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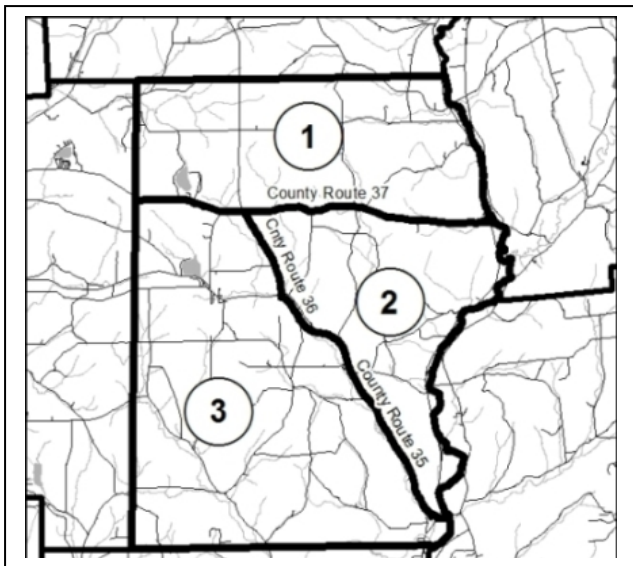
ABOUT YOU

1) Are you a year-round, part-time resident, or non-resident landowner in the Town of Guilford?

80% Year-round. I have lived full- time in the Town for **AVG 29** years.

7.6% Part-Time. I live in the Town of Guilford **5.8** months per year or **18.5** weekends per year.

8.6% Non-resident landowner



2) Where in Guilford do you live or own property? (See Map) **25%** Area 1 **29.7%** Area 2 **45.3%** Area 3

Area 1 includes the hamlets of Mt. Upton, Rockwells Mills and Lathams Corners and the area north of County Rte. 37 and North Pond Rd.

Area 2 includes the hamlets of Rockdale and East Guilford and the area south of County Rt. 37 and east of County Rtes 35 and 36.

Area 3 includes the hamlets of Guilford, Guilford Center, and the area south of North Pond Rd. and west of County Rtes.35 and 36.

3) Do you have school-aged children living at home in the Town? **11.8%** Yes **88.2%** No

4) How old are you? (Check one)

.6% 18-24 **14.5%** 25-44 **18.2%** 45-54

30.5% 55-64 **24.2%** 65-74 **11.9%** 75+ yrs

5) In what area do you work or are you retired? (Check one)

7.5% Town of Guilford (on a Farm or Home-Based Business)

2.2% Town of Guilford (Work in Town Away From Home)

6.9%Norwich **12.3%** Sidney **3.8%** Oneonta **1.6%** Binghamton **.3%**Greene **42.1%**Retired

Other _____ (please specify)

COMMUNITY CHARACTER

Community character includes many things in both the built and natural environment such as the visual character of our community and the landscape, but also cultural activities, town services, the make-up of our population and even local regulations. You may like, dislike or feel neutral about them.

6) Write three words or phrases that describe the current community character in the Town of Guilford.

Beautiful, country setting, rural, friendly, clean air and water, good location, small town, quiet, peaceful, safe, scenic, depressed economy, poor property maintenance in some locations

7) What three words or phrases describe why you like living in the Town of Guilford?

Same as in #6, but with close to friends and family and easy access to highway, low number of people added in.

8) Did you move to the Town of Guilford from somewhere else? Yes 74.2% No 25.8%

If yes, what convinced you to move to the Town of Guilford? (Check all that apply)

66.7% Attractive rural setting **8.4%** Opportunity for employment

30.7% Safer environment **37.8%** Price of land

39.6% Clean air/water **21.8%** Resettle closer to family/friends

49.3% Affordable property/housing **20.8%** Good schools

Other: **Family, closer to job, good farming, schools, married someone from here**

9) Do you plan on living in the Town of Guilford five years from now? 64.3% Yes 9.7% No 26.0%Unsure

Why? **Own home, close to work, love it here, invested here are top reasons for staying.**

Gas drilling, retiring, high taxes are top reasons for leaving.

