

Springfield Survey Results

Text answers for the open-ended questions.

II.1. Which of the issues listed below should be evaluated and considered in the comprehensive planning process? Other Issues that are important to you:

5 day regulation on everything
affordability of housing
allow no tax free properties or business
Amish regulations or lack of
asserting tax states on entities such as the opera house and all of its holdings
bicycle and walkway room along highways
broadband access
business
cleaning up garbage, vehicles in yards, and dog barking. Also dog crap in town
walk paths
cleaning up the small lakes
control could become a problem or good flexibility
economical survival- most important
employment does not necessarily mean in Springfield center. Could be in other
areas
encourage windmills
establish public water supply, and sewer
farmers runoff into streams and lakes
get real
I like wind mills. Keep Springfield a farming community. Don't try to fix it.
implication of peak oil- development of hamlet center
individual rights
invasive species
keeping our lake clean
lake access- maintaining present as is- not increasing facilities
lake level is out of control. Cooperstown controls it with boards, don't know how
legal that is when creating erosion- way to high
leash law and enforcement
lets keep rural new York, rural
loaded question- common sense
lower taxes
maintaining peace and tranquility of the area
most people that live here don't expect to work here
need for alternative energy - windmills, solar power
neighborhood layout; mixing of commercial and residential areas
(neighborhoods)
new initiatives for energy development/conservation
no big development- rural
no comprehensive plan

no motorcycle race track
no noise- no motorcycle racetracks
no zoning
no zoning so you cannot run business out of home
noise pollution affective quality of life
not enough time to respond
not having anything like a race track
Otsego lake, viable agriculture
pedestrian/bike/ run room on roads
people should be able to do what they want with their land
preservation of rural character, by use of cluster development
preservation of rural quality
preservation of wildlife habitats
protection of Otsego lake
pro-wind power. Energy independence still can be scenic
quicker answers if you want build/add on
remove junk from creeks, small park, new sidewalks, fire hydrants
rural character
senior citizen housing
solid waste and toxics disposal. Town taxes. Fire & emergency service
taxes
taxes are too high for cottages on Otsego lake
taxes related to planning/regulating/zoning
the fact that the state was allowed to locate maintained facility in town next to
established residents and that seasonal baseball parks was not allowed(which
would have provided work)
the need to study why towns that have more regulations have a large increase in
taxes. This is due to- added expenses, more demands of a growing
population, or due to increase in property values because of
protection(regulations)
to encourage home occupations- high speed wire internet
town or county-wide broadband
trailers placed on lakeside property or lake access property in order to get around
regulations and cost of septic systems and to avoid a tax increase which would
occur if a permanent dwelling is built
use of alternative energy. I like windmills and would look at them and listen to
them and take the remote chance they would ruin my television reception.
very important to have orderly growth with planning so area doesn't become
dominated by seasonal recreation and non-resident people whom don't care
and will become trouble to permitted residents.
very slow appropriate development, keep rural nature, no more development on
the lake
we need more businesses
when you own the land you own the view of your land. Not Otsego 2000 or
advocates for Springfield. visual trespass requires compensation
wind mill extremely important, we need them now
wind power

zoning
zoning

II.4a. Should Springfield have additional specific guidelines for the development and layout of future residential projects?

II.4b. If yes, what additional guidelines would you suggest?

a comprehensive plan will include further guidelines after input from more professional persons or experienced planners
a planned approach- septic, roads, lighting
a planned approach, not just willy-nilly
all projects should be viewed on its merit
all projects should be viewed on its merit
allow windmills and relatively small businesses to exist
an effective codes enforcement officer. Zoning. Lot size minimum of 3 acres
anything reasonable. Enough space between houses. Zoning
at least 5 acre lots
be able to change new problems as they arise
careful planning of cluster developments to preserve open space
careful review of impact of projects before approved
careful zoning
cluster housing and/or subdividing certain tracks of land on a site by site
evaluation
community voting
comprehensive land - use plan, based upon local and professional input
consider impact to rural setting and Amish neighbors(also tax payers) and not
allow outside interest to change the character of our town.(i.e.. Motorcycle club!???)
consideration should be given to density, preservation of historic buildings and
character, and overall sustainability and services
control of size, what used for impact on area
creative sitting of houses and access roads, no grid subdivisions on straight line
roads
cut out the bureaucrats! Busy bodies! Leave me/us alone
density
density, lot size, set backs
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density, surface water runoff
dependable rules for lot size and use
developments should seek to preserve views and open space and the natural
landscape through creative design and division of lots
do not have suggestions
do not overburden the infrastructure of the area
encourage cluster development with common green areas and discourage 'bacon
strip" development
encourage cluster development, more consideration of neighbors and view shed
encourage large lot subdivisions that protect environmental resources. Encourage

preservation of agricultural heritage. Encourage denser use of land within over 3 defined village hamlets and provide sanitary sewer encourage smaller lots and additional streets in hamlets. Encourage clustering in wooded areas. Prohibit development on ridge lines. Discourage subdivision of prime agriculture lands.

environmental and historic preservation regulation should always be looked at and adjusted

fairly strict- appeal, aesthetics

for over 5 parcels divided- on septic- one water supply

forget the view shed concept

guidelines on commercialization

guidelines to limit the impact of future projects on the peace and quiet of Springfield

historic small town looking for building for business. develop where business is now. Rte 20 should not be developed like a new strip mall. The impression of our town will be seen when driving on rte 20 and people will want to do business again if done properly. a place you want to come to shop

house size, not less then 1,100 square feet

I need education on this but flexibility is essential

if a complex for senior citizens- size would be a factor. Secure enough so that there can be additions for new ideas as the need access

if town has master plan- it should be followed- if no plan exists, develop one. That is practical and manageable- not out of a can by some master plan service

I'm not sure, rich people should not be favored

impact on lake and ecology

in order to protect water quality and adequate supply-limit development of land in reason, use common sense

incentives for using or adding renewable energies on residential projects

it should be clearly decided now, where we don't want development before a business comes in and it becomes a legal battle

keep it agricultural

keep it green on lake, no new residential, maybe some commercial to help lower our taxes

keep rural, no major development

keep rural, no major development, no tourist traps, no hotels, no baseball camps

keeping productive agriculture lands in agriculture, not housing projects

land should be surveyed before sub dived

large zoning parcels

larger parcels per sale of land in subdivisions

larger sites for home sites

limit amount of development allowed. Also regulate quality so as not to have mobile homes everywhere. Devalues property

limit over crowding on lake property

limited zoning, more general land use regulation

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location of house trailers. Junk cars in yard. At least 1 to 2 acres per building lot.

