

## **Appendix B**

### **Citizen Survey**

## Munising Township Citizen Survey

Munising Township is currently working on a Master Plan for land use. Local development decisions affect your quality of life in many ways, including: a healthy environment, clean and plentiful water, safe roadways, compatible land uses, adequate public facilities, and impacts to property values and taxes. A Master Plan is the blue print for a municipality that depicts current land uses, and guides decisions for both growth and conservation in your community. The Master Plan will include a chapter on Future Land Use, which will help guide future zoning changes.

A Master Plan can provide a cohesive focus by outlining development goals and objectives for a community. It can identify suitable districts for commercial or housing developments; farming, open space, recreational areas, and environmental resources; historic and cultural resources; and transportation corridors and utilities. Citizen input is an integral part of the Plan. Collective knowledge and local insights from community members can be instrumental in identifying your shared values and interests; establishing goals and objectives; outlining successful development strategies.

Please complete the following questionnaire. Your responses are anonymous and will be reported in group form only. Please return your completed survey to the Munising Township Hall, E9630 Prospect Street, Wetmore, MI 49895 or to the location where you picked up the survey. Thank you!

*Please circle one of the answers below.*

**1. I am a resident of:**

- a. Munising Township
- b. Other

**2. How long have you lived and/or owned property in Munising Township?**

- a. Less than one year
- b. Between 1 and 5 years
- c. Between 5 and 10 years
- d. Between 10 and 20 years
- e. More than 20 years

**3. Do you live in Munising Township year round?**

- a. Yes
- b. No, I leave town for the winter months.
- c. No, I spend less than three months of the year in Munising Township.

**4. Where is your place of employment located?**

- a. I'm retired
- b. I work in Munising Township.
- c. I work in Alger County.
- d. I work outside of Alger County.
- e. I work outside of Michigan.

**5. What strategy would you prefer for growth management in Munising Township?**

- a. Growth encouraged
- b. Growth takes its own course
- c. Planned and limited growth
- d. Goal of no growth

**Please check the box that comes closest to your opinion for each of the following questions:**

**1. Overall view of Munising Township:**

a. Overall how would you describe the quality of life in Munising Township?

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

b. How would you rate the overall quality of your neighborhood?

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

c. How do you rate Munising Township as a place to raise children?

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

d. How do you rate Munising Township as a place to live?

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

e. How do you rate Munising Township as a place to retire?

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

**2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Munising Township as a whole:**

a. Sense of community

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

b. Overall appearance of Munising Township

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

c. Quality of the K-12 schools in Munising Township area

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

d. Opportunities to attend cultural activities

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

e. Opportunities for leisure-time activities

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

f. Shopping opportunities

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

g. Recreation opportunities

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

h. Job opportunities

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

i. Access to affordable housing

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

j. Economic development

Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor       Don't know

**3. To what degree are the following problems in Munising Township?**

a. Loitering youth

Not a problem     Minor problem     Important problem     Major problem     Extreme problem     Don't know

b. Drugs

Not a problem     Minor problem     Important problem     Major problem     Extreme problem     Don't know

c. Taxes

Not a problem     Minor problem     Important problem     Major problem     Extreme problem     Don't know

d. Growth

Not a problem     Minor problem     Important problem     Major problem     Extreme problem     Don't know

e. Crime

Not a problem     Minor problem     Important problem     Major problem     Extreme problem     Don't know

f. Graffiti

Not a problem     Minor problem     Important problem     Major problem     Extreme problem     Don't know

g. Traffic

Not a problem  Minor problem  Important problem  Major problem  Extreme problem  Don't know

h. Run down homes and buildings

Not a problem  Minor problem  Important problem  Major problem  Extreme problem  Don't know

i. Parking

Not a problem  Minor problem  Important problem  Major problem  Extreme problem  Don't know

**4. Please rate the speed of growth in the following sections of Munising Township over the past 5 years:**

a. Population growth

Much too slow  Somewhat too slow  Right amount  Somewhat too fast  Much too fast  Don't know

b. Business/retail growth

Much too slow  Somewhat too slow  Right amount  Somewhat too fast  Much too fast  Don't know

c. Job growth

Much too slow  Somewhat too slow  Right amount  Somewhat too fast  Much too fast  Don't know

**5. In the past 12 months *about* how many times, if ever, have you or any other household members done the following things?**

a. Used the recreation facilities in Munising Township

0 or 1  Twice  3 to 12 times  13 to 25 times  25+ times  Don't know

b. Participated in a recreation program or activity?