10) What are three words or phrases that describe the biggest weaknesses you see in the Town of Guilford?

Run down and abandoned properties, taxes high, lack of jobs, depressed economy, lack of retail and services, lack of activities especially for youth are top answers.

11) What do you think pose the biggest threats to the Town of Guilford's future? (Check all that apply)

67% High property taxes **40.8%** Gas drilling

75.8% Lack of jobs in the region **33%** Too few cultural attractions

46.1% Too few young people choosing to live here to make people want to live here

28.1% Cost of traveling to work/shopping, etc **18%** Workforce lacks necessary

10.1% Lack of affordable housing

skills/education

22.5% Flooding

Other doing gas drilling, not doing gas drilling, lack of businesses and jobs

COMMUNITY SERVICE

12) The following services are provided or supported by the Town of Guilford. How are we doing? (Circle one per line) TOP ANSWERS IN EACH CATEGORY GIVEN

Service Town Provides	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement	No Opinion
Highway Maintenance	63.1%		
Town Court			50.74%
Town Board		35.4%	
Planning Board			40.6%
Town Clerk	76.7%		
Code Enforcement Officer			50%
Animal Control Officer			46%
Tax Assessor	38.8%		
Lighting (Mt. Upton)			59.7%
Lighting (Guilford)			49.8%
Water (Mt. Upton)			67.3%
Water (Guilford)			59.6%
Service Town Supports			
Volunteer Ambulance and Fire Services	68.2%		
Historical Museum (Mt. Upton)			60.9%
Summer Youth Program			53.4%
Parks (Mt.Upton and Guilford)	48.4%		

13) If you indicated that any services “Need Improvement” in the list above from Question 12, what suggestions do you have for improving those services?

See attached list

14) How do you get information about Guilford’s town government? (Circle all that apply.)

- a) Norwich Evening Sun
- b) Tri Town News
- c) Town hall bulletin boards
- d) Oneonta Daily Star
- e) Directly from Town elected or appointed officials
- f) Town Internet site
- g) “Word of mouth” from friends and neighbors
- h) By e-mail
- i) Other _____ (Please specify)

Word of mouth was top answer, followed by Norwich Evening Sun, Tri Town News, and then Oneonta Daily Star

AGRICULTURE

15) Do you currently buy any agricultural products directly from farmers in the Town of Guilford?

51.96% Yes 41.8% No 6.4% Don’t Know

16) Would you be interested in buying more locally grown agricultural products?

74.4% Yes 3.0% No 16.5% It Depends 6.1% No Opinion

If yes, what kinds (please list here)

All products listed – vegetables, fruit, beef, poultry, eggs, milk

If it depends, please describe what it depends on?

Availability, cost and accessibility (location)

17) Do you feel Guilford’s farms and agricultural resources are adequately protected from other forms of development?

27.8% Yes 37.8% No 34.4% No Opinion

18) Should the Town encourage development in a way that preserves the use of land for farming?

78.9% Yes 9.5% No 11.6% No Opinion

19) How important is agriculture and agricultural land in Guilford to you? (check one)

56.2% Very Important 32.8% Important 3.7% Not Important 7.4% No Opinion

20) Why or why not (from Question #19)? Food, open space, adds to rural character, need to preserve the farm way of life, healthy way of life, farming is a good profession that should be supported, local food, hunting, farmers should be able to do what they want with their land

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

21) Which of the following economic development activities do you desire in Guilford? (Check all that you wish)

- 50.2% Small-scale manufacturing 31.2% Natural gas drilling
- 25.2% Logging and gravel mining 59.1% Home-based businesses
- 70.4% Development of agriculture 40.2% Tourism
- 72.8% Reuse and convert underused buildings
- 49.5% Retail businesses
- 4% None, I do not desire any further economic activity
- _____ Other (please specify) _____

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND RESOURCES

22) How do you feel about the following recreational opportunities in the Town of Guilford?

