Ogle County Regional Planning Commission

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REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT
JANUARY 21, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Ogle County Regional Planning Commission was held on Thursday, January 21, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at the Ogle County Farm Bureau, 421 W. Pines Rd., Oregon, IL.

The Order of Business was as follows:

1. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM.

   Chairman Funk called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll call indicated seven members of the Regional Planning Commission were present: Chairman Lloyd Funk, Paul White, Ron Colson, Wayne Reising, Randy Ocken, Don Conn and David Poole.

2. READING AND APPROVAL OF REPORT OF DECEMBER 17, 2009 AS MINUTES.

   Chairman Funk asked for any changes or corrections to the report of the December 17, 2009 meeting of the Ogle County Regional Planning Commission. Hearing none, Chairman Funk declared the minutes approved as read.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION)

   There was no unfinished business for consideration.

4. NEW BUSINESS

   A. DECISIONS (CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION)

      #4-09 SPECIAL USE -- Keith E. Wilson, 6931 N. Olcott, Chicago, IL by Attorney Deborah S. Maas, Smith, Hahn, Morrow & Floski P.C., 129 S. 4th St., PO Box 10, Oregon, IL for a Special Use permit to allow a heliport in the AG-1 Agricultural District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner:

      Part of the W1/2 of the SE1/4 and part of the SE1/4 of the SW1/4 Section 32 Oregon-Nashua Township 23N, R10E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 32.70 acres, more or less
      Property Identification Number: 16-32-400-004
      Common Location: 1255 W. Star Rd., Oregon, IL

      Mr. Reibel read the staff report. The Natural Resources Review by IDNR contains no record of State-listed threatened or endangered species in the vicinity of the project location, and the consultation process with IDNR has been terminated.

      Attorney Deborah Maas and Keith Wilson were present. Attorney Maas explained that Mr. Wilson owns the property and is proposing to use the existing concrete pad on the site as a helipad. She further explained that there will be no further alterations or construction on the property. Attorney Maas stated that permits will have to be approved for a private helipad by IDOT and the FAA after approval of the special use permit at the county level.

Mr. Wilson explained that he works for a Chicago Fire Department and would like for his site to be available for any search and rescue or emergency services in the county. He stated that the property is currently used for hunting and cropland. He stated that the use will continue and remain consistent with the rural use and no acreage will be taken out of production. Mr. Wilson stated that he anticipates using the helipad about twelve times a year. He further explained that his long term goal would be to retire in five to ten years and teach flying lessons out of the Rockford Airport. He explained that he would not use the site for his lessons but would fly in and out of the property to teach in Rockford or a surrounding airport. Mr. Wilson described the helicopter he owns and the noise that it makes. He presented charts printed from the Internet and information from the manufacturer of his helicopter regarding noise decibels. He stated that his helicopters noise level is comparable to that of a chain saw and less than a combine.

Attorney Maas referred to the recommendations for the special use permit restricting the number landings/take-offs at the site. She stated that she feels it should be an even number. It was clarified later that the recommendation of fifteen means a take-off and a landing combined as one of the fifteen trips.

Attorney Maas stated that through her research of the Comprehensive Plan this use is a compatible one.

Mr. Funk asked if their would be any storage of fuel on the property. Mr. Wilson responded that eventually he may get an above ground fuel take on the property.

Attorney Maas stated that the helicopter will be stored in the barn. Mr. Wilson stated that he would not want the helicopter stored outside.

It was clarified that the helicopters would only be operated during daylight hours and no lights would be installed on the property.

Mr. Conn asked Mr. Reibel the reason for limiting the landings/take-offs on the permit. Mr. Reibel responded that he included the condition to minimize the impact on the adjoining property owners. Mr. Conn stated that he would like to see the condition removed.

Mr. Reising asked if Mr. Wilson would return in the future to ask for more landings/take-offs. Mr. Wilson responded that at the next meeting he had planned to bring a sectional chart which is a map for pilots of safe landing areas to use in case of emergencies. He stated that there are many landing areas being utilized in the county and they should not impact the neighbors if they are used in a respectable manner. He stated that the use of his helicopter is no greater of a disturbance than his neighbors shooting their guns. He explained that it is too expensive to operate his helicopter in a disrespectful manner.

Mr. Colson asked if this heliport would be in any sort of data base with the Sheriffs Department. Mr. Wilson responded that his heliport would be included on the sectional chart for that reason.

Mr. Funk asked how big the pad will be. Mr. Wilson responded that he will use the existing pad that is about 15' x 15'. Mr. Funk asked if that is big enough for use of a larger helicopter in an emergency. Mr. Wilson stated that his pad is thick enough for any helicopter to land. Discussion ensued.

Mr. White asked how the helicopter might affect livestock in the area. Discussion ensued and it was clarified that the helicopter should have no impact on any livestock.

Mr. Conn asked if a motion would need to be made prior to an approval motion to remove condition number two and three. He continued that he sees no reason to limit the landings/take-offs and that this would be regulated by the FAA.

Discussion ensued regarding the use and permits through IDOT and the FAA.

Discussion ensued regarding the condition limiting the landings/take-offs.

Mr. White stated that since this use is permitted by a special use permit if complaints arise it can be looked at again.

Attorney Maas stated that the county will receive copies of the permits from the FAA and IDOT and those can be made available to the adjoining landowners.

Discussion ensued regarding the noise level of the helicopter.

Mr. Conn made a motion to recommend approval of Petition No. 4-09 Special Use minus items two and three under the staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Ocken. Mr. Colson asked if condition number three should be retained. Mr. Conn responded that the condition will be covered under the permits from the FAA. Mr. Funk called for a roll call vote; the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

5. OTHER BUSINESS (CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION)

PLANNING PREFERENCE SURVEY RESULTS

Mr. Reibel passed out the survey results for the Committee to review.

Mr. Reibel stated that the results could be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan as an addendum.

Mr. Colson stated that it might be useful for the information to be put into a power point presentation for the County Board and other local service groups. He stated that the County Board often ends up voting by opinion and emotion and seeing the response from several hundred people may be useful to them. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Reibel stated that he is waiting for the information to be added to the County Website and when it is he will submit a press release to the papers.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF OGLE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Mr. Reibel stated that each year an annual review of the comprehensive plan is on the agenda. He continued that he sees no need for a change at this time. He asked for the members to review it and bring any concerns to the next meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the forty acre requirement for dwellings in the agricultural district.

Discussion ensued regarding the definition of a large farm operation in this area.

Mr. Funk stated that he still has concerns of subdivisions being contiguous to municipalities. Discussion ensued.

Discussion ensued regarding wind farms, complaints and progress of the Baileyville Farm.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

7. ADJOURN

Chairman Funk declared the January meeting of the Ogle County Regional Planning Commission adjourned at 7:55 P.M. The next meeting of the Ogle County Regional Planning Commission is scheduled for February 28, 2010, 7:00 P.M. at the Ogle County Farm Bureau, 421 W. Pines Rd., Oregon, IL.