No motels in the middle of residential area

lot size and set backs
lot size, double wide special areas
lot size, road frontage, promote clustering
make it harder to subdivide big parcels of land
make sure the water system can support additional waste, we all have our own wells. Water gets dry in summer. Added people will drain supply
min lot size cluster housing, no mobile home parks, no motorcycle race ways within 3 miles of a resident
minimum acreage allowances for home sites
minimum lot size, set backs
minimum of 5 acres per lot
minimum of 1 acre or more
minimum parcel for subdivision 7 acres, scenic protection prohibition on mobile homes/RV's on designated scenic views
more consideration for local peoples own special interests
more regulations on multi house development
more review, tighter controls
more standards for subdivision and building
need to know current guidelines
no condos above 2 stories- none lakeside and sprawling, not compact- plenty of space and parking
no major developments, no baseball camps, no tourists, no industrial development, keep small town rural
no trailer parks, no motorcycle raceways of any kind
not sure if in effect but minimum lot size, minimum house size. No trashy properties. No obnoxious light or noise
not to be over populated like big cities
number of houses per acre, size of lots, at least one acre
options of people who will be effected
orderly planning
preservation of historic character
preservation of rural character and scenic view sheds. Preservation of lake quality
preservation of scenic beauty .vs. landowner rights to use property
preserving trees, protecting lake shore and water quality, limitations on occupancy and parking for weekly rentals, light pollution
prevent alteration of historic homes. Have applications for desired projects and keep homes/business original as possible
property should meet building plan (size)
protection for neighbors
protection of scenic view sheds and historic character
provision for water, sewage, roads and scenic/rural character of Springfield
R + D
regulate a minimum amount of land for each home in a development
regulate the amount of land that is sold to build a home like at least 5 acres per house
regulation of quality housing and areas surrounding such (no junk yards)
residential areas should remain residential and agricultural areas

residential developments should be sited off the main roads with a single entrance rather than multiple drive ways to the highway
restrictions that protect neighboring properties
rigid
road access/safety issues, density, aesthetics
road specs. Set backs from property lines/roads. Restriction of view abstractions
rural character saved low income housing preservation of scenic areas
set backs, noise and light regulations, well/ water source laws
site plan review
size and quality of structures must meet or exceed minimum standards
size of homes should fit on property site
size of lots-water- waste
size of projects is scale with near by buildings only appropriate businesses in residential area- for example, no restaurants in area without sufficient septic
stop development of dumps, motorcycle race tracks. Promote historic farm land and rural quality
strict regulations for developments
strong zoning- consideration to older small properties on the lake
stronger enforcement actions against those who violate land use regulations.
Minimum lot sizes, open space requirement and improved water quality
subdivision requirements
that the planning board members be unbiased
the lot sizes need to reflect the area and limited resources to support higher density
those that encourage question 11.1
too much regulations on property owners land
type of signs, type of buildings, location/landscaping
view changes
why are development prospect implemented? Commitment to Springfield is a big factor
wouldn't like to see large developments
zoning
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zoning is an urgent need, and no "bacon strip' development
zoning more average per lot required to keep quality of rural farming area limited
subdividing
zoning of residential and commercial districts
zoning plan
zoning, size of lots

11.5. In your opinion, how important is it for the Town of Springfield to regulate the following aspects of or kinds of development?

Other:

all are important

altering original homes for Springfield-keep original as possible

Amish road safety and visibility

amusement parks, private motorcycle parks/clubs that will effect the lives of its neighbors. Neighbors is one way we live near in this town or other neighboring towns

burn barrels

campgrounds/ 6- state park- land is grown up to trees, historically it should be well kept and mown.

control of subdivision lots not sold, un-maintained vacant lots

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disregard for wildlife and habitat

farm waste/odor

farm waste/odor

gas drilling and other outside originating development interests

government spending

hamlet developments, bike/electric pathways, sustainable energy program incentives

how much give-away to the opera do we allow

keep in mind we do have to grow to maintain a tax base and today's needs

keep our town as rural as possible

lake level

land use regulations to keep balance of growth and character of community under control.

lets cleanup the community or be fined

make the town a town without 6 different addresses. We are Springfield not jordanville, cherry Valley or Cooperstown. Why do I have a jordanville address when I live in Springfield

mind your business not ours

motorcycle tracks, baseball or sports dream parks, water parks, fast food franchises

MYOB

no more tax free properties, no heavy tourism

no motorcycle race track

non-profit (freeloaders)

pollution, live baits ex. Species in lake

pollutions(air/noise)

private clubs that have no great value to the community

projects started before ok by planning board

questions ambiguous

race tracks

rental of homes in residential areas should be prohibited/regulated

rural - scenic preservation or view shed

sanitary waste disposal system

septic systems around water sources
speed control through both villages, rte 20/80
speeding on rte 29 A and 80
stop urban sprawl
tax exempt property
taxes
town should not regulate private property
water dumps and landfills
we don't need more regulations
wind turbines should be voted on a town wide basis
zoning regulations for junk cars and equipment

II.6. How important is it to consider a future project's impact on the following aspects of our community?

Other:

aquifer protection
bicycle and walkways
commercial and industrial should be along rte 20 and in town
energy issues
energy, wind, solar, methane
establish water and sewer
landowners privacy
lighting
lighting
neighboring towns
new sources of energy
no regulations to stop peoples income from there property home business
no wind farms
noise
not for profit
nothing to hurt the rural atmosphere
our community is ex important
safety
sense of community
sustainable energy, high speed internet
tax exempt property
type of people that any activity would attract
we are not Cooperstown

II.7. Indicate the importance of each aspect of the town's environment:

Other:

economic development
energy issues
establish water and sewer

new sources of energy
no big businesses on rte 20
no regulations to stop peoples income from there property home business
noise
noise
noise
noise
noise and light pollution
noise control
noise pollution
Otsego lake
our community is ex important
quality of life-cultural aspects
recreational water quality
rental units in residential areas is wrong
roads
traffic
wildlife habitat