(Circle one number per line) TOP ANSWERS IN EACH CATEGORY GIVEN

Recreational Opportunities	More Needed in Town	OK As Is	No Need to Have in Town	No Opinion
Activities for teens	47.3%			
Athletic fields (baseball, softball soccer, tennis, playgrounds)		43.9%		
ATV and off-road vehicles, snowmobiles		44.2%		
Cross country skiing		35.3%		
Fishing and lake access		60.2%		
Hiking, biking, walking, running path	47.2%			
Horse trails				35.3%

Hunting		62.2%		
Public picnic areas		38.6%		
Senior citizen activities	45.9%			
Swimming		60.1%		
Other (please list)				

23) How important are the following types of open space or natural environmental resources to you?

(Circle one per line) TOP ANSWERS IN EACH CATEGORY GIVEN

Types of Open Space or Environmental Resources	Important	Not Important	No Opinion
Agricultural lands	93.5%		
Air Quality	46.9%		
Forested lands	88.1%		
Lakes, waterways and wetlands	95.5%		
Outdoor recreation	85.8%		
Scenic vistas	84.5%		
Water quality (Drinking water from groundwater or surface water sources)	97.6%		
Watersheds	87.6%		
Wildlife habitats	91.7%		
Other (please list)			

24) What do you think would be the best use for the former high school building in the hamlet of Mount Upton?

Top answers were for housing: affordable housing, apartments, senior housing, and assisted living. A few people felt it was good for small business incubator/office space. A few said it is too far gone and it should be torn down.

**25) How do you feel about the following potential actions intended to improve life in the Town of Guilford?
(Circle one per line) TOP ANSWERS IN EACH CATEGORY GIVEN**

Potential Actions	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Favor	Strongly Favor	No Opinion
Include site planning in local land use laws			37.7%		
Designate specific areas with development standards for residential, agricultural, industrial and commercial development by local law			37.4%		
Mandate clean-up of run-down or abandoned properties				55.3%	
Promote more varied forms of agriculture			47.9%		
Promote the Town as a retirement location			40.7%		
Encourage more small business start-ups			41.6%	43.8%	
Promote tourism			39.6%		
Construct a walking trail on Town-owned property on Furnace Hill near Guilford Lake			29.9%	29.9%	
Construct a new fire station in the hamlet of Guilford					30.1%
Adopt a local zoning law			22.5%		
Other (Please list)					

HOUSING

26) What types of housing would you like to see in Guilford in the future? (Circle one per line)

TOP ANSWERS IN EACH CATEGORY GIVEN

Types of Residential Development	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Favor	Strongly Favor	No Opinion
Single Family Housing			62.3%		
Single mobile homes on individual lots			35.4%		
Large residential subdivisions		36.5%			

Subdivision development designed include protected open spaces (called clustered or conservation subdivisions)			32.0%		
Mobile home parks	37.6%				
Additional dwelling units in existing buildings (in-law apartments)			53.2%		
Small (3-6 unit) apartment buildings			45.5%		
Senior citizen housing			49.1%		
Assisted living and continuous care facilities			47.3%		
Other (Please list)					

ENERGY USE AND DEVELOPMENT

Towns across upstate New York are considering what actions (if any) they should take to address natural gas drilling using horizontal hydraulic fracturing methods. The powers that towns possess to regulate these methods are being debated and may be decided in the courts. The following questions are intended to measure the Town’s residents’ opinions on the subject.

27) Do you believe that natural gas drilling would help or hurt the Town of Guilford?

37.8% Help **40.9%** Hurt **18.2%** Unsure **3.1%** No Opinion

28) In what ways do you think natural gas drilling would help or hurt the town? (Please specify)

Benefit Town: income, jobs, enhance housing, revenue to Town, another fuel source, help farmers, bring new people to Town, if done correctly was also a qualifier for many responses related to benefits.