Respectfully submitted,

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Calendar Year 2009 Statistics
Compiled by the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department

TABLE: *2009 Township Dwelling Starts and Percent of Total - Unincorporated Ogle County*

MAP: *Dwelling Starts In Calendar Year 2009, Ogle County, IL (Unincorporated)*

TABLE: *Zoning Certificates Issued 1970-2009 - Unincorporated Ogle County*

CHART: *Zoning Certificates Issued 1970-2009 - Unincorporated Ogle County*

CHART: *Dwelling Starts 1970-2009 - Unincorporated Ogle County*

Miscellaneous Statistical Information:

- Total Number of Zoning Certificates Issued: **349 (Non-Agricultural = 291; Agricultural = 58)**
- Estimated Value of Dwelling Starts: **$6,004,500.**
- Average Estimated Value per Dwelling: **$187,641.**
- Number of Map Amendment Petitions Filed: **10**
- Number of Special Use Permit Petitions Filed: **4**
- Number of Variation Petitions Filed: **16**
- Number of Zoning Ordinance Violation Notices Issued: **29**

Subdivisions Approved:

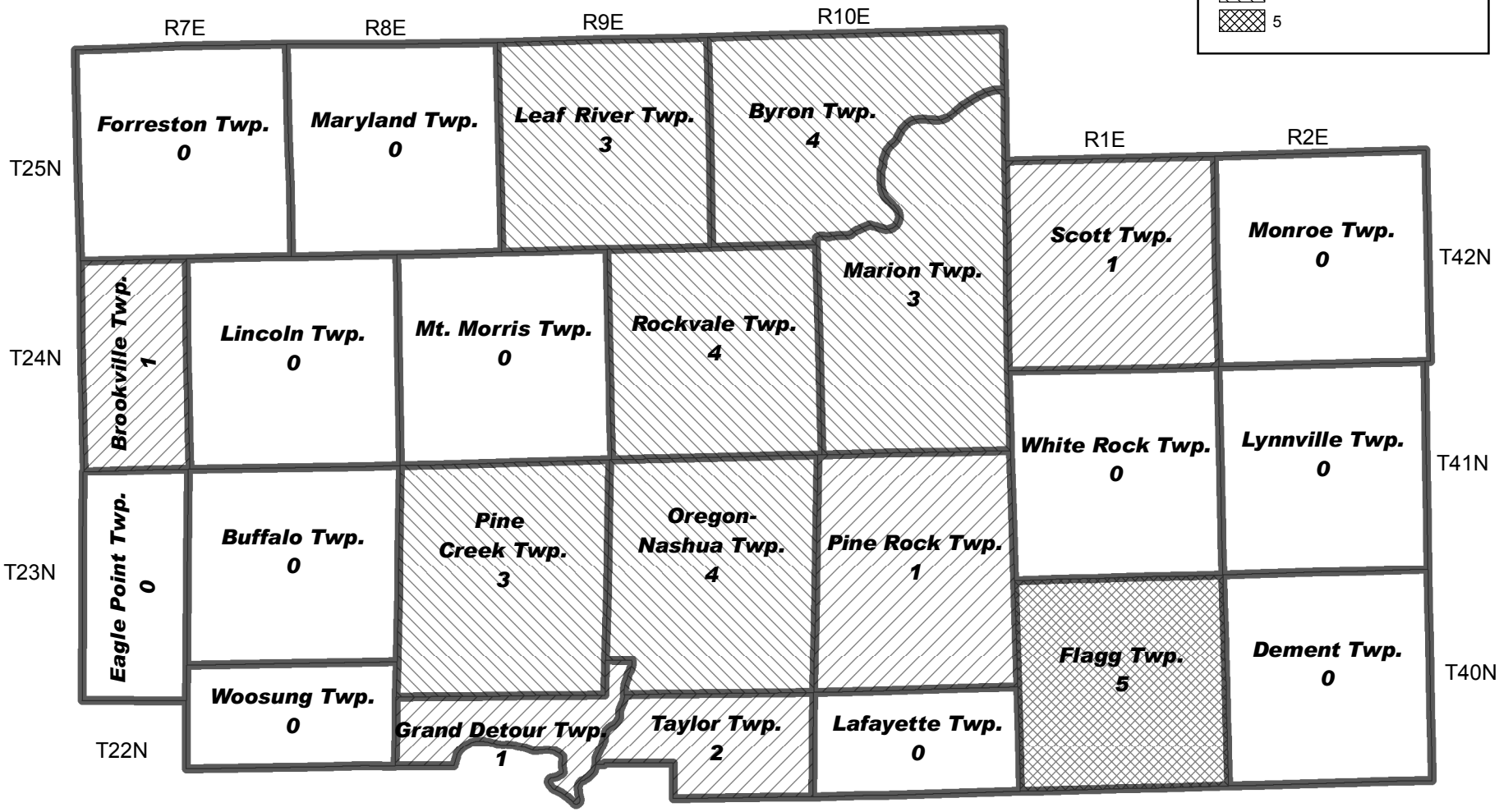
No subdivisions were approved in 2009

2009 Township Dwelling Starts and Percent of Total
Unincorporated Ogle County

Township	Dwelling Starts	% of Total
Flagg	5	15.6%
Byron	4	12.5%
Oregon-Nashua	4	12.5%
Rockvale	4	12.5%
Leaf River	3	9.4%
Marion	3	9.4%
Pine Creek	3	9.4%
Taylor	2	6.3%
Brookville	1	3.1%
Grand Detour	1	3.1%
Pine Rock	1	3.1%
Scott	1	3.1%
Buffalo	0	0%
Dement	0	0%
Eagle Point	0	0%
Forreston	0	0%
Lafayette	0	0%
Lincoln	0	0%
Lynnville	0	0%
Maryland	0	0%
Monroe	0	0%
Mt. Morris	0	0%
White Rock	0	0%
Woosung	0	0%
Total:	**32**	**100%**

Source: Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department

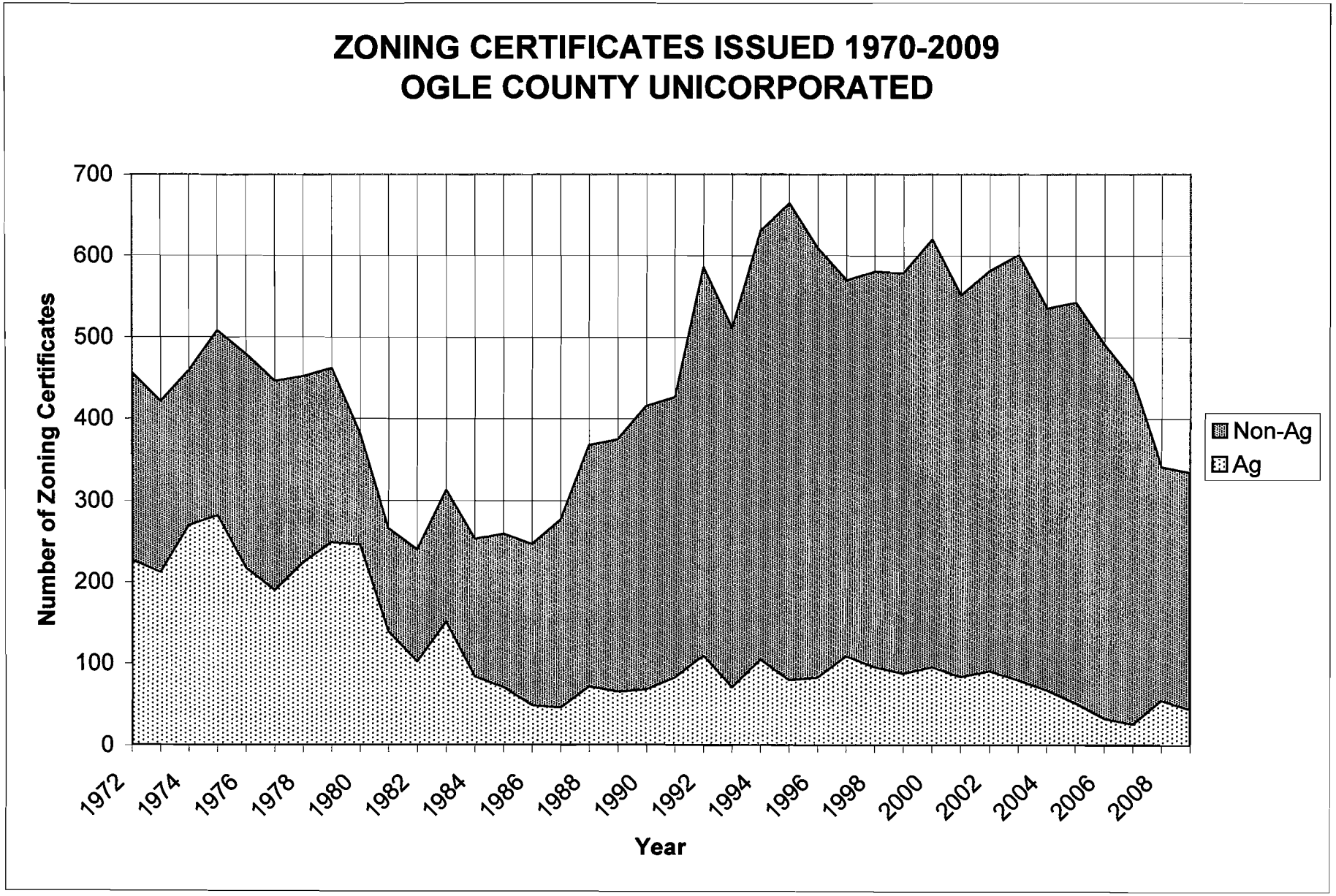
Dwelling Starts in Calender Year 2009
Unincorporated Ogle County, Illinois



