut or develop.
371	Would like to see land stay land as much as possible. Let landowners have a right to do what they want to with the land with verbal communications with neighbors, with hopes to enhance the value not destroy it.
372	Take a drive around the county and enforce the laws you have in power now.
373	Unoccupied/abandoned houses and outbuildings in disrepair ought to be demolished as they greatly lower the value of adjacent properties. Hunting and fishing rights retained by the county on behalf of all citizenso n certain now privately owned properties must not be relinquished. Especially scenic waterways, Halls Creek, Robinson's Creek and the Black River are threatened with development/parcelling which will deter local and outside use and enjoyment.
374	Residential areas should provide sidewalks for families to ride bike & walk safely without worrying about traffic. Not only will this help build neighborhoods but this would be one intervention that may help decrease our high obesity rates.
375	More use of water and wind power
376	Dilagence in repairing roads and removing snow. Encourage businesses in small communities (Hixton, Alma Center, etc.) expecially grocery stores. Fitness centers in communities outside of BRF. Support programs to aid underpriveledged (poor, disabled, etc.)
377	We need to create more jobs with better pay for our community.
378	I think ordinances and local planning should be left up to the local government and voters of the individual county and not mandated by state and federal government, as most of the time they don't do a good job.
379	Maintain high quality health facilities, excellent fire protection and EMT's. Keep property tax down. Attract business and industrial opportunities. Continue land use permits and comprehensive planning throughout the county.
380	Home offices are good. Junk yards have to go.
381	need gravel roads black topped so townships don't have to drive a mail tawer and haul more gravel to maintain roads. Seems like a waste of tax money in the long run.
382	We need more stores in BRF not taverns.
383	My main concern for this county and state is the logging industry. They seem to have little or no concern of the devistation they cause when the log areas and leave nothing but bits and pieces of forest behind. Look at Washington State, it is truely disgusting what they do.
384	I am concerned about environmental issues especially good water. i am concerned about a bad forest fire.
385	I am concerned with constantly rising property taxes. In the last 12 years the taxes on my land have increased by over 400% without any improvements on my part.
386	Garden Valley needs zoning on junk cars and trucks.
	To whom it may concern: 51 yrs ago my grandfather & uncle purchased land from Stazeks. 51 yrs later, I'm now the owner after my father passed on, not trying to give history but development of areas that I used to fish and hike at which in public papers were suppose to be protected by DNR now are gone along rivers and

387	lakes to nonresidents, taxes are on incline due to this which now makes old residents loose. Now someday my sons which are concerned with privacy and development will like other, someday decide to give up. Thank you.
388	ATV use becoming concern on town roads and impacts on public lands. County and local municipalities need to continue to plan. Lack of public knowledge and misinformation on planning and its relationship to regulations.
389	Jackson County is on of the few without a county-wide economic development organization. I have included my resume and an invitation to discuss the formation of such a group in Jackson Co.
390	I am concerned that the existing ordinances infringe upon the personal freedom of peace loving country dwellers. Especially the ordinances requiring permits.
391	My concern is to keep the township and Jackson County as rural as possible. Big city life has nothing to offer as we haev. So many want to come and build that is proof of the desier for the "rural life". Our way of life has served the residents of the past and would do the same in the future if given the chance.
392	Our roads are terrible. Metal rims cut the black top, are they billed for this in anyway?
393	Law enforcement needs more patrols in outer areas of the county. Rural bus service needed, not on a daily basis, but some service.
394	Enough laws and taxes. You will drive people out!
395	Jackson County needs to promote new industries. If this would be implemented through benefits (ie. no proptery taxes for x number of years, so be it). Maybe this is already done.
396	Either give the hunting and fishing rights back to the land owners or have the townships sbstantially reduce the property taxes on their parcels.
397	Garden Valley needs zoning on junk cars and trucks.
398	Stop regulating people's land please! It would help reduce taxes.
399	The Town of Curran has no zoning. Cetrain sections of jackson County are looking 3rd world. Take a drive down Davis Rd. Junk, junk and more junk. There are some Amish homes that are just shacks. State welfare is spreading and crime is rising. Some good points - tourism, rivers, lakes and state forest.
400	Stop trying to govern all facets of our lives in jackson County. it is obvious you want to control all growth and development. We are not that densly populated that all this proposed zoning is required.
401	Real Estate Taxes. Homowners need to rid their property of junk vehicles.
402	Need more road repair. Too many holes in pavement. Need police/sheriff to monitor speed on E from cemetery to tracks and tracks on E out to BRF. All go 55 mph plus in a 35 mile zone eastbound.
403	It saddens me that every 9 out of 10 properties are trash holes. I have never lived in such a disgusting county before. Everytime travel through I see garbage EVERYWHERE! What example are we giving our children? That they can ruin their property when they get older? Something NEEDS to be done NOW. I called the DNR about our neighbors and they didn't blink an eye. This is not the norm and we need to start cleaning this county up.
404	I'm sure the main concern for Jackson County is the rate taxes go up every year. In 11 yrs. my taxes have gone up from \$700 per year to \$2200.00 per year. Retires can not afford such increases.