Negatives: noise, truck traffic, road impacts, burden on local services, water pollution, air pollution, soil pollution, devaluation of property, difficulty getting mortgages, dangerous, industrializing landscape, loss of farms, health issues, destroy rural and quiet way of life, destroy rural character, hurt Guilford Lake, uses drinkable water, impacts scenic beauty

29) Do you favor: (Check the choice you most strongly prefer)

32.3% Town Board banning natural gas drilling that uses horizontal hydraulic fracturing.

21.6% Town Board passing a moratorium on drilling of this type until safety concerns are resolved.

22.0% Have no Town ban, moratorium, or regulations and allow drilling to be reviewed and permitted by NYS DEC.

24.1% Have local, town-level regulations along with the NYS DEC review and permitting.

30) If you favor town-level regulations of gas drilling, which of the following activities do you feel are appropriate? (Check all that you feel are appropriate)

82.8% Road usage and maintenance

66.3% Noise levels

73.6% Water runoff

52.8% Seismic testing

58.3% Siting and laying of natural gas “gathering lines”

80.4% Restricting drilling in “environmentally sensitive areas such as watersheds

31) How would you feel about the following renewable energy sources if they were proposed in the Town of Guilford? (Circle one number per line) TOP ANSWERS IN EACH CATEGORY GIVEN

Renewable Energy Sources	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Favor	Strongly Favor	No Opinion
Biomass energy (wood or other vegetation burned to create electricity or heat)			52.0%		
Hydro-electric (water flow converted to electricity)			54.6%		
Large wind facility (Commercial-scale generation by corporations for the electric grid)			36.3%		
Small, personal-use wind turbines			52.7%		
Solar (photovoltaic)			51.1%		
Geothermal (energy from heat underground)			43.7%		
Other (please specify)					

OTHER COMMENTS

Please add any other comments you would like to make about the current conditions in the Town of Guilford or about the development of the Town in the future? See file of comments at Town Hall.

Workshop Results

Town of Guilford Planning Workshop Results from October 26, 2013

A. Negative features identified: These are features about the community that participants felt were negative, issues, and items that should be addressed and improved upon.

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
Derelict properties and the tax base suffers; Abandoned homes – squalor; Derelict properties need repair/restoration. Not sufficient outreach for funding. Taxes county/town are unfair; Abandoned and burned out buildings; derelict buildings; too many abandoned properties	15	7
High taxes	12	5
Need to encourage more activities to bring in fire/ems volunteers; Fire emergency departments need to increase membership and continuation of services; Lack of volunteerism in volunteer fire and ambulance; Emergency services need volunteers	9	4
Need to improve aesthetics of community landscape. Need to motivate property owners to take pride in maintaining their properties. How to not penalize properties in increased taxes due to improvements; visual appearance	7	2
Too much government control of real estate	5	
Lack of ability to retain younger folks. Due to lack of jobs, trades, housing; No economic growth; Economic decline – lack of funding for community based projects; Not enough economic opportunities; No economic advantage through small businesses; lack of long term economic planning and economic development	4	6
Lack of community involvement. Lack of communication between Mt. Upton and Guilford and East Guilford; problems between Guilford and Mt.	4	3

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
Upton		
Lack of services - Loss of school system, loss of infrastructure (no building), churches, no girl scout organization; No community oriented center – Klee House	4	2
Unfair assessment practices and control – one vs two assessors; re-val	4	2
Ability for farmers and landowners to develop their natural resources	3	
Concern of water issues and water quality of lake	3	
Declining ag base	3	
Fracking – no protections in place by town board. Road use law, noise, water/aquifer protection)	3	
Lack of small business cooperation and lack of outreach to encourage businesses	3	
Right to farm act – farmer can use his property as he/she wants	3	
Infrastructure road conditions, natural resources, maintenance of creeks; Infrastructure to accommodate truck traffic; Declining road conditions, need better shoulders	2	3
Lack of recreational draw to town such as hiking trails, snowmobiling; lack of advertising state forest recreational resources	2	2
Additional sources of revenue needed that reduce land tax burden	2	
Appropriate land use as not to infringe on residential areas	2	
Lack of state enforcement of environmental concerns (DEC and Forest Rangers)	2	