Source: Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department, January 2010

ZONING CERTIFICATES ISSUED 1970-2009 UNINCORPORATED OGLE COUNTY			
Year	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural	Dwellings
1970	221	227	104
1971	299	212	142
1972	229	270	146
1973	209	282	152
1974	189	217	126
1975	226	190	154
1976	262	224	209
1977	256	249	201
1978	228	246	206
1979	213	139	106
1980	135	102	63
1981	127	151	49
1982	138	84	40
1983	162	71	58
1984	169	49	51
1985	189	46	63
1986	198	72	63
1987	231	66	94
1988	296	69	127
1989	309	83	121
1990	347	110	169
1991	344	71	145
1992	476	105	217
1993	440	80	168
1994	526	83	208
1995	585	109	208
1996	526	96	157
1997	461	88	130
1998	485	96	145
1999	491	84	146
2000	524	91	117
2001	468	80	124
2002	491	68	122
2003	521	52	116
2004	468	33	100
2005	491	26	132
2006	457	54	122
2007	421	44	85
2008	287	52	50
2009	291	58	32

Source: Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department


ZONING CERTIFICATES ISSUED 1970-2009
OGLE COUNTY UNICORPORATED
Number of Zoning Certificates
700
600
500
400
300
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1972
1974
1976
1978
1980
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1984
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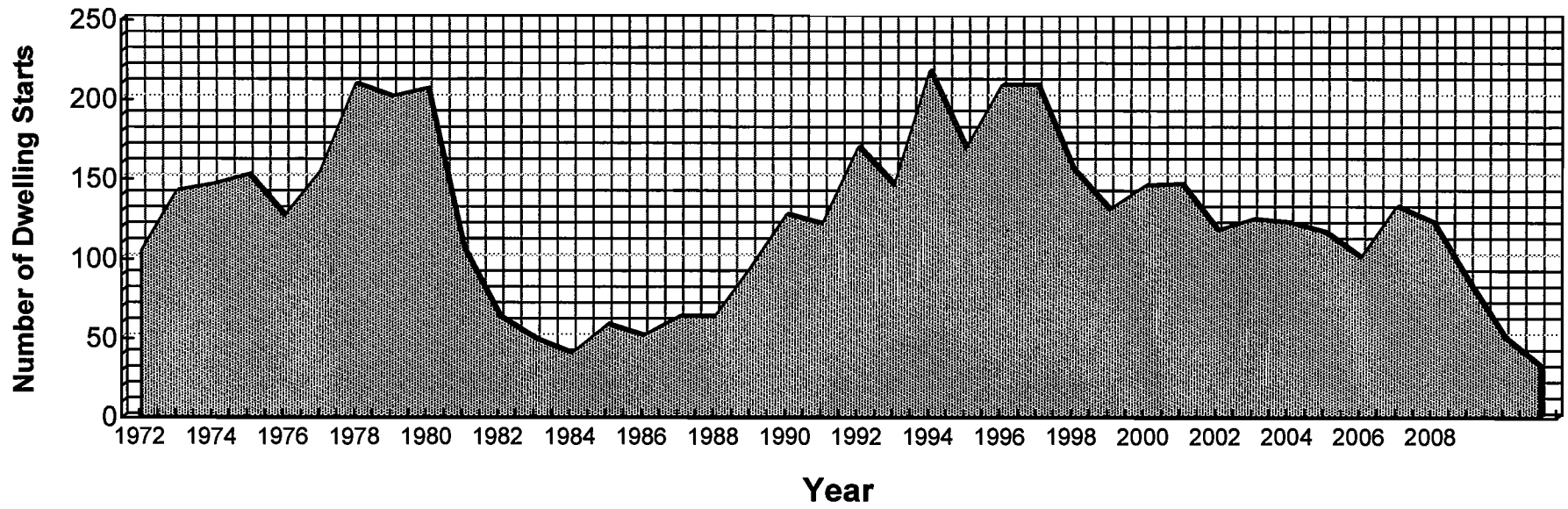
DWELLING STARTS 1970 - 2009
OGLE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED



Ogle County Planning Preference Survey

1. Which one term would you select to describe Ogle County, as you want to see it, 25 years from now?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Rural, agricultural community	31.2%	87
Residential community	2.5%	7
Mixed agricultural/residential	**55.9%**	**156**
Mixed residential/business	10.4%	29
	answered question	**279**
	skipped question	**6**

2. Between 1990 and 2007, Ogle County's population increased from 45,957 to 55,167 (est.), an increase of 20.0%. Would you like to see Ogle County's population:

	Response Percent	Response Count
Continue to increase at its present rate	31.9%	90
Increase at a slower rate	24.5%	69
Increase at a faster rate	3.2%	9
Stabilize	**35.8%**	**101**
Decrease	4.6%	13
	answered question	**282**
	skipped question	**3**

3. Should development be encouraged or discouraged in Ogle County?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Encouraged		**47.1%**	**132**
Allowed by not encouraged		33.6%	94
Discouraged		16.8%	47
No opinion		2.5%	7
	answered question		**280**
	skipped question		**5**

4. If you believe Ogle County should grow/develop, what kind(s) of growth/development would you like to see? (Choose any or all that apply)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Single family residential	64.0%	169
Multi-family residential	13.3%	35
Rural residential	36.7%	97
Condominiums	11.0%	29
Hobby farms	42.0%	111
Family farms	**75.8%**	**200**
Large corporate farms	7.6%	20
Tourist-related business	51.1%	135
Office-type business	39.4%	104
Convenience stores and services	32.2%	85
Large retail outlets/centers	31.1%	82
Light industry	70.8%	187
Heavy industry	25.0%	66
	answered question	**264**
	skipped question	**21**