0 or 1  Twice  3 to 12 times  13 to 25 times  25+ times  Don't know

c. Visited a Munising Township park?

0 or 1  Twice  3 to 12 times  13 to 25 times  25+ times  Don't know

d. Attended a Township Board, Planning Commission or other public meeting?

0 or 1  Twice  3 to 12 times  13 to 25 times  25+ times  Don't know

e. Used the internet for anything?

0 or 1  Twice  3 to 12 times  13 to 25 times  25+ times  Don't know

g. Used the internet to obtain information about Munising Township?

0 or 1  Twice  3 to 12 times  13 to 25 times  25+ times  Don't know

**6. Overall, how would you rate the quality of services provided by Munising Township?**

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

**7. How do you rate the quality of each of the following Munising Township services?**

a. Fire services

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

b. Ambulance services

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

c. Garbage collection

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

d. Recreation facilities

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

e. Recreation programs and classes

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

f. Park maintenance

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

g. Parks in general

Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Don't know

<b>h. Street maintenance</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>i. Cleanliness of streets</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>j. Snow removal</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>k. Street lighting</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>l. Services to seniors</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>m. Planning and zoning</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>n. Storm drainage</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>o. Services to youth</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	

**8. What was your impression of Munising Township employees in your most recent contact?**

<b>a. Knowledge</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>b. Responsiveness</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>c. Courtesy</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
<b>d. Overall impression</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	

**9. Please rate the following statements by checking the box that most closely represents your opinion:**

<b>a. I receive good value for the taxes that I pay</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>b. I am pleased with the overall direction that Munising Township is taking</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>c. I am well informed on major issues in Munising Township</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>d. Munising Township welcomes citizen involvement</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know

**1. What do you feel will be the single most important issue facing Munising Township over the next several years?**

**2. Please use the following space for comments, suggestions and solutions you would like the Township to consider.**

# Munising Township Citizen Survey Results

118 returned

**\*Note-Not all respondents answered all questions**

*Please circle one of the answers below.*

## 1. I am a resident of:

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|----------------------|-----------|
| a. Munising Township | 116-98.3% |
| b. Other             | 2- 1.7%   |

## 2. How long have you lived and/or owned property in Munising Township?

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|----------------------------|----------|
| a. Less than one year      | 0-0.0%   |
| b. Between 1 and 5 years   | 10-8.5%  |
| c. Between 5 and 10 years  | 15-12.8% |
| d. Between 10 and 20 years | 38-32.5% |
| e. More than 20 years      | 54-46.2% |

## 3. Do you live in Munising Township year round?

- |   |           |
|---|-----------|
| a. Yes  | 112-95.7% |
| b. No, I leave town for the winter months.                              | 3-2.6%    |
| c. No, I spend less than three months of the year in Munising Township. | 2-1.7%    |

## 4. Where is your place of employment located?

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|------------------------------------|----------|
| a. I'm retired.                    | 39-33.3% |
| b. I'm unemployed.                 | 10-8.5%  |
| c. I work in Munising Township.    | 15-12.8% |
| d. I work in the City of Munising. | 42-36.0% |
| e. I work in Alger County.         | 10-8.5%  |
| f. I work outside of Alger County. | 0-0.0%   |
| g. I work outside of Michigan.     | 1-0.9%   |

## 5. What strategy would you prefer for growth management in Munising Township?

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|--------------------------------|----------|
| a. Growth encouraged           | 52-44.8% |
| b. Growth takes its own course | 28-24.1% |
| c. Planned and limited growth  | 35-30.2% |
| d. Goal of no growth           | 1-0.9%   |

