

Municipal Resources



Village Hall

Municipal resources are very important to the Village, to satisfy the needs of the community. According to the results of the Residential Survey, when asked how they would rate the municipal services such as public water and sewer, police protection, road maintenance, snow removal etc, over 80% of the respondents rated these municipal services good to excellent. No major problems have been identified with the services provided by the Village. The Village is currently working on bringing the wastewater treatment plant into compliance with the State Department of Environmental Conservation standards. The drinking water supply system may need to be reconfigured in the future to comply with state regulations. The following Goals and Recommendations support these concepts:

Goal 1: Increase communication and cooperation amongst Village, Town, and School officials.

Recommendations/Actions:

1. Create a steering committee comprised of Village, Town, and School representatives to address issues of joint concerns. This committee should meet quarterly.
2. Appoint a Village Trustee as a representative to attend Town and School Board meetings.
3. Host an annual Community Education Forum in order to communicate and introduce residents to the various municipal and school issues and governmental functions.

4. Encourage youth participation by establishing an annual “youth summit” whereby students hold mock village and town meetings to address issues of mutual concern.
5. Add links to community websites on each of the municipal and school websites.
6. Add a “Mayor’s Corner”, a “Town Supervisor’s Corner” and a “School Superintendent’s Corner” to the Village newsletter or *The Granville Sentinel* in order to facilitate the communication of important issues to the residents of the Village.

Goal 2: Retain Granville’s small-town character and “sense of community.”

Recommendations/Actions:

1. Continue to encourage citizen involvement and leadership; i.e. Got It in Granville.
2. Seek to retain a balanced mix of public services and affordable tax rates.
3. Inventory and celebrate the community’s cultural heritage and incorporate it into future development and redevelopment opportunities.
4. Promote attractive and appropriate design within the “public realm”. This includes streets, sidewalks, business storefronts, parks, and public buildings.
5. Address quality of life concerns related to lighting, signage, parking, and other aesthetic issues.

6. Create community gateways that are unique to the Village and both instills pride to residents, and information to visitors.
7. Continue to build upon unique community characteristics to develop common themes. Celebrate these themes through annual festivals, parades, and/or events.

Goal 3: Continue to provide a high quality of life for residents and businesses in the Village.

Recommendations/Actions:

1. Ensure that the Village maintains a safe and sufficient water supply source that can be effectively distributed and provides ample supply and quality.
2. Continue to upgrade and rehabilitate the wastewater treatment facility to reduce the amount of phosphorous and other pollutants that are discharged to the Mettawee River.
3. Pursue cellular telephone service to the Village, while minimizing the visual impacts of cell towers through the adoption of a telecommunications ordinance.
4. Continue to support and invest the necessary resources to the Village's Fire, Police, and Rescue Squads in order to maintain a high level of public safety and security.
5. Enhance public safety and quality of life by developing and enforcing regulations for the control of nuisances and traffic violations.
6. Improve and enhance the services provided by the Department of Public Works.
7. Maintain and enhance the refuse disposal services to the Village.
8. Develop and maintain a network of streets and sidewalks that are safe, convenient, and efficient for automobiles, cyclists, and pedestrians.

9. Ensure that sufficient parking is available for Village business owners and patrons.

Goal 4: Provide effective and safe street lighting that compliments the aesthetics of the Village.

Recommendations/Actions:

1. Continue to replace the existing highway-style lighting with Victorian style luminaries.
2. Require developers to provide Victorian style lighting with underground wiring.
3. Seek opportunities for burying utility wires underground or placing overhead lines toward the rear of the property.