5. Do you agree or disagree that preservation of farmland in Ogle County is important?		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		**62.9%**	**175**
Agree		24.8%	69
Neutral		5.0%	14
Disagree		5.4%	15
Strongly disagree		1.8%	5
	answered question		**278**
	skipped question		**7**

6. Do you agree or disagree that Ogle County government should set agricultural land preservation as a priority goal and implement policies to achieve it?		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		**50.5%**	**140**
Agree		26.0%	72
Neutral		11.6%	32
Disagree		7.9%	22
Strongly disagree		4.0%	11
	answered question		**277**
	skipped question		**8**

7. The current lot size for building a house in the County agricultural zoning district is forty (40) acres. This standard should be:

	Response Percent	Response Count
Maintained	**53.1%**	**147**
Eliminated	9.0%	25
Decreased	31.4%	87
Increased	6.5%	18
If your answer was "Increased", increased to what acreage?		23
answered question		**277**
skipped question		**8**

8. In your opinion, is the continued existence of Ogle County's remaining family farms important to the County's future?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Very important	**76.3%**	**212**
Somewhat important	18.0%	50
Not important	5.0%	14
No opinion	0.7%	2
answered question		**278**
skipped question		**7**

9. Where should new housing development be located in Ogle County?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Urban areas	**48.2%**	**132**
Rural areas	1.5%	4
Both urban and rural areas	37.6%	103
Disfavor new housing	12.8%	35
	answered question	**274**
	skipped question	**11**

10. What types of housing should be provided in urban areas? (Choose any or all that apply)		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Single family	**87.6%**	**240**
Duplexes	46.4%	127
Multi-family	34.3%	94
Mobile home parks	2.6%	7
Condominiums	38.7%	106
Senior housing complexes	56.6%	155
Retirement home complexes	51.5%	141
Low-moderate income housing	24.8%	68
Disfavor new housing	8.4%	23
	answered question	**274**
	skipped question	**11**

11. Other than farm residences, what types of housing should be provided in rural areas? (Choose any or all that apply)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Single family	**67.2%**	**182**
Duplexes	6.6%	18
Multi-family	4.4%	12
Mobile home parks	2.6%	7
Condominiums	5.5%	15
Senior housing complexes	12.5%	34
Retirement home complexes	14.8%	40
Low-moderate income housing	5.5%	15
Disfavor non-farm housing in rural areas	28.8%	78
	answered question	**271**
	skipped question	**14**

12. What should be the minimum lot size requirement for rural land which is not considered to be prime (Class I or II) farmland?

	Response Percent	Response Count
One dwelling unit per acre	**26.9%**	**72**
One dwelling unit per 2-3 acres	23.5%	63
One dwelling unit per 5 acres	20.5%	55
One dwelling unit per 10 acres	6.7%	18
One dwelling unit per 20 acres	3.7%	10
One dwelling unit per 40 acres	18.7%	50
	answered question	**268**
	skipped question	**17**

13. Would you agree or disagree with the County guiding new residential development through use of conservation/open space/cluster subdivisions? These subdivisions may permit smaller lots on suitable portions of affected land parcels, but then preserve open space on the remainder of such parcels.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree	15.6%	42
Agree	**31.9%**	**86**
Neutral	19.3%	52
Disagree	15.2%	41
Strongly disagree	18.1%	49
	answered question	**270**
	skipped question	**15**

14. Do you agree or disagree that there is a shortage of affordable housing in Ogle County?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree	8.5%	23
Agree	21.0%	57
Neutral	25.7%	70
Disagree	**32.4%**	**88**
Strongly disagree	12.5%	34
	answered question	**272**
	skipped question	**13**

15. Do you agree or disagree that there is a shortage of housing for senior citizens in Ogle County?		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		10.7%	29
Agree		33.8%	92
Neutral		**36.0%**	**98**
Disagree		15.1%	41
Strongly disagree		4.4%	12
		answered question	**272**
		skipped question	**13**

16. Should commercial and industrial development be encouraged or discouraged in Ogle County?		Response Percent	Response Count
Encouraged		**63.9%**	**172**
Allowed by not encouraged		25.7%	69
Discouraged		8.6%	23
No opinion		1.9%	5
		answered question	**269**
		skipped question	**16**

17. If you feel that commercial and industrial development should be either encouraged or allowed in Ogle County, what type of business growth would you like to occur? (Choose any or all that apply) NOTE: IF YOU ANSWERED "DISCOURAGED" OR "NO OPINION" TO QUESTION 1 ABOVE, PLEASE SKIP TO QUESTION 3 BELOW.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Services	61.7%	153
Office parks	41.9%	104
Shopping centers	37.5%	93
Other retail	41.5%	103
Light industry	**82.3%**	**204**
Heavy industry	33.1%	82
Agricultural related	64.9%	161
No preference	8.1%	20
	answered question	**248**
	skipped question	**37**

18. Should business be concentrated in a few areas or dispersed throughout the County?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Concentrated	**47.4%**	**127**
Dispersed	43.3%	116
No opinion	9.3%	25
	answered question	**268**
	skipped question	**17**

19. If you feel that businesses should be concentrated in a few areas of Ogle County, where should the concentration(s) occur? NOTE: IF YOU ANSWERED "DISPERSED" OR "NO OPINION" TO QUESTION 3 ABOVE, PLEASE SKIP THIS QUESTION.

		Response Percent	Response Count
In currently zoned commercial and industrial areas		**35.5%**	**50**
In cities and villages		25.5%	36
Where public sewer service is available		18.4%	26
Near or adjacent to existing development		14.2%	20
They can be concentrated in any location		6.4%	9
	answered question		**141**
	skipped question		**144**

20. Should Ogle County actively pursue the protection of any of the following? (Choose any or all that apply)			
		Response Percent	**Response Count**
Woodlands		74.9%	197
Steep slopes		37.6%	99
Floodplains		54.8%	144
Unique geologic features		66.2%	174
Wetlands		65.0%	171
Open spaces		52.5%	138
Significant groundwater recharge areas, which replenish well water		69.2%	182
Endangered species habitat		53.6%	141
Park land, existing and future		71.9%	189
Historic sites		**78.7%**	**207**
None, the County should not pursue the protection of any of these		8.0%	21
		answered question	**263**
		skipped question	**22**

21. Which one of the following best describes your opinion on the issues of domestic (household) sewage disposal in rural areas of Ogle County?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Each property owner should install and maintain their own septic system	**50.6%**	**132**
Large-scale septic systems serving multiple homes should be allowed to address this issue	7.3%	19
Residents should connect to municipal sanitary sewer systems if nearby and available	29.9%	78
Non-sewered development should not be allowed	12.3%	32
	answered question	**261**
	skipped question	**24**

22. To address future development, Ogle County's existing zoning ordinance - which governs unincorporated areas, but not cities and villages - should be:

	Response Percent	Response Count
Completely re-done	15.0%	38
Slightly revised	24.0%	61
Maintained as is	19.7%	50
Eliminated	3.9%	10
No opinion	5.9%	15
Not familiar with the ordinance	**31.5%**	**80**
	answered question	**254**
	skipped question	**31**

23. Should the requirements and enforcement of the following existing County ordinances be more strict, relaxed, maintained as is, or eliminated?