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
Lack of way to promote large business so need to promote small business	2	
No land use laws to protect natural resources, watersheds for public drinking supply and private residential homes from high volume water takings	2	
Threat to rural homeowners in Guilford Hamlet from industrial undertakings which compromise mortgage financing and homeowner's insurance coverage	2	
Junk cars and junk in front yards, junk over the bank; junk vehicles	1	3
Concerns for safety of neighborhoods	1	
Lack of communication	1	
Lack of encouragement to entice new business	1	
Lack of funding support to maintain ag business	1	
Long term for road maintenance	1	
Mt. Upton town roads elevation causing stormwater drainage problems on houses	1	
People drive too fast through Guilford	1	
Town of Guilford is not managed collectively by the community	1	
Vandalism in the area	1	
Lack of community events; Lack of recreational facilities, adult center, parks		2
Agricultural control		
Lack of dog protection laws for runners		
Lack of housing for seniors		
Lack of internet service		

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
Lack of services (emergency)		
Need intermunicipal shared services sharing resources and consolidation of services		
Need to restore community watch		
Need to restore historical landmarks and need repair of old school building in Mount Upton		
Need to restore/fix Lady Upton memorial in Mount Upton		
Unfunded mandates		
Unmetered water		
Weakness of agriculture		

B. Positive Features Identified: These are features that participants identified as positive and ones that they highly valued and wish to maintain, promote or protect long term.

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
Large agricultural opportunities; good agricultural base; ag community	16	5
Small, rural community; the farming community/rural with right to farm; natural water, environment, healthy rural lifestyle; rural tranquility; small town	16	5
Guilford Lake, open lands	10	5
Quiet, peaceful, natural beauty of the area, beautiful lay of the land; like my street because it is quiet and pleasant	5	5
Self-sufficient heritage, can feed yourself (clean water, free range, organic crops	5	

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
Volunteer organizations	5	
Good atmosphere for raising a family	4	2
Presently able to use your property as you wish	4	
Availability for natural gas/job opportunities as a result	3	
Environment healthy/good indicator species	3	
Volunteer EMS/Fire services	3	
We enjoy freedom from infringing town zoning	3	
Community participation is a positive	2	2
Breeds creativity	2	
Centrally located to more urban opportunities for shopping, restaurants, etc.	2	
Diversification of world view	2	
Involved, loyal people, Klee House, Historic Society	2	
Rod and gun club and local yoga classes	2	
Town complex is a plus, gets a lot of use, have space for groups to use	2	
We come together to help others	2	
Sense of community – know to ask questions, know your neighbor; good neighbors	1	2
Availability of local farm produce	1	
Chenango county bus services comes through Guilford and Mt. Upton	1	
Golf course	1	
High rate of rural homeownership in which community is heavily invested and funds large	1	

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
portions of towns expenditures		
Historical magnificence of learning potential	1	
Low housing costs	1	
Mt. Upton park for community to use	1	
Produce stands	1	
Public use lake	1	
Sacred ground	1	
Small towns responsiveness in chain of command	1	
Snowmobile trails, ice fishing, good hunting		2
Attractive and abundant state lands		
Churches used for community activities		
Clean air and water and nice space between neighbors		
Different demographic subsets with various skill sets		
Feeling safe, secure and not threatened		
Finger lakes trails		
General Clinton generates commerce		
Good gravel resources		
Layout of village		
Low crime rate		
Natural resources and natural gas		
Nice town hall		
Not a lot of traffic		