***Please check the box that comes closest to your opinion for each of the following questions:***

### 1. Overall view of Munising Township:

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|---|----------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| a. Overall how would you describe the quality of life in Munising Township? |          |                               |          |                               |          |                               |        |                                     |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent  | 42-36.2% | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | 37-31.9% | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | 31-26.7% | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | 4-3.4% | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know | 2-1.7%   |
| b. How would you rate the overall quality of your neighborhood?             |          |                               |          |                               |          |                               |        |                                     |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent  | 36-31.3% | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | 39-33.9% | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | 27-23.5% | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | 3-2.6% | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know | 10-8.7%  |
| c. How do you rate Munising Township as a place to raise children?          |          |                               |          |                               |          |                               |        |                                     |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent  | 31-26.7% | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | 44-37.9% | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | 26-22.4% | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | 6-5.2% | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know | 9-7.8%   |
| d. How do you rate Munising Township as a place to live?                    |          |                               |          |                               |          |                               |        |                                     |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent  | 39-33.6% | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | 31-26.7% | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | 27-23.3% | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | 3-2.6% | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know | 16-13.8% |
| e. How do you rate Munising Township as a place to retire?                  |          |                               |          |                               |          |                               |        |                                     |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent  | 35-30.2% | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | 29-25.0% | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | 36-31.0% | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | 4-3.4% | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know | 12-10.3% |

**2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Munising Township as a whole:**

**a. Sense of community**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 20-17.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 45-39.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 22-19.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 11-9.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 15-13.3%
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**b. Overall appearance of Munising Township**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 17-15.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 30-26.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 49-43.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 16-14.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 1-0.9%
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**c. Quality of the K-12 schools in the Munising Township area**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 37-32.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 41-36.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 19-16.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 8-7.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 8-7.1%
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**d. Opportunities to attend cultural activities**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 3-2.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 19-16.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 38-33.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 12-10.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 41-36.3%
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**e. Opportunities for leisure-time activities**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 12-10.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 39-34.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 38-33.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 14-12.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 10-8.8%
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**f. Shopping opportunities**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 1-0.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 12-10.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 31-27.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 62-54.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 7-6.2%
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**g. Recreation opportunities**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 16-14.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 21-18.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 33-29.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 20-17.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 23-20.4%
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**h. Job opportunities**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 3-2.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 9-8.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 39-34.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 52-46.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 10-8.8%
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**i. Access to affordable housing**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 32-28.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 33-29.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 19-16.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 18-15.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 11-9.7%
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**j. Economic development**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 12-10.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 11-9.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 42-37.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 35-31.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 13-11.5%
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**3. To what degree are the following problems in Munising Township?**

**a. Loitering youth**

<input type="checkbox"/> Not a problem 63-56.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor problem 9-8.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Important problem 4-3.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Major problem 2-1.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Extreme problem 0-0.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 34-30.4%
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**b. Drugs**

<input type="checkbox"/> Not a problem 17-15.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor problem 6-5.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Important problem 46-41.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Major problem 13-11.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Extreme problem 9-8.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 21-18.8%
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**c. Taxes**

<input type="checkbox"/> Not a problem 20-17.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor problem 24-21.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Important problem 39-34.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Major problem 19-17.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Extreme problem 6-5.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 4-3.6%
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**d. Growth**

<input type="checkbox"/> Not a problem 36-32.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor problem 17-15.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Important problem 21-18.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Major problem 6-5.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Extreme problem 2-1.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 30-26.8%
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**e. Crime**

<input type="checkbox"/> Not a problem 19-17.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor problem 26-23.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Important problem 41-36.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Major problem 7-6.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Extreme problem 1-0.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 18-16.1%
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**f. Graffiti**

Not a problem 62-55.5%    Minor problem 8-7.1%    Important problem 11-9.8%    Major problem 1-0.9%    Extreme problem 0-0.0%    Don't know 30-26.8%

**g. Traffic**

Not a problem 55-49.1%    Minor problem 16-14.3%    Important problem 2-1.8%    Major problem 4-3.6%    Extreme problem 9-8.0%    Don't know 26-23.2%

**h. Run down homes and buildings**

Not a problem 6-5.3%    Minor problem 4-3.5%    Important problem 39-34.2%    Major problem 42-36.8%    Extreme problem 21-18.4%    Don't know 2-1.8%

**4. Please rate the speed of growth in the following sections of Munising Township over the past 5 years:**

**a. Population growth**

Much too slow 19-16.5%    Somewhat too slow 26-22.6%    Right amount 15-13.0%    Somewhat too fast 9-7.8%    Much too fast 3-2.6%    Don't know 43-37.4%