405	Taking an interest in more natural resources would be nice. Like wind mills and things like that. Creating and maintaining employment opportunities is probably a big concern with many families also. It's a hard time right now for everyone.
406	We need more funding for our roads and better use of the funds.
407	More regulation of recreational development subdivisions with covenants. When the lots are sold the seller is gone and so are the covenants.
408	Control animals in BRF, domestic and wild.
409	Stop the increase in land owner taxes. We are taxed too high for recreational land use.
410	Is Jackson County going to remain one of the poorest counties in Wisconsin? Are you ever going to clean up the Pines Dump? What an eye sore. We will never attract anyone with money when they see that mess.
411	The Black River school district is considered one of the worst in the region. That is by complete strangers I have met from different areas. Westby, West Salem, Onalaska, etc.
	Farms going away. county hwy B torn up and left in an abominable condition for almost 2 yrs. Unpatrolled

412	county roads despite wreckless driving being the norm. School taxes and therefore property taxes out of control. Residential junkyards. concern for too much government in areas of land use etc. Have yet to see new building regulations that didn't spawn power freaks. As with the rest of the country, an effort to regulate every breath or move people make and regulations supplanting common sense.
413	No pig farms!
414	Losing the beauty due to construction.
415	I am strongly against the establishment of any more "factory" farms and strongly question the reasoning that allowed operations like Heller's and Sedelbauer's huge dairy herds to be permitted. Both the environmental and the social costs of these large operations are a problem to us all and should have never been allowed in the first place.
416	We need to get new schools. Also more industry in the area and create more jobs. Lower house taxes. Every year it goes up. Need to cut spending more and cut back.
417	We plan on retiring in Jackson County because of it's beauty and nature. We hope that officials keep the environment clean and beautiful for everyone to enjoy. ATV's are becoming a big problem. If they abide by the laws, I feel they have a right to do it, but when they ride on our property and surrounding streets, it is not good. We came here to have peace and quiet. We don't appreciate the loud engines and the damage they do to the land.
418	I have a concern about the Amish. I love the Amish culture and get along with them just fine, but, they seem to get away with alot of things we don't. Like outdoor plumbing for one. I was told I could not have an outhouse if I preferred that option. I know that sounds rather silly, but I am a very "back to basic" gal and would prefer that. Why can they and I can't? Please don't say it is a religous belief because I have religious beliefs too!
419	You have a difficult job and are very good at. Keep up the good work.
420	Why can't county hwy FF and E to Hatfield be redone? the fuel tax should pay for this.
421	I think the city & county law enforcement should merge. I would like to see something o into the former Wal-mart building. Suggestions - small mall, indoor recreation center, dance club. The Pines mess needs cleaned up!
422	We need to set goals related to small industry and manufacturing.
423	Property taxes way too high. One of the highest taxed counties in the state for being one of the lowest income counties in the state.
424	Getting to be too many laws about what a person can and can't do on their private land.
425	My immediate concern is the economic status of many residents. Lay-offs are abundant and there are few opportunities for those to acquire another source of income. I wish there was a program in effect that would allow a person who is laid off to work for the city, county, etc. in a temporary position.
426	All townships should have zoning & if not, county should develop regulations that apply to them. Items to include: junk vehicels, farm machinery, mobile homes, trash & garbage. Building setback from property lines and roads, ATV and snowmobile regulations. County should require all townships to have adequate garbage service, too much garbage being dumped in county and state forest or along roadways.
427	Too many ATV's, too much noise, speed limits not enforced, ATV's should not be allowed on any roads or streets or allowed to operate after dark. License to operate ATV's should include "sanity test".
428	Litter along roadways. Unregulated events at bars, should require permits.
429	Jobs and education/training opportunities. I would like to see the WTC campus expanded. Presently we lose too many people which leave the area to receive education.
430	Major concern is that people's right to make decisions for their property. Individual freedom to build type of home or for example, certain areas restrict color to pain home or hav a clothesline.
431	I believe with a good economic internal structure, solid transport, clean natural and agricultural resources, things like housing, schools and other utilities provide and maintain themselves.
432	Enforce the spped limit on E and other roads
433	Business development
434	Lower our school taxes and cut out the wastefull spending. Teachers, soccer, tennis, golf and a lot more.
435	I don't want to see us look like Holmen, Sparta or Onalaska where there are 3 acre houses scattered just outside of town. It interrupts hunting and makes the town look ugly.

436	The biggest concern is taxes. I got let go from my job. Walmart doesn't want full time help any more. I don't know how anyone can keep up with the high taxes. Most of the older people in BRF are going to have to sell their homes. Because they won't be able to pay the taxes. Our value was raised over \$34,000 for improvements. We haven't done any improvements for years. They just wanted to get our value over a \$100,000 so our taxes will go up. We need to quit spending. We need the new dam. We don't need new schools, a new fairground and a new electric office. If the school has \$250,000 to pledge to the fair grounds, they sure have enough money to fix up the schools, unless the school board is giving the money out of their own pockets. This town used to be a great place to live, but that sure has changed. I hope someone will come to their senses and tell the people to say no more taxes. There are so many people in BRF that have lost their jobs and living day to day. You had better watch out. You may be next.