Features	Number of priority stickers received	Number of tables where this feature was mentioned
Roads are in good shape		
State land		
The Old Mill, Yaleville Inn		
Town historical society		
Tractor pulls		
Variety of architecture		

D. Vision Elements

These are the elements of individual visions (added to post it notes). Each of these represent a topic that the public has indicated should be included as part of the final vision statement:

- Quality of Life
- Agriculture/Farms/Ag Businesses/Profitable Farming
- Local Accessibility
- Taxes, Freedoms and Liberties
- Recreation/Community Recreation/Recreational Development
- Economic Growth/Economic Development/Business Planning/Business Friendly Opportunities/Strong Economy
- Taxes and Revenues
- Take out the Garbage
- Rural Character/Rural Community
- Safe Community
- Energy
- Infrastructure/Energy/Energy Opportunities
- Pride in Your Property
- Affordable Living
- Property Rights
- Town Aesthetics
- Education
- Local Government
- Support for members of the community
- Natural Environment/Environmental Protection
- Hamlet Revitalization
- Green Energy
- Community Involvement/Community Activities
- Community Services

Vision Statements: These are the statements that were written at each table to summarize the collective vision/thoughts of the small group. These get analyzed and combined to form a uniform vision statement that incorporates the topics above and the direction stated below.

1. More energy from green sources. Hamlets have well-maintained homes, and businesses, and act as vibrant community centers. We maintain a healthy environment. It is a safe and friendly community for all age groups. It is an affordable place to live with diverse economy of farms and small businesses.
2. If farms are profitable, they grow, bring businesses to the community, are better kept and entice others to join in on the success. Bringing people here who are enticed by the landscape and friendly community atmosphere. We have good roads. Town needs to grow and have a good economic base to grow tax base to maintain the good community atmosphere. We have more activities to bring the community together and bring others to our town.
3. Economic development on a small scale. We want a rural community. Maintain small town appearance. There is concern and support for members of the community. Utilizing the knowledge of each person's ability, a center for human development and maintenance for learning, hope, progress, and good ideals.
4. Keep local government small and in touch with its residents with minimal control. Encourage community participation and local recreation by local resources. Encourage local small businesses through low taxes and fees. Promote the use of agriculture properties based on landowners preference with minimal government control. Very important to protect the rights of individual property owners and the use of their property. Promote residents sense of pride and belonging to a community. Promote local schools. Promote additional local services. Promote safe expansions of energy resources. Take pride in your property. Keep cost of living low to encourage growth and maintenance.
5. Maintain pretty open spaces. Provide a variety of community activities for all ages. Improve the aesthetics of the area. Maintain a safe community with fire protection, roadways, and infrastructure. Explore alternative sources of energy. Have local availability of resources to make living in this town and have connection with the world at large. Create policies to support our existing farm communities, retain farm land and open space and encourage new farm operations. Promote and increase the number of new businesses that are viable and durable and create local job opportunities. Bring in more revenues that are not based on property taxes.
6. The farm will be sustainable and economically viable. Economic development will fit in well with the rural character of Guilford. The natural environment remains pristine. The Community is actively involved in its future and development.
7. Improve the towns visual beauty. Encourage industry and growth. Maintain rural quality of life while developing opportunities prosperity. Encourage the next generation. Maintain the recreational resources that are available to us now. Maintain lower taxes. Maintain freedom to develop personal properties. There is preservation and rejuvenation of farms in the local area. Farms are mostly generational and niche farming.

Favorite Vision Statements or Elements: Participants were asked to put up to 3 stickers next to those vision statements that they felt were most important to them. The number included after each statement represents the number of stickers that particular vision statement received. Note that not

everyone who attended the workshop participated in this activity so this effort gives a sample of the key vision statements. These should be read as “In the future, the Town of Guilford will or will have...”