**b. Business/retail growth**

Much too slow 51-44.3%    Somewhat too slow 29-25.2%    Right amount 16-13.9%    Somewhat too fast 2-1.7%    Much too fast 0-0.0%    Don't know 17-14.8%

**c. Job growth**

Much too slow 49-42.6%    Somewhat too slow 22-19.1%    Right amount 3-2.6%    Somewhat too fast 3-2.6%    Much too fast 0-0.0%    Don't know 38-33.0%

**5. In the past 12 months *about* how many times, if ever, have you or any other household members done the following things?**

**a. Used the recreation facilities in Munising Township**

0 or 1 31-29.2%    Twice 33-31.1%    3 to 12 times 3-2.8%    13 to 25 times 2-1.9%    25+ times 4-3.8%    Don't know 33-31.1%

**b. Participated in a recreation program or activity?**

0 or 1 82-77.4%    Twice 14-13.2%    3 to 12 times 0-0.0%    13 to 25 times 0-0.0%    25+ times 0-0.0%    Don't know 10-9.4%

**c. Visited a Munising Township park?**

0 or 1 76-71.7%    Twice 16-15.1%    3 to 12 times 4-3.8%    13 to 25 times 1-0.9%    25+ times 1-0.9%    Don't know 8-7.5%

**d. Attended a Township Board, Planning Commission or other public meeting?**

0 or 1 83-78.3%    Twice 4-3.8%    3 to 12 times 0-0.0%    13 to 25 times 0-0.0%    25+ times 0-0.0%    Don't know 19-17.9%

**e. Used the internet for anything?**

0 or 1 5-4.7%    Twice 6-5.7%    3 to 12 times 6-5.7%    13 to 25 times 29-27.4%    25+ times 42-39.6%    Don't know 18-17.0%

**g. Used the internet to obtain information about Munising Township?**

0 or 1 36-34.0%    Twice 39-36.8%    3 to 12 times 0-0.0%    13 to 25 times 0-0.0%    25+ times 0-0.0%    Don't know 31-29.2%

**6. Overall, how would you rate the quality of services provided by Munising Township?**

Excellent 24-20.7%    Good 42-36.2%    Fair 29-25.0%    Poor 4-3.4%    Don't know 17-14.7%

**7. How do you rate the quality of each of the following Munising Township services?**

**a. Fire services**

Excellent 36-32.4%    Good 28-25.2%    Fair 21-18.9%    Poor 2-1.8%    Don't know 24-21.6%



<b>b. Ambulance services</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 20-18.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 23-20.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 28-25.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 3-2.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 37-33.3%	
<b>c. Garbage collection</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 28-25.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 39-35.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 22-19.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 17-15.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 5-4.5%	
<b>d. Recreation facilities</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 25-22.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 21-18.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 29-26.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 11-9.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 25-22.5%	
<b>e. Recreation programs and classes</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 4-3.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 27-24.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 16-14.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 29-26.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 35-31.5%	
<b>f. Park maintenance</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 26-23.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 37-33.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 22-19.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 4-3.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 22-19.8%	
<b>g. Parks in general</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 27-24.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 33-29.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 16-14.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 6-5.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 29-26.1%	
<b>h. Street maintenance</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 1-0.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 3-2.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 41-36.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 62-55.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 4-3.6%	
<b>i. Cleanliness of streets</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 23-20.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 31-27.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 47-42.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 1-0.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 10-9.0%	
<b>j. Snow removal</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 16-14.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 22-19.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 39-35.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 17-15.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 17-15.3%	
<b>k. Street lighting</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 9-8.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 16-14.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 36-32.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 24-21.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 26-23.4%	
<b>l. Services to seniors</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 9-8.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 13-11.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 19-17.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 39-35.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 31-27.9%	
<b>m. Planning and zoning</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 13-11.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 14-12.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 32-28.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 7-6.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 45-40.5%	
<b>n. Storm drainage</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 2-1.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 4-3.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 16-14.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 44-39.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 45-40.5%	
<b>o. Services to youth</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 6-5.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 8-7.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 41-36.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 46-41.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 10-9.0%	

**8. What was your impression of Munising Township employees in your most recent contact?**

**a. Knowledge**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 42-37.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 31-27.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 17-15.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 6-5.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 16-14.3%
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**b. Responsiveness**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 39-34.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 28-25.0%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 23-20.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 4-3.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 18-16.1%
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**c. Courtesy**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 43-38.4%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 21-18.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 32-28.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 7-6.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 9-8.3%
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**d. Overall impression**