	More strict	Relaxed	Maintained as is	Eliminated	Response Count
Zoning	35.6% (85)	20.9% (50)	**38.9% (93)**	4.6% (11)	239
Land subdivision control	**49.8% (119)**	14.6% (35)	31.8% (76)	3.8% (9)	239
Sanitation (septic system/sewage disposal)	37.9% (89)	9.8% (23)	**50.2% (118)**	2.1% (5)	235
				answered question	**243**
				skipped question	**42**

24. Do you agree or disagree that the use of private land should be based on owner' preferences rather than being restricted by zoning?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree		16.0%	41
Agree		15.6%	40
Neutral		18.8%	48
Disagree		**27.7%**	**71**
Strongly disagree		21.9%	56
		answered question	**256**
		skipped question	**29**

25. Do you agree or disagree that local units of government have the responsibility to protect property owners and the community by regulating land use?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree	25.4%	65
Agree	**46.9%**	**120**
Neutral	12.9%	33
Disagree	9.8%	25
Strongly disagree	5.1%	13
	answered question	**256**
	skipped question	**29**

26. Do you agree or disagree that the use of zoning regulations are beneficial?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree	31.0%	79
Agree	**47.5%**	**121**
Neutral	14.5%	37
Disagree	3.5%	9
Strongly disagree	3.5%	9
	answered question	**255**
	skipped question	**30**

27. How satisfied are you with Ogle County as to quality of life?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Completely satisfied		19.8%	50
Satisfied		**56.9%**	**144**
Neutral		14.6%	37
Dissatisfied		5.5%	14
Completely dissatisfied		3.2%	8
		answered question	**253**
		skipped question	**32**

28. What effect has the population increase had on the quality of life in Ogle County?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Very positive		3.1%	8
Positive		**36.6%**	**93**
No effect		21.7%	55
Negative		23.2%	59
Very negative		5.5%	14
No opinion		9.8%	25
		answered question	**254**
		skipped question	**31**

29. A variety of local characteristics influence a person's choice of where to live. How important is each of the following in influencing your decision to live, locate or invest in Ogle County?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not So Important	Not At All Important	Response Count
Educational system	**73.9% (187)**	18.6% (47)	3.2% (8)	4.3% (11)	253
Employment opportunities	**58.2% (146)**	31.1% (78)	7.6% (19)	3.2% (8)	251
Friendly communities	**62.5% (157)**	32.3% (81)	4.0% (10)	1.2% (3)	251
Good place to raise a family	**79.8% (201)**	17.1% (43)	0.8% (2)	2.4% (6)	252
Government services	22.9% (58)	**53.0% (134)**	18.6% (47)	5.5% (14)	253
Historic features	20.3% (51)	**35.1% (88)**	33.9% (85)	10.8% (27)	251
Rock River	25.4% (64)	**33.7% (85)**	29.4% (74)	11.5% (29)	252
Low crime rate	**72.6% (183)**	24.2% (61)	2.8% (7)	0.4% (1)	252
Natural environment	**53.8% (136)**	34.0% (86)	9.9% (25)	2.4% (6)	253
Pace of life	38.4% (96)	**46.4% (116)**	12.8% (32)	2.4% (6)	250
Proximity to family	31.9% (80)	**40.6% (102)**	20.7% (52)	6.8% (17)	251
Proximity to Chicagoland	8.8% (22)	24.8% (62)	30.8% (77)	**35.6% (89)**	250
Recreational opportunities	19.1% (48)	**55.8% (140)**	19.5% (49)	5.6% (14)	251
Rural atmosphere	**53.2% (133)**	37.2% (93)	8.4% (21)	1.2% (3)	250
Suitable residence found	44.8% (112)	**47.2% (118)**	6.4% (16)	1.6% (4)	250
Utilities available	34.8% (87)	**50.0% (125)**	12.8% (32)	2.4% (6)	250
				answered question	**253**
				skipped question	**32**

30. Please rate the following qualities of Ogle County (1=Very Poor and 5=Very Good)							
	1	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**Rating Average**	**Response Count**
Quality of Environment	4.4% (11)	7.6% (19)	18.7% (47)	**41.0% (103)**	28.3% (71)	3.81	251
Recreational Opportunities (exercise, arts, sports, etc.)	4.8% (12)	13.1% (33)	28.3% (71)	**37.8% (95)**	15.9% (40)	3.47	251
Educational Opportunities	5.6% (14)	13.1% (33)	25.9% (65)	**41.8% (105)**	13.5% (34)	3.45	251
Access to Goods and Services	10.0% (25)	20.3% (51)	**33.9% (85)**	32.3% (81)	3.6% (9)	2.99	251
Economic Opportunities	13.9% (35)	25.1% (63)	**37.8% (95)**	20.3% (51)	2.8% (7)	2.73	251
	answered question						**252**
	skipped question						**33**

31. Please rate the following public services provide in Ogle County (1=Very Poor and 5=Very Good)							
	1	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**Rating Average**	**Response Count**
Fire Protection	5.2% (13)	6.4% (16)	19.1% (48)	32.7% (82)	**36.7% (92)**	3.89	251
School Facilities	4.7% (12)	8.7% (22)	21.7% (55)	**41.1% (104)**	23.7% (60)	3.70	253
County Government Facilities	4.0% (10)	12.7% (32)	29.8% (75)	**35.7% (90)**	17.9% (45)	3.51	252
Public Recreational Lands	4.0% (10)	5.6% (14)	25.4% (64)	**39.7% (100)**	25.4% (64)	3.77	252
Medical Services Availability	5.6% (14)	16.3% (41)	**38.9% (98)**	29.8% (75)	9.5% (24)	3.21	252
Libraries	6.7% (17)	13.1% (33)	29.8% (75)	**32.1% (81)**	18.3% (46)	3.42	252
Law Enforcement	6.7% (17)	9.1% (23)	25.3% (64)	**37.5% (95)**	21.3% (54)	3.58	253
Maintenance/Condition of Roads	9.9% (25)	17.5% (44)	**36.5% (92)**	30.6% (77)	5.6% (14)	3.04	252
Garbage/Recycling	7.5% (19)	12.3% (31)	**33.2% (84)**	**33.2% (84)**	13.8% (35)	3.34	253
Adult Education Opportunities	7.6% (19)	18.0% (45)	**45.6% (114)**	22.4% (56)	6.4% (16)	3.02	250
	answered question						**253**
	skipped question						**32**

32. Identify three aspects of Ogle County that you value the most:		
	Response Percent	Response Count
One	**100.0%**	**197**
Two	93.9%	185
Three	79.2%	156
	answered question	**197**
	skipped question	**88**

33. List problems or concerns you may have relative to Ogle County:		
	Response Percent	Response Count
One	**100.0%**	**193**
Two	88.6%	171
Three	72.5%	140
Four	49.2%	95
Five	34.2%	66
Six	22.3%	43
	answered question	**193**
	skipped question	**92**

34. In what township do you reside?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Brookville	0.4%	1
Buffalo	1.2%	3
Byron	**17.9%**	**45**
Dement	0.8%	2
Eagle Point	0.4%	1
Flagg	11.6%	29
Forreston	2.0%	5
Grand Detour	0.0%	0
Lafayette	0.0%	0
Leaf River	1.2%	3
Lincoln	2.0%	5
Lynnville	0.0%	0
Marion	11.2%	28
Maryland	0.4%	1
Monroe	3.6%	9
Mt. Morris	7.2%	18
Oregon-Nashua	17.1%	43
Pine Creek	1.6%	4
Pine Rock	8.0%	20
Rockvale	5.2%	13
Scott	3.2%	8
Taylor	1.2%	3
White Rock	2.0%	5
Woosung	0.0%	0

