

## Comprehensive Plan Updates- Meeting Notes

Date: 12/13/2023

Time: 7:00-8:30 PM

Mission Statement- *"Our mission is to update the Comprehensive Plan for Washington Township, Licking County, by prioritizing the preservation of its natural beauty, agriculture, and history, and to protect and improve the health, safety, and values of the community through the establishment of intentional and logical development recommendations."*

### Meeting Notes

- General review of progress so far.
  - Sections of the Comprehensive Plan were divided amongst group members. Small groups are working on updating the factual aspects of the plan to align with new facts/findings.
  - All section information will get sent to Justin D to compile in the final copy of the plan.
  - Goal is to have section information to Justin D by 1/24/24 at the latest.
  - After updating these sections we will transition to the future projections and community input sections.

### First three sections review

- History- Nancy Coad, Bill Dyke
  - Not too many changes to the content of this section, given history has not changed.
  - Velvet "industry" comment needs to be updated to focus on the business as a tourist venue, instead of manufacturing industry.
  - Need to update numbers referencing population.
  - Rich civil war history in our township can be researched for added content to this section.
  - Increase in population in recent years is due to expected industrial growth in western Licking County.
  - Glass history is not mentioned but should be if enough information can be found.
  - Look into the underground railroad history of the township.
  - Plan is to send information by updating word document of history section.
- Demographics- Ikeya Morning, Beth Dyke
  - Followed the outline and updated/researched the statistics that are in the current document.
  - Check with school district about future population projections for updating Figure 2.
  - Move future population projections to Goals and Objectives section.
  - Ikeya focused on housing and income sections.
    - Followed the current structure and updated statistics accordingly.
    - Looking for more information on new builds and housing value increases.
  - Utilize John M or Justin D for chart/plot making in excel.
- Land Capability- Ron Thompson, John Martinsen, Beth Dyke
  - Ron working on getting updated maps from Licking County Soil and Water resource.
  - Need to investigate the slope throughout the township and add information relating slope to development possibilities.

- Try to find an Aquifer map of the township.
- May want to take some information out of this section. Section is a little wordy.
- Ohio Geology Interactive Map link was shared with group from Beth D

#### General

- 12/27/23 meeting will be open work session. Contact Justin D if you want to use the township building to meet.

#### Action Items

All- Continue working on section assignments.