

**Bigfork Comprehensive Plan  
Kick-off Meeting Summary  
May 26, 2010 2:00 p.m.  
City Hall**

Present: Brian Rauzi, Mike McKinney, Matt Pellinen, Chuck Almhjeld, Bob Zimmer, Dan Hienecke, Tim Johnson, Joel Karels, Howard McKinney, Ellen Pillsbury

The meeting began with attendees introducing themselves and the organizations they represented.

Ellen Pillsbury then reviewed the Bigfork Comprehensive Planning Process Scope of Work summary which included an explanation of a five step planning process. With additional time spend discussing Step 2: Community Visioning Session.

A request for example community comprehensive plans from the region was made. Pillsbury and Tim Johnson agreed to email documents. The *Edge of the Wilderness Comprehensive Plan* was completed in 2007. Comprehensive Plan examples from Itasca County Communities can be found here:  
<http://www.arrowheadplanning.org/Default.asp?PageID=582>

Attendees then discussed the formation of a comprehensive planning committee to oversee the process and provide more opportunity for community involvement. Mike McKinney agreed to discuss the committee formation with the Planning and Zoning Committee on Tuesday June 1, 2010.

The third and forth weeks in June were tentatively looked at for a Community Visioning Session depending on the formation of the planning committee and having enough time to properly advertise the Session. Attendees also agreed that scheduling in advance monthly planning committee meetings would keep the process on planned timeline.

Attendees provided background and current status of the water infrastructure planning project along with Bigfork Valley Hospital's future planned expansion project. In addition recent City activity was discussed including a rezoning for the hospital expansion. The 10 acres property was rezoned from Agricultural to Industrial.

Next Steps:

1. Determine planning committee make-up and public outreach activities
2. Schedule Public Visioning Session