I do not reside in Ogle County.		2.0%	5
		answered question	**251**
		skipped question	**34**

Identify three aspects of Ogle County that you value the most:

Respondents	Response Date	One	Two	Three
1	06/22/2009	openess	family	cleanliness
2	07/01/2009	Quality of life	Natural beauty/parks	lower cost of living
3	07/01/2009	historical sites, parks	relaxing pace	proximity to rockford, sterling, freeport, etc.
4	07/02/2009	rural character	parks and recreation lands	good local government
5	07/15/2009	Rural Community	Freindly People	Multiple Churches
6	07/24/2009	natural beauty	proximity to Chicago & Rockford	overall quality of life
7	07/24/2009	Small towns	Good schools	Good place to raise family
8	07/25/2009	rural atmosphere	parks, city and state	rock river
9	07/25/2009	safety	schools	proximity to larger cities (DeKalb, Rockford, Chicago)
10	07/27/2009	Safe neighborhoods	quiet neighborhoods	nearby parks
11	07/27/2009	location		
12	07/27/2009	Agricultural base	Good schools	Controlled development
13	07/27/2009	Rural Lifestyle	Cost of Living	Rochelle School Districts
14	07/27/2009	Little traffic	Clean air	Close to shopping
15	07/28/2009	Small towns and rural agriculture	good schools	close to Freeport, Dixon, Rockford
16	07/28/2009	Rural nature	Type of people living in the county	Employees of county and city which serves me
17	07/28/2009	Quality of Life	Scenic Beauty	Friendly People
18	07/28/2009	Rural atmosphere but still close to major cities	two interstates	Near college that kids can commute
19	07/28/2009	natural environment	my job	circle of friends
20	07/28/2009	keeping roads free of ice & snow.		
21	07/29/2009	Rural atmosphere		
22	07/29/2009	Rural	Close proximity to a larger community (shopping)	Geographic beauty
23	07/29/2009	atmosphere	friendliness	protected grounds
24	07/29/2009	Great Parks & Scenic Area	Great place to raise a family	Close to metro areas
25	07/30/2009	Rural environment	low traffic / congestion	quality of environment
26	07/30/2009	rual atmosphere	low taxes	goods / services availability
27	07/30/2009	Rural, mostly ag	Good Schools	economically affordable
28	07/30/2009	Rural atmosphere.	Friendly, hard working people.	Exelent air quality.
29	07/30/2009	Country Living		
30	07/30/2009	Small communities	Good school systems	family close by
31	07/31/2009	Small community lifestyle	Rock river	Proximity to Rockford
32	07/31/2009	rural setting	popluations size	country feel with moral/ low crime
33	07/31/2009	Rural atmosphere	parks and recreation	river
34	07/31/2009	law-enforcement	local government	education
35	07/31/2009	quality of life	scenic beauty	proximity to major markets/airports
36	07/31/2009	Quality of Life	Safe environment	Public Serves
37	07/31/2009	rural atmosphere	natural habitat preservation	education and services
38	07/31/2009	low crime	rural	parks
39	08/01/2009	rural setting	recreational	low taxes
40	08/01/2009	rural	ecology - preservation of native lands	parks
41	08/01/2009	Rural living	Good schools	Fire/EMS protection
42	08/01/2009	low crime rate	good educational services	friendly community
43	08/01/2009	rural atmosphere	good place to raise a family	affordable housing (used to be better)
44	08/01/2009	Open spaces and farmland - rural atmosphere	Wooded and wildlife areas	Rural atmosphere
45	08/01/2009	rural atmosphere	wonderful nighbors	good access to county government
46	08/02/2009	Farmland	Quality of Life	Economic Opportunity
47	08/02/2009	Rural lifestyle	Safe community	Clean air, water, and soil
48	08/03/2009	Trees	Country	Friends
49	08/03/2009	rural living	people	community
50	08/03/2009	Quality of Life		
51	08/05/2009	type of people living here	property values	I-39
52	08/05/2009	Quality Of Life	Proximity to transportation	
53	08/08/2009	Rural Living	Proximity to more populated areas	
54	08/08/2009	recreational sites	low crime rates	
55	08/08/2009	Close Proximity to Rockford		
56	08/08/2009	Small towns with abilities to have conviences close to home		
57	08/08/2009	Agricultural	Schools	Open Spaces
58	08/10/2009	quality of life	natural beauty of the land	
59	08/11/2009	Rural atmosphere	open spaces	somewhat family friendly
60	08/11/2009	scenic beauty of land	quality of life	
61	08/12/2009	good place to raise a family	safe (compared to other places)	relatively good school system
62	08/12/2009	Low crime rate		
63	08/12/2009	rural atmosphere		

64	08/13/2009	Peaceful living	low crime rate	good place to raise family
65	08/14/2009	close to rockford/belvidere	good schools	low crime rate
66	08/14/2009	rock river	scenery	life style
67	08/14/2009	Rural life		
68	08/16/2009	rural environment	open space	
69	08/17/2009	the people	scenic beauty, especially Rock River	overall life quality
70	08/18/2009	Friendly people	Rock River	Overall life quality
71	08/19/2009	Landscape	Quality of environment	Rock River Valley
72	08/19/2009	Small town living	Rural settings	Park systms
73	08/20/2009	Rural Lifestyle	Public Lands	Rock River
74	08/20/2009	land	people	
75	08/21/2009	rural agriculture	natural woodlands	limited population
76	08/22/2009	rural atmosphere	rolling unspoiled natural areas	hunting opportunities
77	08/22/2009	rural way of life	privacy	natural beauty
78	08/24/2009	Close to work	Rural areas	
79	08/25/2009	Rock River	Topography	Quiet
80	08/27/2009	Rural living	open spaces	Planning & Zoning
81	08/27/2009	rural area	Sheriff police (rural area)	good rural roads
82	08/27/2009	Peace and quiet	No development	Agriculture
83	08/27/2009	Beauty	Rural atmosphere	
84	08/30/2009	Rural	Agricultural	Ability to run home based businesses
85	08/31/2009	people are it's best resource. many volunteers	goverment run by local people	beautiful state parks, recreation and farmland
86	08/31/2009	Natural areas	Recreational opportunities	Rural Atmosphere
87	09/01/2009	farm lands	friendly people	small towns
88	09/01/2009	Size allows access to services, service providers; reps	Access to hwy system; proximity to Chicagoland	
89	09/01/2009	Good Schools	Small Towns	Rural Setting
90	09/02/2009	Recreation	Education	Community
91	09/02/2009	Small towns	Lots of parks	Great schools Byron
92	09/02/2009	close to my family	beautiful area	rural atmosphere
93	09/03/2009	location	rural	quality of services
94	09/04/2009	good neighbors	safety	peaceful rural surroundings
95	09/04/2009	Quality of Life	Natural beauty of landscape	
96	09/07/2009	rural atmosphere	good place for kids	nice people
97	09/07/2009	small town environment/housing not packed close	clean air	farmland
98	09/07/2009	School District	Crime rate	
99	09/08/2009	Peace and Quiet	Good friends and family	Good education for our child
100	09/09/2009	pace of life	rural setting	safty
101	09/11/2009	quality oflife		
102	09/17/2009	interest in area's youth is positive	Historical and park sites	Natural landscapes and open spaces
103	09/17/2009	Schools and the opportunities for our children	sense of community	Rural setting with access to urban services and life
104	09/17/2009	Natural Characteristics	Low crime rate	Fair tax structure
105	09/17/2009	home	employment	shopping
106	09/17/2009	the people	open space	great schools
107	09/17/2009	rural community	good school district	
108	09/17/2009	Good schools	Good Neighbors	Peaceful residential area
109	09/17/2009	Education system	Police/Fire protection	Controlled growth
110	09/17/2009	Caring community	Close to my work	Easier to maintain
111	09/17/2009	Minimal traffic congestion	Rock River	Small town, country Feel
112	09/18/2009	Quality of lifestyle	Proximity to larger services but still removed from them	Peaceful, economic lifestyle.
113	09/18/2009	State Parks	Country Living	
114	09/20/2009	friendly, small town atmosphere	beautiful countryside	feels like home, even though I was born and raised in Dixon
115	09/20/2009	Rural Setting	Pace of life	
116	09/20/2009	Varied topography, Rock River, State Parks	Educational fagilities	Mostly rural environment
117	09/21/2009	Rural atmosphere with large open space	Peaceful, and undeveloped natural habitat	Quality of people and sense of community
118	09/21/2009	Extended family lives here	Rural/small community lifestyle	Low crime rate
119	09/21/2009	small town living	rural atmosphere	commute to large city
120	09/21/2009	Rural community	Low crime rate	Good school districts
121	09/21/2009	Small community	Accepable level of shopping	education
122	09/21/2009	Still mostly rural and agricultural	Low crime rate	All towns have medical clinics
123	09/21/2009	Rural lifestyle	Good Schools	
124	09/23/2009	access to good quality farmland	access to agricultural support businesses	undeveloped areas
125	09/24/2009	Famiy	Community	Low Crime Rate
126	09/24/2009	rural	larger yards	space between homes
127	09/25/2009	Rural living	Good schools	Low crime rate
128	09/25/2009	Quality of Life	Scenic Beauty	I-39 & I-88
129	09/25/2009	agriculture	good schools	low crime rate
130	09/28/2009	sense of community	proximity to Rockford for services	natural beauty