11.9. Should the town pursue efforts to preserve farmland and open space?

"It depends" reason:

agricultural districts
agriculture cannot sustain its self unless it is profitable
all land should be used
cost analysis, subsidies
cost to tax payers
different situations need individual attention and consideration
efforts can not reduce value of farmland
encourage farm and agriculture practices already in our town with reasonable tax assessments and laws. don't discourage what we already have.
how will it impact economic development
if a farmer cant afford to be a farmer anymore and cant sell his farm as a whole then they should be able to subdivide
if development would bring tax \$, jobs, and money
if farm land is not being worked, and not if any use to anyone. If it doesn't cloud
A scenic view it should be allowed to be beneficial to the town of Springfield
if farmer wants to subdivide he should be allowed to
if land has not been in use for years
if not being used it will go wild
if there is a plan to then manage or maintain that open space
is farm productive
location
need more development for more jobs
no we have lots of space already
not to the point where we become isolated

on demand
on how this is done to what extent
on other opportunities and economic development
only if it doesn't interfere with the landowners wishes
quality and current use of land
rather have nice homes than wild abandon land
should be up to owner
Springfield needs commercial viability
we want to sell our farm land to retire on, for any use we want
what is open space
what will be going their
who is going to farm the land, out young people are leaving because of high taxes
you all like to eat don't you

II.10. Should the town pursue efforts to preserve the rural character of Springfield?

"It depends" reason:

alt. energy to use of fossil fuels
cost
don't go overboard on restrictions
don't want dirty industrial/ coal plant, but housing is ok
economic development leads to employment
if it is easier to keep land listed as agricultural or vacant if it is used that way or
not
is it threatened
jobs come first
must be done without massive regulations
must go with the times
no high rise buildings
not at cost of economic development or alternative energy
on growth and needs of community
on other opportunities and economic element
on the actual project proposed
on what individual property owners want
on what they want to build
on what this is about
on what this is about
on who's expense
on your idea of restrictions
quality and current use of land
should get commercial tax base
subdivision regulations
useful stores would be nice
we need to move forward
what are the alternatives
yes, within reason

5	1-2	5-7
5	1-2	5-10
5	1-2	5-10
7	1-5	6-10
10	2-3	10-25
10	2-3	10-25
10	2-3	Consistent with overall plan. Might vary in hamlet/remote/farmlands
10	2-5	
20	2-5	
25	3-5	
1-2	3-5	
1-2	3-5	

II.12. Should the Town of Springfield establish a minimum lot size requirement on land other than those covered under Local Law #1 (the lakeshore)?

"It depends" reason:

- 2 acres home to be affordable
- 3 acres in rural areas, hamlets governed by home sites
- 3 to 5 acres outside of hamlets
- affordability, perk test, proximity to water, if any
- anyone desiring to maintain more than 1 acre of lawn is crazy
- area of lot, where located, should be addressed by zoning
- can do sensible cluster development, like Europe
- depends on what type of development (yes- 1 acre)
- determined by a review board
- different acres determines it
- each case should be considered on its merits
- if a comprehensive zoning law
- inside hamlets, outside hamlets
- limit # of buildings/dwellings on a specific lot size
- lot size directly related to proposed buildings Situated on it
- lot size for residential or commercial
- must be tied to goals, many downstate towns did not yet get what they wanted
- on local lakeside, hamlets, farmers fields
- on location
- on location
- on location and engineering evaluation of towns capacity to absorb development
(capacity in terms of natural resources
- on location and land available in that location
- on location and surroundings
- on location in Springfield area
- on location of property site
- on location-smaller lots within village
- on type of development (residential, commercial)

on water and septic
on what is to be put on the lot
on zones created- only in certain zones
only through full zoning
recommended density limits- encourage energy efficient housing
residents ability to pay, don't block those with less income
slope/proximity to lake
soil types and water quality should dictate lot size. Percolation test very greatly
and lime stone strata under the soil affect water flow and quality
some areas need more space than others
some areas, small lot size works, and in other areas it does not work,
some locations would be suitable for small lots, mimic or extend hamlets,
sustainable planning
there might be areas zoned for 1/2 acre developments, 1 acre developments, and
3-5 acres.
type of house
water and septic
what are you putting there
what the lot is for. Someone may want a small lot to have a garden if there isn't
good soil or room where they are
where
where density could create health or public safety problems
where it is in town-village or rural
where it is located
where the land is
whether commercial or agriculture use
yes(5 acres) if cluster development considered

III.4a. Should businesses be allowed in certain areas of Springfield and not in others?

III.4b. If yes, where should that location(s) be?

abandoned business sites; convenience store rte 20 intersection E. Springfield
again- zoning
along highway 20
along major highways
along rte 20
along rte 20 and near other business locations
along rte 20 and rte 80
along rte 20 and rte 80
along rte 20 between the hamlets
along rte 20 in town of E. Springfield, and the town of Springfield. Subject to
review
area that does not compromise historic sites, environment or residents
around post office and community center
away from rte 20
between hamlets

business district
business zones, not agricultural or residential or hamlet/residential zones
businesses should be located in only those areas zoned to business, not residential areas. These locations should be along major through ways
center of town
close to center of villages
commercial district
commercial district
contain on/near rte 20
create a business corridor
depends on business- car lot, manufacturing, professional offices
depends on nature of business/industry
depends on nature of business/industry
depends on size of business
depends on the business, size, noise type
depends on type and size of business
depends on type of business
depends on type of business
depends on what it is. We lost the general store
depends on zoning
down towns
downtown areas
east Springfield rte 20 and Springfield center rte 80
east Springfield rte 20 and Springfield center rte 80 where more shops can improve. Use historic look an small town feel. Where people would want to drive to enjoy
exclude residential
hamlet
hamlet of east Springfield
hamlet of east Springfield
hamlets
hamlets
hamlets and empire zone except home businesses
heavy industry or businesses that will impact with high levels of traffic, noise or possible pollution should be kept away from residential areas. Small home based business with little impact should be encouraged to develop anywhere. Should be evaluated on a case by case method.
highways
highways/villages
in a designated business zone
in and around Springfield center. Rte 20 and 80
in appropriate area
in close proximity to rte 20 corridor
in existing areas of business
in hamlets
in hamlets
in hamlets of suitable nature, otherwise along energy or transportation corridors