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent 40-35.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Good 36-32.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair 21-18.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor 4-3.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 11-9.8%
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**9. Please rate the following statements by checking the box that most closely represents your opinion:**

**a. I receive good value for the taxes that I pay**

<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree 27-23.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree 34-29.6%	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree 24-20.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree 19-16.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree 9-7.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 0-0.0%
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**b. I am pleased with the overall direction that Munising Township is taking**

<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree 14-12.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree 36-31.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree 29-25.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree 22-19.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree 6-5.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 8-7.0%
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**c. I am well informed on major issues in Munising Township**

<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree 9-7.8%	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree 7-6.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree 36-31.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree 53-46.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree 10-8.7%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 0-0.0%
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**d. Munising Township welcomes citizen involvement**

<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly agree 13-11.3%	<input type="checkbox"/> Agree 16-13.9%	<input type="checkbox"/> Neither agree nor disagree 22-19.1%	<input type="checkbox"/> Disagree 50-43.5%	<input type="checkbox"/> Strongly disagree 6-5.2%	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know 30-26.1%
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## Munising Township Citizen Survey Open-Ended Question Results

### 1. What do you feel will be the single most important issue facing Munising Township over the next several years?

- The economy-local, state, national and worldwide. Maintaining existing services w/all the cutbacks will mean more priority challenges as jobs continue to be cut, foreclosures, and families moving out of the area in search of jobs.
- Employment-we would like to see Munising Township attempt to attract some new businesses that would employ some of our community members. The Township could possible apply for grants for development or offer tax relief to new businesses.
- The youth.
- Decline in revenues with more demand for services.
- Population/job growth.
- Economic job loss.
- Improvements to Chapel Road and surrounding area.
- Paving the streets-we voted in millage for this purpose.
- The high cost of electricity.
- People leaving the area.
- We need more recreational activities for our youth; there is nothing fun here for them at all. I feel if we had a movie theatre, roller rink opened all year besides winter (ice), dance club, YMCA-our children wouldn't be bored and go look for trouble or get into trouble.
- Spend tax dollars where it will benefit the most people.
- Work to keep the "small town atmosphere" while encouraging growth.
- Economic development.
- Curb appeal.
- Lost 1/3 value of homestead the past several years but taxes continue to rise-why?
- Creating more work, jobs.
- Maintaining current services w/o an increase in taxes. I would rather see a decrease in non-essential items than a tax increase.
- Road repairs, street lighting-hilltop.
- We need to provide economic growth and employment opportunities to keep young people here and to give them a viable way to stay a member of the community.
- Keeping the quiet country aspect in tact.
- Should have adopt-a-highway/road to clean up debris.
- I feel that the lack of jobs will be the single most important issue facing Munising Township.
- The development of transient rental properties in residential areas.
- Jobs, schools, taxes.
- Jobs, growth.
- Plowing roads.
- Economic development.

- Jobs, people moving away.
- Job creation.
- Keeping roads in good condition.
- Balancing budgets and still retaining quality services.
- Jobs-people are not going to move here to work at Subway. Youth-fine something positive for them to do. Education-hold leadership accountable.
- Repairing roads.
- Jobs-attracting people to the area/keeping people here.
- Taxation.
- Education-the ability to get rid of poor performing teachers. Raising the schools greatschools.net rating.
- Jobs-get a gas station in Shingleton. Jobs that pay more than minimum wage. Keeping hotels open year round, even if they are only paying minimum wage. Clean up some private residences.
- Lack of financial ability.
- Growth in the M-28/Connors Road area and residential development.
- Foreclosures, health and safety issues for older mobile homes.
- Jobs, growth along M-28, blight.
- Alger County in general lacks employment, which causes decline in population, which is really hurting schools.
- Taxes collected by Munising Township are used for Rec Park, boardwalk, fire hall, etc. all in one area of Munising Township. H-58 residents have no park, bike path, tennis courts or other facilities. It needs to be equalized better for the whole Township.
- Growth.
- Loss of jobs/unable to pay property taxes. Empty homes and businesses. We are encouraged to shop locally but our City and Township hires from out of town. If I can find it cheaper elsewhere then that's what I do now.
- Taxes, garbage disposal.
- People leaving area b/c of NO work.
- I understand the need for more business opportunities and employment, but I don't want to see M-28 in the Wetmore area become a "strip" of fast food and shops. I think the rural feel is great. We need more opportunities for younger people are more for them to do.
- It looks like inflation, taxes and continued job losses will identify any and all issues.
- Keeping taxes down. Keeping the community together.
- Jobs.
- Lack of jobs. Help for the disabled under 62 years old.
- Keeping government from becoming too involved. Too many codes and regulations that restrict the average person.
- Increase of taxes, causing hardship to people. Zoning (or re-zoning) without citizens (neighbors) approval. Robbing people of their peace and quiet where they have lived for years.
- Growth and business moving into this area-it is strongly needed.

