

Winneconne Leaders Meet to Define a Vision for 2025

January 11, 2006. The Winneconne Middle School Library was host to the second meeting in the process to develop the *Village of Winneconne Comprehensive Plan for 2025*. Approximately 25 village leaders, including plan commissioners, board members, and staff attended this public meeting event which was facilitated by Amy Emery, AICP and Jeff Sanders of OMNNI Associates.

The meeting began with a review of the planning activities completed already, including:

The Kick-Off Meeting held in September 2005 (summary available on this web page)
The community-wide survey distributed in 2005 (summary available on this web page)
Introduction and review of draft plan chapters 1 & 2

This initial presentation and discussion occurred during the first hour of the meeting. Then, the planners from OMNNI facilitated an activity designed to generate ideas about what is desired in Winneconne in the year 2025. Participants were asked to imagine it was the year 2025 and they were looking down at the Village from an airplane. From this perspective, they were asked to identify all the things they would like to see in Winneconne at that time.

The ideas generated were recorded on a wall graphic image. The challenge of the planning process will be to identify steps necessary to make these visions for 2025 a reality. As such, the ideas collected will be used by OMNNI as an expression of the desired future condition of Winneconne in 2025. The ideas discussed at this meeting will be considered in greater detail as the planning process moves forward over the course of the next 16 months. A picture of the final wall graphic is provided at the end of Chapter 2, which is available on this web page.

In 2006, meetings with OMNNI will occur every other month. During these sessions, OMNNI will present a draft element chapter and discuss the findings with the Village Board, Plan Commission and any interested residents in attendance. Each of these meetings will be open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend. Over the course of the year, the following topics will be discussed in more detail:

- Housing
- Transportation
- Utilities and Community Facilities
- Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources
- Economic Development

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 8, 2006 at 6pm.