in presently commercial zoned areas
in presently commercial zoned areas
in the area of the village already used for business
in the area where previous business were located or in areas not used for
agricultural uses
in the center of town or east Springfield
in the main part of town near the post office where they are now
in the town
in the villages
in the villages, not in residential areas, like small businesses such as stores, and
gift shops. Not motels. The hotel is fine
in town/ on highway (rte 20)
in towns and hamlets
in village center where it is already commercial or rte 20
it depends on the type of business
keep to the current higher populated area. Leave open spaces as they are
large lots increase set backs
limited to existing hamlets
main roads
near 4 corners, on main roads
near present towns
near rte 20
near rte 20
near the center of Springfield center and the cross road of E. Springfield.
need a plan to develop
nimby. 4 corners- rte 80 and rte 20, expand from there
no opinion
non residential areas
not enough information
not in residential areas
not in residential areas
not in residential areas
not near anyone's home or farm or historic sites or on rte 20
not near lake
on rte 20
outside of village
route 20 and south on rte 80
rte 20
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rte 20
rte 20 / 80 corridors
rte 20 and 80
rte 20 and downtown Springfield center
rte 20 and not next to homes
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rte 20 and Springfield center
rte 20 and town center
rte 20 and villages
rte 20 and where its already clustered
rte 20 corridor
rte 20 corridor
rte 20 corridor, E Springfield
rte 20 hamlets
rte 20 west of 80
Springfield center, E. Springfield
Springfield center, rte 20
Springfield center, rte 20
start a business area that would fit all
there should be specific guide lines
they should be constructed in areas where the towns people want them
to be determined through a zoning plan
toward liquor store road
town
towns, rte 20
village center that is already commercial
village center where it is already commercial. Keep lake residential single family
village centers
villages
west on rte 20
what about home based businesses
what businesses are interested
where business are now
where business are now
where ever the impact to the residents is not negative. Possibly along-side rte 20
and rte 80
where they already are
where they now exist- primarily along rte 20
within 1/2 mile of rte 20
within hamlets- depending on business and impact on water and air quality
zone first then decide
zoned areas, a comprehensive plan

III.5. Would you support the development of the following in Springfield:

Large business/greater than 30 employees

"It depends" reason:

a large distribution center on rte 20 would give people many jobs

as long as it doesn't effect the neighborhood where located
business type
clean industry
corporate responsibility/local hire
environmental factors
environmental impact
environmental impact
environmental impact and upper limit to size
environmental sustainability historic character
how is development planned
if green and well planned
if it is good for the environment and the quality of life of permanent residents
if it was an appropriate small town business
impact on environment
large and clean- great
located to have minimal impact on rural nature of town, nor near Otsego lake
location
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location
location and impact on neighborhood and town infrastructure
location and type of business
location- zoning
low impact
minimal environmental impact
no corporations, only local business
no tax exempt
noise consideration
non-polluting
not commercial looking
on type
services required .vs. services rendered
tastefully done
type
type and location
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type of business and environmental considerations
type of business and location
type of business and location
type of business beneficial to residents
type of business beneficial to residents
type of business- large industry NO, Ins.Co YES
type of business like the opera
type of business location
type of business, no dreams parks
type of business. pollution including traffic and noise should be discouraged
very limited on these, it would impact our rural lifestyle. They would have to have
a community commitment give back
wall mart ware house on rte 20 would be ok
what is the business
what it offers
what kind of business
what sort of business
where and what
where its located
where its located
where located
yes what kind of business

III.5. Would you support the development of the following in Springfield:

Small business/less than 30 employees

"It depends" reason:

environmental factors
environmental impact
environmental impact
environmental impact

family only
family owned
if it is good for the environment and the quality of life of permanent residents
if someone is interested
in keeping with town model (small town America)
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
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location
location and impact on neighborhood and town infrastructure
low impact on environment
not commercial looking
on type of business
only if it didn't disturb the rural environment
private development
services required .vs. services rendered
tastefully done
type
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type of business and environmental considerations
type of business beneficial to residents
type of business beneficial to residents
type of business. pollution including traffic and noise should be discouraged
use of local resources/ pollution control
wall mart ware house on rte 20 would be ok
what
what is the business
what kind of business
where located

**III.5. Would you support the development of the following in
Springfield:
Mega-Farm Agricultural Businesses**

"It depends" reason:

appropriate location and layout
appropriate sitting
as long as its kept in areas away from the village itself and lakeside areas
definition of mega-farm
environmental excellence
environmental impact
environmental impact
family owned and operated
has to meet criteria
if its done carefully
if there are no negative impacts on family farms now in operation
impacts on air, water, and smell
less than 500 cows farms
location
location
location
location
location and impact on neighborhood and town infrastructure
location and ownership
location and which kind of mega farm
location of mega farm
location of mega farm
location/look
management of the farm
need more info
not too large
odor concentratioon
only if it didn't disturb the rural environment
protection of roads
should have enough land base to support at least 3/4 of operation
size
size and traffic
type of business. pollution including traffic and noise should be discouraged
type of farm
unclear on term
wall mart ware house on rte 20 would be ok
what is a mega farm
what is a mega farm? 400 cows, 1000 cows,
what mega is
where and end result
where located
with site plan review and EIS

III.5. Would you support the development of the following in Springfield:

Natural gas energy development

"It depends" reason:

1st to benefit local residents

don't turn the town into an industrial park

energy should service the local area first

environmental and visual impact

environmental impact

environmental impact

environmental impact

expected supply

good energy source

how is it done

how it effects the visual landscape

if it benefits local residents

if it can be done carefully and w/o having rural character and benefits residents

with lower energy prices

if the town would benefit as a whole

if this is the last resort/ consider all other forms 1st

impact on more significant features(ex rural character and farmland

impact on scenic beauty

it would be good if tax payers could save money on natural gas

local benefit must be demonstrated, no blatant exploitation

location

location

location

location

location

location

location

location and impact

location and impact on neighborhood and town infrastructure

location- zoning

need more info

need more info

needs adequate environmental protection and minimal impact on view sheds and

historic districts

only by persons who own the land

only if it didn't disturb the rural environment

only if not detrimental to area

payments are owners responsibility

rigid controls/ royalty to town

specific impact

what and location

what the land owner wants

where

where located

with site plan review and EIS

yes if limited to number of wells

III.5. Would you support the development of the following in Springfield:

Windmills for individual use such as on farms

"It depends" reason:

height

how many

how many and how tall

how well they be regulated

if discreet

if they are small

impact on neighbors and scenery

is there enough wind

limit size, minimal impact to neighbors

location

location

location

location

location and how many

max height of 100 ft

must be kept in use

must be visually compatible with surrounding country side

not 400 foot monsters

not tall

on the right

only as long as height is limited so that no lighting is required

setbacks

size

size and how many

size of farm and location of windmills

the size

type of windmill, small for farmers YES large for industry NO

view from neighbors

what height- not 400 ft tall

where

where located

with controls set by the town

yes with a height limitation

yes with controls

III.5. Would you support the development of the following in Springfield:

Commercial wind farms

"It depends" reason:

a remote location
away from homes
developers ability to deal with land owner openly
economic viability
environmental impact
environmental impact
for local use
how big
how it would impact existing ownerships
how many would be set up
how properties are effected. Would wildlife & environment be impacted
if controlled properly
if its used for local residents
if locally owned
if sited outside historic areas or where viewsapes not destroyed
if the town benefits. Supply the town or give the town owners an option of direct
hook up
impact on neighbors and scenery
limited # would be invested in the future
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location
location and noise pollution
location, ownership, direct benefits
midsize yes, mega no, must have local benefit
must be visually compatible with surrounding country side
not to large
not unless the scale is small and residents directly benefit
power discount for community
preservation of scenic resources
responsible planning
service locals first
size and location
view from lake

where is the wind
where located
where sited
where they are located. To think we need added power supply
with site plan review and EIS
yes, location
you got an hour or two?

IV.10. Please list three words you would use to describe the character of the Town of Springfield:

a good place to live	backward
a little unregulated	backwards
a town in transition	beautiful
active	beautiful
affordable	beautiful
agricultural	beautiful
agricultural	beautiful
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agricultural	beautiful
agricultural	beautiful
agricultural	beautiful
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agriculture	beautiful
agriculture	beautiful
agriculture	beautiful
agriculture	beautiful
agriculture	beautiful
agriculture district	beautiful
alluring	beautiful
alone	beautiful
American classic	beautiful
amiable	beautiful
Amish	beautiful
anti-growth	beautiful
antiquated	beautiful
antiquated	beautiful
art and culture easily available	beautiful landscape
as	best keep secret
attractive	big enough
attractive	boring
attractive	boring
attractive	boring

boring
boy
bucolic
bucolic
busy
caring
caring
caring
caring
caring
change programs
changing
changing
changing
character
charming
charming
charming
charming
charming
charming
charming
charming
charming and inviting
circus
clean
clean
clean
clean lake
cliché
closed
comfortable
comfortable
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comfortable
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comfortable
community
community
community

community
community
comradely
concerned
concerned
conflicted
conservative
conservative
conservative
conservative
conservative- regressive
cooperative
country
country
country
country
country like
country- like
courteous
crime free
cultural
dependable
depressed
depressed economically
depressed/poor
depressed/poor
developing
dibley
difficulty in accepting "newcomers"
diminishing
disorganized
dispersed
dispersed
diverse
divided as to direction
doing fair job
don't become cherry valley
down to earth
dumb
dumpy
dying
dying
economically poor
elderly
electric
electric
enchanted

historic
historic
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historic
historic
historic
historic
historic
historic
historic
historic
historic
hodge-podge
home
home
home
home
home
home
home
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home
home
home town
honest
honest
hospitable
hospital
housie
hypocritical
I
I love it
ideyllic
in
in need of occupations
in transition
incompetent
inconsistent
independent
independent
industrialized
inert
inhospitable to youth
interested
intimate
involved

involved
is
isolated
isolated
isolated
isolated
it
kind
lack of economic viability
lacking adequate local government
lacking employment
lacking vision for the future
laid back
laid back
laid back
laid back
laid back
lake
lake
lake
lake community
leaderless
leave
lifeless
like
litter bugs
little country town
location
lovely
lovely to look at in most places
loyalty
managed
mismanaged
more services
mostly attractive
mostly attractive
mostly friendly
motive
muddled & dysfunctional
multi-generational
my
natural
natural
natural
natural
natural habitat
neat

rural	scenic
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rural	scenic
rural	scenic
rural	scenic
rural / agricultural	scenic
rural / natural	scenic
rural and scenic	scenic
rural farm country	scenic
rural, rustic	scenic
rustic	scenic
rustic	scenic
sad	scenic
safe	scenic
safe	scenic
safe	scenic
safe	scenic
safe	scenic
safe	secure
safe	serene
safe	serene
safe	serene
safe	serene
safe	serene
safe	serene
scenic	serene
scenic	serenity
scenic	settled
scenic	short sighted
scenic	short sighted
scenic	sleepy
scenic	sleepy
scenic	sleepy
scenic	small
scenic	small

small	trashy
small	trying
small	trying
small	unaware
small	uncrowned
small town quaintness	under developed
some disrepair	under used
spacious	underdeveloped
stable	undeveloped
stable	undeveloped so at risk
stagnant	uneducated
stanat	unfair
struggling	unique
stubborn	unique
stubborn	unknowledgeable
stuck	unlimited potential
stuck up	unmanaged
suburb of Cooperstown	unpretensive
survive	unprogressive in administration
sweet	unspoiled
tenadions	unspoiled
the box	very friendly
the place to be on the 4th of July	very scenic
the town needs to wake up	visionless
things	visionless
think	volunteers
three	vulnerable
to	vulnerable
to buddy buddy with some residents and not others	vulnerable
too quiet	watershed
town	welcoming
town of snobs	welcoming
traditional	welcoming
tranquil	wholesome
tranquil	windy
tranquil	zoning

Please add any other comments on issues or concerns you have about the town below or on additional sheets.

a self sufficient senior housing center
 compared to neighboring in Cooperstown. It doesn't take much for a "facelift" -
 just a progressive board that makes things happen
 develop small business district in town

didn't receive until December 3, 07
failure to inspect boats at landing, a distinct problem
half of the town board represent the community. The other two represent themselves
I don't think outsiders should control what took us 50 years to build
I have a few opinions in the quality of services. They have little impact
I have lived here only 12 months so my experience is limited
I like things the way they are. There is no need for more laws and land use regulations
I think the wind turbines are a great idea. I think people should clean up junk and have no options on any of the other issues or care.
I think we can get carried away trying to run things
I would like a leash law and a noise ordinance
install a sign at the transfer site instructing people to pull ahead and to the side so cars can park on the level area
it would be nice to have activities for younger adults
keep property taxes low
lovely place
no information provided to new residents regarding town services and happenings
no more development or building on the lake
no more development or building on the lake
no more development or building on the lake
no opinion except for the town board is too argumentative
nothing to offer but isolation disrespect for humans. Too much contrast between the rich and poor, Cooperstown takes it all and rich are favored.
only have been here one year, love it. This form is a little too Raquel looking forward to more discussion
please keep it that way
public landing should be open late (at own risk and above 18) please
question 2.2- not enough does not mean excessive amounts,
question 4.4a- should do normal maintenance
require zoning
save our farms and farmland
save our town character
seasonal residents would appreciate more information via website
some on the town board make rules based on cities- taking away home owners freedom. Some are snobs
Springfield is certainly trying and concerned however we must keep focused on progress toward the future
stop delaying historic designation progress
there should be a moratorium on all large projects proposed until some sort of land use regulations are put in effect. The planning board should flat out reject proposals that don't fit into the surroundings.
this is a lot to ask to get back from people in 3 days. Received on wed and return by Friday. 6 pages of questions! A lot of people are busy this time of year.
this is a wonderful place to live. More people should be encouraged to participate