- Lower taxes. Drugs in school. Have more police presence on main roads.
- I'm sure it is money-just like everything else across the country during this tough time for everybody.
- Maintain present facilities, no more billboards.
- Try to put a pool in for the community to use.
- More jobs.
- Attracting new businesses/jobs to the area. Declining tax base-people moving away/lower property revenues yielding lower tax revenues.
- Employment.
- The rights of people to live a quiet, peaceful life without being run over by "big business" or the government regulating us to death.
- Planning for growth. Development and advertising is important but the path toward outdoor advertising has taken an unfortunate turn. The huge indestructible billboards are very ugly and inconsistent with what the Township could/should be. We should represent a refreshing change, not a junior version of Fox Valley.
- Jobs.
- Roads.
- Drug abuse, mainly in kids, selling of prescription drugs. The Munising public school system-I send my kids to Munising Baptist.
- Ambulance service should be financed by a "user fee." Reduction of staff at courthouse/sheriff's department. Tax revenue could be spent for taxpayer's benefit vs. employing unnecessary personnel. Better long term planning for tax based properties.
- Declining tax base because of lack of jobs and people leaving the area. Youth leave area b/c no further educational or job opportunities.
- Do not let Munising annex the Township now or at any time in the future.
- Jobs, if you don't grow real jobs you will start losing your tax base.
- Increase the job potential by encouraging business and residential growth within a planned/zoned structure.
- Economic downturn/job loss.
- More jobs.
- Tax income.
- Economic growth. Recycle instead of landfill.
- Traffic flow through M-28.
- Shopping opportunities (marketing area for development).
- Cemetery use by non-residents \*should have same costs as Maple Grove for non-residents.
- Closing of landfill-where does refuse go now?
- Establishing a Township law officer-specifically for Township.
- Jobs.
- Road upkeep.
- Creating an atmosphere to attract new business with good paying jobs.

**2. Please use the following space for comments, suggestions and solutions you would like the Township to consider.**

- Run down homes and buildings need to be addressed-especially in the Shingleton area.
- Could use more improvement outside city limits.
- Find a way to recycle or find a way to deal w/the landfill issues-water and toxic ramifications of landfills.
- Go after messy properties. The habitat home across from the golf course is a disgrace.
- Put a stop to ATV's and other unlicensed and uninsured vehicles operating on Alger County Class A roads.
- Road reconstruction-Cedar Street, Gates Road, Old Indian Town Road, Lehnen Road, Alger Heights to cemetery and many more.
- Send out communications via internet, newspaper and mailings as to community input on expected actions by the Township Board. Force us to be involved.
- Go looking for new businesses to locate in this area-new jobs so our youth can stay here. New jobs=population growth=more taxes to spend on community projects-maybe a community pool, which might=youth and senior activities.
- Don't let Munising annex all or part of the Township.
- Encourage retail/commercial/industrial development along M-28 corridor.
- Promote educational opportunities-satellite courses thru Bay, NMU, etc.
- Our most valuable properties are tax exempt due to the facilities that have been constructed. Examples-hospital, nursing homes, school, telephone company, etc. Although these mistakes have been made and I don't see an easy solution, I question our reasoning. Why was the hospital reconstructed in the exact same spot? When tourists come to our town, I have heard repeated comments about the mismanagement of the property on our Bay.
- Earlier snow removal for Hwy 13 and Powell Lake and to have it sanded or salted. Also to fix the Coleman grade on Hwy 13 as there have been several accidents there.
- Would like to see the tennis courts renovated.
- Please make sure that any businesses that want to locate in the Township do not poison the air or ground water, or destroy the quality of life we live here.
- Is there anything you can do about the speeders on Connors Road?
- Allow for more industry/jobs in the area.
- Maintenance of roadways-more paved roads.
- Alternative energy sources to reduce operating expenses.
- Recycling center creation. Reduce amount of trash going to the landfill.
- Expand or create trash pick up service for Township residents at an affordable rate.
- Hilltop Road needs to be blacktopped. The County spends more time filling in all the potholes-this could be put to use in blacktop. We need another street light on Hilltop Road.
- I would like garbage collection to be considered.
- The junk yard that is becoming an eye-sore on the corner of Prospect-don't let it become anymore overrun.

