

**TOWN OF BASHAW
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
ISSUES IDENTIFICATION**
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HOUSING

- Availability of land for residential development and where most advantageous to locate single and multi family housing
- Location of mobile homes
- No minimum lot size

TRANSPORTATION

- Maintenance of local roads
- Prioritizing and establishing a basis for upgrading town roads
- Speed limit posting
- Roads being open to snowmobile and ATV use
- Developer requirements to bring up to set standards before town can take over
- No current airstrip. Where would be an appropriate location if one was to develop
- No or very limited public transit service

UTILITY AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES

- Need for improved school facilities
- Limited availability of day car service
- Potential for high power voltage lines
- Limited recreational facilities (boat landing, golf course, playgrounds, sawyer creek wildlife area)
- Potential for land fills
- Potential for gravel pits
- Potential for minerals
- Location of cell towers
- Billboards and advertising
- Expansion of sewer/water to areas
- New town hall/community center/garage
- Comm83 and development of lands not able to carry development

AGRICULTURAL, NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

- Preservation of the Indian cemetery
- Preservation of Yellow River and Sawyer Creek
- Protection of ground water
- Surface water runoff to rivers/creeks and wetlands
- Potential for “large scale” farming operations
- Preserving prime farmland
- Protection of wetlands
- Protection of wildlife habitat
- Protection of public fishing and hunting areas
- Impact of Shell Lake Diversion on Yellow River and land

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Maintaining a rural atmosphere
- Encourage industrial development in communities that have public infrastructure (sewer/water/roads)
- Expansion of home based businesses utilizing internet/phone capacities (positive)
- Encourage mom and pop businesses

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION

- Expansion of sewer/water near Spooner/Shell Lake
- Cooperation between Washburn County zoning and town
- Working with utilities on lighting (nightlights and direct light down not up)
- Town to work with local units to continue to provide ambulance and fire protection
- Coordination with DNR on future plans of Sawyer Creek area
- More cooperation/communication between county and town
- State mandated programs
- Potential for tribal land in town
- Exploring shared services between towns
- Share services between school districts

LAND USE

- Need for zoning
- Need for land use regulation
- Spooner sanitary expansion into town
- Protection of riparian land
- Protection of wetland

- Protection of agricultural land
- Expansion of billboards
- Light pollution
- Need for identifying areas for residential/light commercial/agricultural/recreational
- Limit industrial development to specific areas