in local government.
this survey arrived on 11/28, not enough time before due
town board needs to start acting like adults and treat each other professionally
and work together. You have forgotten how to.
town government should not interfere with our way of life and how we live it
traffic must be better controlled- pay for speed humps if necessary on rte 29 A
and 80
try to get younger, fresh ideas for us
we as a town need to watch out for these money making non-residents who come
into our town, ? The lake and town and make a fortune doing so. All that does
is hurt the rest of the community in the long run
we cant afford the dunces on the town board who will do in beautiful springfield
we live here because it is residential and undeveloped. Modernizing, governing,
and increasing business would take away from what attracts people to live
here in the first place. I hate when outsiders move here and then want to
change everything. Leave it alone
we need new people on the town board- people who care about modern life and
change
we need real business in town, not tourist centered crap
would like to see new side walks in Springfield center, main street, public roads,
and rte 29 a where existing ones are.

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I.1. Age:	Under 18	19-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70+	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	0	22	20	58	118	92	92	404	99%
Percent of Completed Answers	0.0%	5.4%	5.0%	14.4%	29.2%	22.8%	22.8%		

I.2. Gender:	Male	Female	Answered both	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	220	173	5	399	98%
Percent of Completed Answers	55.1%	43.4%	1.3%		

I.3. Are you a: (resident status)	Seasonal Resident	Full-Time Resident	Non-Resident Landowner	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	59	310	30	400	98%
Percent of Completed Answers	14.8%	77.5%	7.5%		

I.4. What type of property do you own? (property1)	Residential	Commercial	Vacant Land	Rental	Vacation	Agricultural	None	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	280	14	14	2	18	46	30	405	100%
Percent of Completed Answers	69.1%	3.5%	3.5%	0.5%	4.4%	11.4%	7.4%		

I.4. What type of property do you own? (property2)	Residential	Commercial	Vacant Land	Rental	Vacation	Agricultural	None	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	1	13	39	12	8	37	0	113	28%
Percent of Completed Answers	0.9%	11.5%	34.5%	10.6%	7.1%	32.7%	0.0%		

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I.4. What type of property do you own? (property3)	Residential	Commercial	Vacant Land	Rental	Vacation	Agricultural	None	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	0	0	4	2	4	20	0	30	7%
Percent of Completed Answers	0.0%	0.0%	13.3%	6.7%	13.3%	66.7%	0.0%		

I.5. How long have you lived in the Town of Springfield?	5 or less	6 to 10	11 to 15	16 to 20	21 to 25	26 to 30	31 to 35	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered(out of 407)
Number of Responses	47	41	22	37	37	41	30	378	93%
Percent of Completed Answers	12.4%	10.8%	5.8%	9.8%	9.8%	10.8%	7.9%		
	36 to 40	41 to 45	46 to 50	51 to 55	56 to 60	61 to 65	66 to 70		
Number of Responses	25	14	16	13	12	9	10	378	93%
Percent of Completed Answers	6.6%	3.7%	4.2%	3.4%	3.2%	2.4%	2.6%		
	71 to 75	76 to 80	81 to 85	86 to 90	91 to 95	96 to 100			
Number of Responses	3	4	1	3	1	0		378	93%
Percent of Completed Answers	0.8%	1.1%	0.3%	0.8%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%		

I.6. How long have you owned property in the Town of Springfield?	5 or less - 50	6 to 10 - 54	11 to 15 - 28	16 to 20 - 53	21 to 25 - 36	26 to 30 - 40	31 to 35 - 36	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	50	5	28	53	36	40	36	391	96%
Percent of Completed Answers	12.8%	1.3%	7.2%	13.6%	9.2%	10.2%	9.2%		
	36 to 40 - 27	41 to 45 - 8	46 to 50 - 10	51 to 55 - 7	56 to 60 - 11	61 to 65 - 3	66 to 70 - 2		
Number of Responses	27	8	10	7	11	3	2	391	96%
Percent of Completed Answers	6.9%	2.0%	2.6%	1.8%	2.8%	0.8%	0.5%		
	71 to 75 - 0	76 to 80 - 0	81 to 85 - 0	86 to 90 - 0	91 to 95 - 0	96 to 100 - 0			
Number of Responses	0	0	0	0	0	0		391	96%
Percent of Completed Answers	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		

I.7. Are you employed?	Employed	Self-Employed	Unemployed	Retired	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	161	91	11	139	402	99%

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Percent of Completed Answers	40.0%	22.6%	2.7%	34.6%
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I.8. If employed or self-employed, how many miles do you commute on average?	0	1 to 5	6 to 10	11 to 20	21 to 30	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	75	26	30	51	32	264	65%
Percent of Completed Answers	28.4%	9.8%	11.4%	19.3%	12.1%		
	31 to 50	51 to 75	76 to 100	101 or more			
Number of Responses	22	13	9	6		264	65%
Percent of Completed Answers	8.3%	4.9%	3.4%	2.3%			

I.9. Do you have any school-aged children in your household, if so how many?	Zero	One	Two	Three	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	320	43	27	6	399	98%
Percent of Completed Answers	80.2%	10.8%	6.8%	1.5%		
	Four	Five	Six	Seven or more		
Number of Responses	0	1	2	0		
Percent of Completed Answers	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%	0.0%		

I.10. Where do you live/own property in the Town of Springfield? (location1)	Springfield Center	East Springfield	Otsego Lake	North of Route 20	South of Route 20	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	57	34	88	89	64	332	82%
Percent of Completed Answers	17.2%	10.2%	26.5%	26.8%	19.3%		

I.10. Where do you live/own property in the Town of Springfield? (location2)	Springfield Center	East Springfield	Otsego Lake	North of Route 20	South of Route 20	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	0	4	4	7	6		
Percent of Completed Answers							