437	Clean up residences that look like junkyards.
438	Though not the worst county I've lived in, but I am concerned about future regulations and taxes. Remember we (citizens) are just trying to survive this & our future economic woes. More regulations and taxes just hampers our ability to live period. Serious? Yes.
439	On County Rd A leaving BRF headed toward Hixton on the left side after you pass Cty F there are some small homes that there is one in particular that has what appear to be tents or shacks set-up all over and they are a terrible eye sore. I would think there should be a way to clean that area up and possibly issue orders for the owners to keep it free of such debris and clutter. I sure hope the City of BRF soon gets the mess where the Pines used to be cleaned up soon. Who knows how many health hazards are contained there!
440	Wisconsin taxes are way too high.
441	I think property tax is a little unfair. I pay more now than I did in Dane County for the same value. I think it should be based on income and give us low income business's a break until we get our businesses going strong.
442	Maintenance of town roads in northern Jackson Co. is poor.
443	My opinion, I strongly support the encouragement of agriculture, even more so on a single home basis. The tight restriction of forest and stream access by ATV's and snowmobiles. the encouragement of land use by farming versus import of farms from out of state, trucking and overly large commercial stores. How about "victory gardening" we would all be victors, people and earth. We need prairie and flowering we need bees, not ATV's. We need to feel connected to the earth via hands and feet not gas pedals. Help the elderly where possible without them, we would not be here.
444	The future for Jackson County is good but we must start taking care of what we have and keep it in good repair or we'll ruin any future opportunities we have to expand and grow.
445	We like it here.
446	Economic growth in the county should be the #1 priority. the infrastructure of the county needs to be addressed also. government regulations may need to be relaxed for growth in the future.
447	Fairgrounds - waste of money for 4-5 days a year in which it will be designated for. The city streets need major overhaul instead of investing so much time and money in the downtown lights, trees and sidewalks, the rest of the city suffers. The school situation really needs to be sorted out.
448	Need to encourage business development and minimize prime ag land to houses.
449	no jobs need more than Wal-Mart
450	Jackson Electric could lower their rates.
451	Taxes and budget. Urban sprawl. Spend only on the amount taken in. Balanced budget.
452	I strongly oppose the degradation of the county forests. The forests of our county are very unique compared to other counties in Wisconsin. The county should look at other sources of revenue besides cutting down our forests. It's so very sad to see new areas devoid of any landscape knowing it took hundreds of years for that forest to become what it was. The reforestation programs are a weak excuse for the destruction of the forests as it will take many generations to see the forests as they once were. and by that time the percentage of forest lands will be alarmingly low.
453	Spend money on our schools not big buildings for city offices.
454	Not enough opportunities for young people.
455	It seems we are getting overregulated. The Amish are making fools of all of you. Have Ron Brown contact them and get the rules enforced we have in effect now.
456	Jobs. Must promote good jobs to the area. Transportation is the key.
	Don't waste all the good farm land on houses. Put them closer together so we can get the most from our

457	land.
458	Roads need the most attention. County and townships. Spending on fairgrounds should be put to better use as fairs are disappearing. Taxes are way too high and yet they want to build new schools. Need better management at county board level. cut county expenses.
459	Tried to receive a grant to upgrade an old home we just bought last year and was told we make too much money. It would be nice to have a grant available to city residences to preserve existing older homes and you shouldn't have to be "dirt poor" to receive help. People that are in the poverty levels couldn't even afford to buy the home in the first place so it is a double standard.
460	My wife and I travel over 60,000 miles a year for work. The roads in Jackson County are the worst ones we drive on, especially in the winter.
461	Too many houses.
462	Placing too much emphasis on economic planning and too little on protecting the environment.
463	As the leader of our group, I tried to get our group to work with the county regulations, but as more rights are taken away, and we as a humble people, living as our forefathers did , with a low income and not taking government aid, have a very hard time to make ends meet. Our government tries to force it's people to live in a bracket, we and our country can't afford.
464	I think we are doing a great job.
465	Minimum lot sizes for residential use should be 10-29 acres. It is very important to protect all of our natural resources, lakes, ponds, wetlands, forests and groundwater. In doing this, it will continue to bring revenue into the area by the people who use and enjoy our recreational resources. A residential minimum lot size of 10-20 acres would ensure that the county will not over populate and maintain it's rural settings.
466	The pile of junk on hwy 12/27, just north of the interstate is an embarassment to the entire county. Why is nothing being done ab out this? I bring folks up to "pristine" Jackson County, with our beautiful rivers, lakes and wildlife and that pile of crap is the first thing they see. This cleanup should be agenda item one. It's truly shamful. Jackson County can DO and should expect better.
467	Jackson Co. needs to remember that the enrite county is full of taxpayers. Roads need work in other areas of the county besides just BRF. Co P coming into Taylor is in desperate need of repair. the only major work I have seen done is just outside BRF. Jackson Co. needs to maintain and improve what we do have instead of spending a lot of money on meetings making controlling laws. Common sense goes a long way. Use it.