- Very important to protect the rights of individual property owners and the use of their property. (11)
- We want a rural community (farms, outdoor recreation, open spaces). (10)
 - Maintain small town appearance. (1)
- Gas wells (9)
 - Safe natural gas drilling producing quality fuel and high paying jobs. (8)
 - Safe gas wells. (2)
 - Taxes reduced due to economic benefits of natural gas. Rural freedoms kept so residents can enjoy quiet neighborhood without infringement of zoning regulations, etc. (8)
 - Banned hydrofracking of natural gas (2)
 - Zoning in place to protect watersheds/aquifers/ and against high impact hydrofracking (2)
- Active farms, farmers are able to grow what they like, good bartering system, farmland (5)
 - The agricultural base includes small family farms and provides most of the food needs for the local area (1)
 - Prosperous agriculture (1)
 - Profitable Ag. (3)
 - Bucolic agriculturally based with clean based (solar) energy for small businesses to help defer escalating property taxes and create jobs. (1)
 - Century farms are still functioning (4)
- Well kept buildings. (5)
 - Clean well-kept properties and homes. (1)
 - No derelict properties (2)
- Lower taxes (5)
- Guilford Lake is pristine, hiking trails, fishing, kayaking preserves town of Guilford (3)
- Keep local government small and in touch with the residents with minimal control (2)
- Economic development on a small scale. (2)
 - Economic development. (1)
- Energy resources have been develop using community cooperative business model, allowing small local investors to partner with town government (1)
- The water would be improved and cleaned because the Town enacted laws to protect it and people stopped polluting it (1)
 - Keep land and water pristine (1)
 - Land and water pristine. (1)
- Town Board members who can merge the town’s demographic populations by fairness in governing impartially to promote healthy, safety and welfare of the community as a whole. (1)
- To provide a variety of community activities for all ages. (1)
- There is concern and support for members of the community. (1)
- Strong community safe for all (1)
- Better roads. (2)
- Energy efficient buildings (1)

Public Hearing Results

Supervisor Seneck read the legal notice published in the newspaper regarding the comprehensive plan public hearing and declared the public hearing open at 7:03 p.m.

Speaker #1 stated she is concerned with conservation subdivisions identified on page 32 and that no one will be able to develop in the future. Recommends that this not be included in the comprehensive plan. She is concerned with the wording “endangered species” on page 15 & page 18 and would like to see that removed.

Speaker #2 questioned large scale projects on page 35 (and would like a definition of large scale). Questioned Guilford Lake and Mt Upton well watershed on page 36 and wondered if we need additional requirements. Suggested the right to farm law be a short-term priority rather than long term.

Speaker #3 thanked the Board for moving forward on the plan and reminded everyone that the language can be changed and that this document can be changed anytime. He thanked Bob Davis for the hours he spent working on this document.

Speaker #4 spoke about page 23 and the reference to gas drilling and feels the number of signatures obtained on petitions for a ban on gas drilling should also be included.

Speaker #5 thanked Bob Davis for his time. He stated that under Natural Gas Drilling on page 23 the paragraph should not begin with the word no. He would like to see numbers from the petitions included. He feels that Appendix A should begin with the vision statements rather than the negative features identified in the workshop. Thinks the order of some of the items should be prioritized differently.

Speaker #6 is concerned with wording on page 8 under the Environmental Health as well as under Community. She wonders if this will cause more land use regulations. On page 13, she is concerned that the wording on wetlands could cause us to become more regulated.

Speaker #7 spoke about page 11 of the Appendix A and the need to have something about the property rights of the individuals rather than more regulations.

Speaker #8 asked who would monitor the noise levels if we have a road use law. Questioned how the law would be enforced. Large scale development needs to be defined.

Speaker #9 is thankful that the natural environment components like air, water, etc are identified in the plan and are looked at for being preserved.

Being no further comments, Supervisor Seneck declared the public hearing closed at 7:28 p.m.