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I.10. Where do you live/own property in the Town of Springfield? (location3)	Springfield Center	East Springfield	Otsego Lake	North of Route 20	South of Route 20	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	0	0	1	0	0		
Percent of Completed Answers							

II.1. Which of the issues listed below should be evaluated and considered in the comprehensive planning process?	Extremely Important	Important	Not Important	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Employment	110 30.0%	179 48.8%	46 12.5%	32 8.7%	367	90%
Economic Development	94 25.6%	207 56.4%	46 12.5%	20 5.4%	367	90%
Housing	67 18.6%	209 57.9%	56 15.5%	29 8.0%	361	89%
Road Maintenance	138 36.4%	220 58.0%	17 4.5%	4 1.1%	379	93%
Water Quality	210 55.6%	147 38.9%	10 2.6%	11 2.9%	378	93%
Septic/Wastewater	183 49.2%	158 42.5%	15 4.0%	16 4.3%	372	91%
Farmland/Rural Preservation	203 54.7%	129 34.8%	27 7.3%	12 3.2%	371	91%
Control of Development	195 52.1%	122 32.6%	44 11.8%	13 3.5%	374	92%
Public Facilities/Recreation	74 20.3%	197 54.1%	69 19.0%	24 6.6%	364	89%
Protection of Historic Buildings/Sites	114 30.4%	181 48.3%	60 16.0%	20 5.3%	375	92%
Protection of Scenic Viewsheds	133 36.9%	131 36.4%	71 19.7%	25 6.9%	360	88%

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II.2. Are you satisfied with the current status of land use regulations in Springfield?	Yes - 100	No-Too much regulation - 70	No-Not enough regulation - 115	Not aware of Land Use Regulations - 70	No Opinion - 20	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	100	70	115	70	20	382	94%
Percent of Completed Answers	26.2%	18.3%	30.1%	18.3%	5.2%		

II.3. What is your opinion on the specific existing land use regulations in Springfield?	Needs more standards	Favor as is	Needs less standards	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Subdivision Regulations	133 46.5%	94 32.9%	43 15.0%	16 5.6%	286	70%
Site Plan Review Law	122 42.5%	102 35.5%	47 16.4%	16 5.6%	287	71%
Local Law #1 of 2006	121 41.9%	103 35.6%	30 10.4%	35 12.1%	289	71%

II.4a. Should Springfield have additional specific guidelines for the development and layout of future residential projects?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	222	116	42	380	93%
Percent of Completed Answers	58.4%	30.5%	11.1%		

II.5. In your opinion, how important is it for the Town of Springfield to regulate the following aspects of or kinds of development?	Average Score:	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered(out of 407)
No land use regulations are needed	10.68	243	60%
Lot size	6.90	296	73%
Set backs	8.16	286	70%
Road frontage	9.08	284	70%
Development density	5.43	302	74%
Size of dwelling	10.40	278	68%
Location for residential, commercial, industrial, and	5.21	303	74%

agricultural uses				
Parking	11.54		286	70%
Lighting	10.36		289	71%
Signs	9.88		291	71%
Commercial building design	8.80		295	72%
Landscaping	11.62		283	70%
Lakeshore development	5.93		302	74%
Junkyards	4.80		307	75%
Mobile homes	7.52		293	72%
Wind turbines	8.28		301	74%
Other	7.17		41	10%

II.6. How important is it to consider a future project's impact on the following aspects of our community?	Extremely Important	Important	Not Important	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Density of development	170 46.3%	147 40.1%	36 9.8%	14 3.8%	367	90%
Drinking water quality	251 65.2%	118 30.6%	10 2.6%	6 1.6%	385	95%
Emergency services	197 51.0%	178 46.1%	9 2.3%	2 0.5%	386	95%
Farmlands and active farms	173 45.9%	178 47.2%	20 5.3%	6 1.6%	377	93%
Forests and woodlands	171 45.8%	161 43.2%	30 8.0%	11 2.9%	373	92%
Historic character	116 30.8%	179 47.5%	61 16.2%	21 5.6%	377	93%
Landscaping	30 8.2%	170 46.3%	138 37.6%	29 7.9%	367	90%
Local, county, and state roads	127 33.2%	218 57.1%	27 7.1%	10 2.6%	382	94%
Neighboring properties	113 30.9%	197 53.8%	35 9.6%	21 5.7%	366	90%
Otsego Lake	214 56.5%	117 30.9%	31 8.2%	17 4.5%	379	93%
Property values	161	166	26	16	369	91%

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	43.6%	45.0%	7.0%	4.3%		
Proximity of commercial development to residential or agricultural properties	176	133	44	14	367	90%
	48.0%	36.2%	12.0%	3.8%		
Rural Character	166	148	48	17	379	93%
	43.8%	39.1%	12.7%	4.5%		
Scenic resources	139	143	70	17	369	91%
	37.7%	38.8%	19.0%	4.6%		
Site design and layout	74	191	77	20	362	89%
	20.4%	52.8%	21.3%	5.5%		
Steams and wetlands	187	149	29	10	375	92%
	49.9%	39.7%	7.7%	2.7%		
Town budget	152	199	16	10	377	93%
	40.3%	52.8%	4.2%	2.7%		
Traffic	101	199	64	7	371	91%
	27.2%	53.6%	17.3%	1.9%		
Watershed and water quality	218	129	18	8	373	92%
	58.4%	34.6%	4.8%	2.1%		
Wildlife habitats	150	171	36	17	374	92%
	40.1%	45.7%	9.6%	4.5%		

II.7. Indicate the importance of each aspect of the town's environment:					Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Extremely Important	Important	Not Important	No Opinion		
Drinking water quality	285	91	3	5	384	94%
	74.2%	23.7%	0.8%	1.3%		
Stream water quality	221	142	10	7	380	93%
	58.2%	37.4%	2.6%	1.8%		
Historic buildings and districts	108	193	56	19	376	92%
	28.7%	51.3%	14.9%	5.1%		
Air quality	189	160	11	14	374	92%
	50.5%	42.8%	2.9%	3.7%		
Hamlets	81	200	48	29	358	88%
	22.6%	55.9%	13.4%	8.1%		
Scenic views	120	167	65	17	369	91%
	32.5%	45.3%	17.6%	4.6%		
Farmland	175	169	20	10	374	92%

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	46.8%	45.2%	5.3%	2.7%		
Open space	165	145	40	17	367	90%
	45.0%	39.5%	10.9%	4.6%		