- The snowmobilers that disrespect personal property-make the hotels put up signs asking them to respect other's property.
- As much as possible support local businesses to build strong revenue base which in turn will provide more sources for jobs and community improvement.
- I would like to see the fire department spread out more. By the time Wetmore gets to many locations it is too late. Satellite sites would be great with several locals able to start fire fighting right away, knowing more help was coming.
- I wish I had a solution for more activities for young people, but I have no idea.
- Start showing people where their tax money is going and what it's being used for...what happened to Township street repair?
- Concerned about how bad things are starting to look. Need to enforce the blight ordinance in the Township. Shingleton and Christmas look bad.
- Large truck traffic on Connors Road is wrecking the road, makes it dangerous to walk/bike.
- Negative treatment of snowmobilers is driving away their business to other communities.
- Create a safe bike/walking path connecting M-28 and H-58 going out to Pictured Rocks and also connects to Munising Schools. This would give kids and adults options and would serve the "Safe Routes to School" and promote a healthier community.
- Too few people are aware and involved. Continue to publish and push things to get people involved on all levels-good and bad need to be pointed out.
- Streets lighted better where children ride buses to/from school.
- Be more business friendly.
- Full fledged recycling program.
- Purchase Camp Cusino for jail annex for young and first time offenders of minor crimes.
- We need jobs.
- I think that it is a delicate balancing act to be rural. Population gives a sense of community and personal service but money is limited and certain opportunities (youth activities, cultural events) are scarcer than in the City. I like Alger County and the small community environment.
- Monthly payment plans of taxes directly to the Township.
- Carmondy Road is one of the highest in population and one of the last to get plowed most of the time. 45mph is too fast on the road.
- If the education bar were raised, we could attract family minded professional businesses, with our recreation opportunities and natural beauty.
- The past few years the snow removal on the weekend has been poor. Overall they do an excellent job.
- What happened to the bike path/running trail?
- What about fixing up the welcome center?
- We have so much natural beauty here-why not take a page from Marquette or Chicago and use it wisely.
- Building 2 regulation tennis courts in sports area south of children's playground.
- The boardwalk is an excellent addition.

- Tax breaks for businesses that move into the Township.
- Please fix Connors Road.
- We need a Wal-Mart to replace Pamida (prices are high). It is hard for people here to travel to Marquette or Escanaba to get their needs and supplies. We need competition in this community.
- People who live year round on areas where there are forest roads should be able to be plowed by the County. This is a very big problem that causes hardship on citizens of the Township.
- This is a beautiful place to raise children because the crime rate is very low and I feel safe here-but it's boring.
- Animal control-barking dogs in neighborhoods.
- Stop raising taxes every year.
- I think the board does a great job-I should be more involved.
- I would like the Township to lower my property taxes.
- With the H-58 completion (improvement), make sure infrastructure is capable of added traffic-auto and people.
- Stay conservative and make decisions using knowledge and wisdom of our specific needs and not of some giant political policy.
- Have a requirement that the fire chief live in our Township, not just maintain a home here-or not receive a salary.
- More local businesses that will pop out.
- Clean up the vacant buildings (eye catchers)-maybe cheaper rentals.
- More functions throughout the year.
- Attempting to hold on raising taxes.
- We need more fast food companies to bring in more revenue and business and more employment for the citizens.
- We need some type of excitement here, we need revenue somehow.
- Bring in a dollar tree store.
- Spring and fall metals and trash collection.