II.8. Should Springfield develop and adopt a zoning law to control and regulate future developments and their locations?					Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Yes	No	No Opinion			
Number of Responses	275	91	18		384	94%
Percent of Completed Answers	71.6%	23.7%	4.7%			

II.9. Should the town pursue efforts to preserve farmland and open space?					Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Yes	No	It Depends	No Opinion		
Number of Responses	283	54	43	13	393	97%
Percent of Completed Answers	72.0%	13.7%	10.9%	3.3%		

II.10. Should the town pursue efforts to preserve the rural character of Springfield?					Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Yes	No	It Depends	No Opinion		
Number of Responses	291	49	36	18	394	97%
Percent of Completed Answers	73.9%	12.4%	9.1%	4.6%		

II.11. Would you be in favor of spending funds to meet the farmland or open space needs of the town?					Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	No	Yes, but using only private money	Yes, using a mix of public and private funds	Yes, using public money even if no private funds were available		
Number of Responses	99	64	162	38	371	91%
Percent of Completed Answers	26.7%	17.3%	43.7%	10.2%		

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II.12. Should the Town of Springfield establish a minimum lot size requirement on land other than those covered under Local Law #1 (the lakeshore)?	Yes	No	It Depends	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	178	101	55	43	379	93%
Percent of Completed Answers	47.0%	26.6%	14.5%	11.3%		

III.1. Should the town government make efforts to develop and promote business/commerce in the town?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	257	93	38	388	95%
Percent of Completed Answers	66.2%	24.0%	9.8%		

III.2. If yes, should the Town use tax incentives to do this?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	142	137	55	334	82%
Percent of Completed Answers	42.5%	41.0%	16.5%		

III.3a. Should Springfield have an additional Empire Zone?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	87	141	147	375	92%
Percent of Completed Answers	23.2%	37.6%	39.2%		

III.4a. Should businesses be allowed in certain areas of Springfield and not in others?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	171	147	53	373	92%
Percent of Completed Answers	45.8%	39.4%	14.2%		

III.5. Would you support the development of the following in Springfield:	Yes	No	It Depends	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)

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Large business/greater than 30 employees	150 39.5%	122 32.1%	88 23.2%	20 5.3%	380	93%
Small business/less than 30 employees	302 78.9%	15 3.9%	51 13.3%	15 3.9%	383	94%
Mega-Farm Agricultural Businesses	123 32.4%	170 44.7%	44 11.6%	42 11.1%	380	93%
Natural gas energy development	219 57.6%	65 17.1%	47 12.4%	49 12.9%	380	93%
Windmills for individual use such as on farms	307 79.3%	31 8.0%	36 9.3%	13 3.4%	387	95%
Commercial wind farms	191 49.5%	130 33.7%	50 13.0%	15 3.9%	386	95%

III.6. As a service to the public and a stimulus for business development and entrepreneurship, should the Town of Springfield support efforts to increase internet access into all areas of the town?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	286	65	38	390	96%
Percent of Completed Answers	73.3%	16.7%	9.7%		

III.7. Should the town aggressively negotiate with current cable and internet service franchise holder Time-Warner to expand service?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	245	70	68	383	94%
Percent of Completed Answers	64.0%	18.3%	17.8%		

IV.1. Should Springfield support and pursue efforts to develop municipal water and/or community septic systems in hamlets and other densely occupied areas of our town?				Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Yes	No	No Opinion		
Number of Responses	148	173	65	386	95%
Percent of Completed Answers	38.3%	44.8%	16.8%		

IV.2. Should the town pursue electronic modes of communication like town websites, e-mail, and other electronic equipment purchases to be used at, and facilitate town meetings?				Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Yes	No	No Opinion		
Number of Responses	188	109	86	383	94%
Percent of Completed Answers	49.1%	28.5%	22.5%		

IV.3. Should the town support efforts to inventory, record, and preserve historic sites, buildings, documents?				Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Yes	No	No Opinion		
Number of Responses	300	42	46	388	95%
Percent of Completed Answers	77.3%	10.8%	11.9%		

IV.4a. Should the town invest funds in upgrading the community center?				Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Yes	No	No Opinion		
Number of Responses	265	63	54	383	94%
Percent of Completed Answers	69.2%	16.4%	14.1%		

IV.4b. Regarding community events, should the Springfield town government:					Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
	Increase involvement and support	Decrease involvement and support	Maintain the existing level of involvement and support	No Opinion		
Number of Responses	127	10	191	58	387	95%
Percent of Completed Answers	32.8%	2.6%	49.4%	15.0%		

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IV.5. Would you like to see term limits on elected officials on the town board?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	218	103	66	388	95%
Percent of Completed Answers	56.2%	26.5%	17.0%		

IV.6. Regarding the Public Library, should the town:	Increase level of support	Decrease level of support	Maintain the existing level of support	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	170	9	162	44	385	95%
Percent of Completed Answers	44.2%	2.3%	42.1%	11.4%		

IV.7. Regarding the enforcement officer position in Springfield, should the town:	Make greater efforts to keep this position filled	Not fill this position	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	174	68	122	364	89%
Percent of Completed Answers	47.8%	18.7%	33.5%		

IV.8. Should health insurance be provided to elected town officials?	Yes	No	No Opinion	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Number of Responses	63	251	62	377	93%
Percent of Completed Answers	16.7%	66.6%	16.4%		

IV.9. Please rate the following town services:	Excellent	Adequate	Poor	Number of Answered Questions	Percent Answered (out of 407)
Dog Control	49 16.0%	173 56.5%	84 27.5%	306	75%
Fire and Emergency Services	265 74.4%	83 23.3%	8 2.2%	356	87%
Property Assessment	38	247	43	328	81%

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	11.6%	75.3%	13.1%		
Board of Assessment Review	31	220	33	284	70%
	10.9%	77.5%	11.6%		
Cemetery Maintenance	141	166	12	319	78%
	44.2%	52.0%	3.8%		
Transfer Station	92	208	22	322	79%
	28.6%	64.6%	6.8%		
Public Landing	79	218	43	340	84%
	23.2%	64.1%	12.6%		
Road Maintenance	177	164	16	357	88%
	49.6%	45.9%	4.5%		
Community Center	66	250	22	338	83%
	19.5%	74.0%	6.5%		
Town Board	37	201	84	323	79%
	11.5%	62.2%	26.0%		
Planning Board	42	202	70	314	77%
	13.4%	64.3%	22.3%		