131	09/29/2009	friendly police officers in mtmorris	roads are getting much better	gas stations
132	09/30/2009	Rural Setting	Not much industrial pollution	Water w/ Rock River and Private lake
133	10/01/2009	Quality of life	Scenic beauty (especially Rock River)	Location relative to Chicago & Rockford
134	10/03/2009	Rural life	less development	potential for conservation/open space-recreation
135	10/03/2009	beauty of the region	independant, family farmers - not factory the farmers who are encroaching	independant merchants
136	10/03/2009	Beauty	Clean	Schools
137	10/03/2009	Natural Areas and parks preserved and available	Community involvment/ AOParade Energy Fair	Progressive Juvenile Justice Policies and Prevention
138	10/03/2009	Natural areas	Rural atmosphere	clean air and water in most places
139	10/06/2009	Rural Community	Proximity to Rockford - Jobs	Small - Midsized Communities
140	10/11/2009	Rock River and State Parks	Oregon Park District	Family friendly
141	10/14/2009	Scenic beauty, especially Rock River	Quality of life	I-39 & I-88
142	10/15/2009	Natural beauty of land	Good people (mostly)	Quality of life
143	10/21/2009	Agriculture	Open Space	Low Crime
144	10/22/2009	Wide open spaces	Parks,preserves,etc.	
145	10/23/2009	I like the diversity of the county	safety	quality of life
146	10/26/2009	Low cost of living	Close proximity to Interstates	
147	10/26/2009	Rural, uncongested climate	Quality educational facilities	Safe and friendly community environment
148	10/27/2009	Scenic	Schools	location
149	10/28/2009	Low Crime.	Clean Environment.	Friendly Atmosphere.
150	10/28/2009	Open Space	Good Agricultural land	Small Communities with limited congestion
151	10/28/2009	Rural Environment	Proximity	
152	10/29/2009	low traffic	low crime rate	rural
153	10/29/2009	People	Quiet	View
154	10/29/2009	my sunsets and sunrises		
155	10/29/2009	agriculture	rural living	orderly growth
156	10/29/2009	Rural living	Dependable	Close to larger city
157	10/30/2009	Low traffic	Clean air and water	beautiful scenery and farmland
158	10/30/2009	ag communtiy	low crime	stability
159	10/31/2009	open farmland	large tracts of uninhabitated woodlands	relatively low population
160	11/02/2009	RURAL ATMOSPHERE	SAFETY	GOOD SCHOOLS
161	11/02/2009	maintain rural/community feeling	protect woodland as well as farmland	keep development near towns, less spot zoning
162	11/02/2009	family	rural setting	parks
163	11/03/2009	Rural Community	Developement in existing urban areas	Conservation of agriculture and woodland areas
164	11/03/2009	Keeping taxes low	bringing more businesses to the area	more updated computer/internet systems
165	11/04/2009	quality of life	scenic beauty	access (but not too close) to Rockford & Chicago
166	11/05/2009	The quiet rural setting	The close proximity to Chicago	The state parks
167	11/07/2009	rural life	ability to hunt and fish	tranquil, friendly area
168	11/08/2009	LOCAL AND COUNTY GOVERMENT	PERSERVATION OF FARMLAND	
169	11/09/2009	Rural settings	Slow pace	Great State Parks
170	11/11/2009	agricultural land	neighbors/community	low population density in rural areas
171	11/11/2009	open spaces	parks	people
172	11/12/2009	rural setting	quiet country enviroment	
173	11/15/2009	PARKS , RECREATION	FRIENDLY PEOPLE	
174	11/16/2009	non-urban setting	few restrictions in unincorporated areas	beauty...rivers, woods, plains, etc.
175	11/17/2009	pace of life	parks (state parks) and open rual areas	
176	11/17/2009	Sheriff's Office	Rock River	Quality of Life
177	11/18/2009	Friendly,small community atmosphere	Quiet slower pace than large communities	
178	11/21/2009	proximity to rckfrd and chicago	safe place to live	educational opportunities
179	11/24/2009	rural environment	proximity to family	security
180	11/24/2009	State Parks	Rural atmosphere	
181	11/24/2009	natural landscape	wildlife	Historical Preservation
182	11/24/2009	environment	low crime rate	
183	11/24/2009	rural atmosphere	rock river	
184	11/24/2009	rural	small town atsmosphere	
185	11/24/2009	Forest and Woodland areas	Parks and Bike Paths	Outdoor Activities
186	11/24/2009	rural quiet atmosphere	friendliness of people	beauty, historic sites
187	11/25/2009	The rural environment	The friendly people	The low crime rate
188	11/26/2009	None	None	None
189	11/26/2009	small towns	rural	state parks
190	11/26/2009	quiet areas	small towns	state parks
191	11/26/2009	Safe neighborhoods	walking paths in natural settings	low traffic
192	11/26/2009	Rock River	Natural and public lands	Wooded rural atmosphere
193	11/27/2009	Quiet rural atmosphere	Very friendly populace	close to all major city economics
194	11/27/2009	Three State Parks	Rock River	Oregon Park District
195	11/28/2009	Lack of traffic	Quiet, rural area	Proximity to Rockford, Chicago, Milwaukee
196	11/29/2009	friendly	access to basic needs (grocery, DR. ETc.)	
197	11/30/2009	scenic beauty	farm land	friendlyness

List problems or concerns you may have relative to Ogle County:

Respondents	Response Date	One
1	06/22/2009	low income properties on main roads
2	07/01/2009	Poor planning in incorporated cities
3	07/01/2009	"dollar" stores decrease quality of life
4	07/02/2009	prime farmland being changed to residential and industrial use
5	07/15/2009	Taxes To High
6	07/24/2009	Poor condition of roads/infrastructure
7	07/25/2009	County Board
8	07/25/2009	chicago moving this way
9	07/25/2009	Government services
10	07/27/2009	road conditions, esp. Rte. 2
11	07/27/2009	School funding
12	07/27/2009	Need more businesses & people to thrive
13	07/27/2009	Planned Growth Only
14	07/27/2009	High Real Estate Taxes
15	07/28/2009	county chair thinks he's king - not public servant
16	07/28/2009	Housing development in rural areas without sewer
17	07/28/2009	Employment Opportunities
18	07/28/2009	No public transportation to Chicago or Rockford.
19	07/28/2009	land use is going to housing
20	07/28/2009	No decent paying jobs.
21	07/29/2009	County board admits they can't agree
22	07/29/2009	Not enough affordable housing
23	07/29/2009	low availablity of jobs
24	07/29/2009	Real Estate Taxes are way too high
25	07/30/2009	Uncontrolled development
26	07/30/2009	uncontrolled urban developement
27	07/30/2009	Potential for outside investors to develop where not needed
28	07/30/2009	Rampant population growth of Byron.
29	07/30/2009	businesses closing
30	07/30/2009	Poor winter maintenance of county roads.
31	07/31/2009	Overpopulation will crowd infastructure
32	07/31/2009	the growth direction
33	07/31/2009	sharp increase in real estate Tax
34	07/31/2009	wasting tax dollars by restoring the old court house
35	07/31/2009	Cost controls
36	07/31/2009	random building in rural places
37	07/31/2009	too much growth
38	08/01/2009	too many sub divisions popping up on farm land
39	08/01/2009	crime
40	08/01/2009	Sub divisions that are more than 50 houses
41	08/01/2009	subdivision w/imbeded commercial sprawl
42	08/01/2009	Too many subdivisions in the country
43	08/01/2009	rising taxes
44	08/02/2009	Uncontrolled Growth
45	08/02/2009	Doesn't enforce their own zoining ordinances
46	08/03/2009	Needs someone to push Economic Development

47	08/03/2009	roads
48	08/05/2009	lack of law enforcement in unincorporated areas--NO prevention practiced
49	08/08/2009	Property Taxes Makes Homes Much Less Affordable
50	08/08/2009	not enough industry
51	08/08/2009	Lack of Industry throughout the County
52	08/08/2009	Lack of employement opportunites so children often do not return to Ogle County
53	08/08/2009	Employement opportunities
54	08/10/2009	nothing serious
55	08/11/2009	property taxes are too high
56	08/12/2009	tax increases
57	08/12/2009	Political zoning decsions based on who you know not what is in the best interest of the property owner
58	08/12/2009	Not enough industry
59	08/13/2009	need more retail
60	08/14/2009	have to go to rockford to shop
61	08/14/2009	current financial management of county government
62	08/14/2009	Dysfunctional County Board
63	08/16/2009	jobs
64	08/17/2009	county spends recklessly (i.e. payoff to contractor)
65	08/19/2009	Financial problems of county government
66	08/19/2009	Four wheelers in the rural areas
67	08/20/2009	Rural Subdivisions
68	08/20/2009	tax to high
69	08/21/2009	suburban sprawl
70	08/22/2009	zoning not uniformly applies
71	08/22/2009	zoning needs to be more strict and evenly enforced
72	08/24/2009	real estate taxes and over assessments
73	08/25/2009	Poorly maintained roads
74	08/27/2009	zoning
75	08/27/2009	Development of light manufacturing
76	08/27/2009	High Taxes
77	08/27/2009	Development
78	08/27/2009	Job opportunities
79	08/30/2009	Ineffective Law Enforcement
80	08/31/2009	limited diversity of jobs available
81	08/31/2009	subdivison development
82	09/01/2009	Poor law enforcement
83	09/01/2009	lack of jobs
84	09/01/2009	Property taxes
85	09/01/2009	Lack of Jobs
86	09/02/2009	Job Opportunities
87	09/02/2009	No 24 hr ER in Byron (I have small children)
88	09/02/2009	my company is moving to Florida
89	09/03/2009	illegal immigrants..no dls, no ins, no regstristration
90	09/04/2009	industrialized ag (CAFOs) too close to residences
91	09/07/2009	quality of and safety of equipment at playgrounds
92	09/07/2009	roads; snow/ice removal
93	09/08/2009	Not enough law enforcement in the county.
94	09/09/2009	lack of afforable housing
95	09/11/2009	current county budgetary problems
96	09/17/2009	age and experience of County Board members

97	09/17/2009	Nuclear plant/dependence on nuclear plant for our economy
98	09/17/2009	Weak County Government
99	09/17/2009	county spending
100	09/17/2009	to many new homes
101	09/17/2009	high property taxes/assessments
102	09/17/2009	Lack of retail services
103	09/17/2009	Zoning regulations
104	09/17/2009	No enforcing the zoning codes and giving out permits that DO NOT meet the requirements. This do not protect our tax payers
105	09/17/2009	Limited industrial base
106	09/17/2009	Special Education Concerns
107	09/17/2009	More transportation choices
108	09/18/2009	Lack of a "wealthy" population hampers community
109	09/18/2009	No regulation to protect property owners against nuisance neighbors
110	09/18/2009	road surfaces
111	09/18/2009	Hospital Locations
112	09/20/2009	solving any problem (like lack of shopping) stands the potential to negate the small town atmosphere, so I have to say "none."
113	09/20/2009	Crime rate increasing
114	09/20/2009	EPA's approach to livestock and agriculture
115	09/21/2009	Road Conditions poor and not propertly maintained
116	09/21/2009	Limited employment options
117	09/21/2009	Lower income subdivisions w/increasing crime in DJ
118	09/21/2009	SPending by government
119	09/21/2009	County Board allowing subdivisions in rural areas
120	09/21/2009	County Board - needs to be redistricted
121	09/23/2009	influx of undesirable people
122	09/24/2009	Politics/"Old boys network"
123	09/24/2009	Lack of trust with Ogle County authorities (employee)A employee should not have the power to override ZBA & allowed to get a
124	09/25/2009	Too much residential growth
125	09/25/2009	Poor leadership of County Board
126	09/25/2009	residential growth to fast
127	09/28/2009	Chicago garbage
128	09/29/2009	lack of patrol in mt.morris
129	09/30/2009	Lack of salt and road maintenance in winter
130	10/01/2009	Financial mismanagement (current budget crisis)
131	10/03/2009	Future direction concerning development increase
132	10/03/2009	increase in welfare recipient residents
133	10/03/2009	Building huge homes that are not selling
134	10/03/2009	allowing development to benefit to the developer
135	10/06/2009	Availability of Jobs in the surrounding area not incl Rochelle
136	10/11/2009	job availability
137	10/14/2009	Shortage of jobs
138	10/15/2009	Financial management of county government (bad)
139	10/21/2009	Too much Government intervention
140	10/22/2009	Condition of roads
141	10/23/2009	rising taxes
142	10/26/2009	Extremely limited shopping/commercial
143	10/26/2009	Wind farm development
144	10/27/2009	High taxes
145	10/28/2009	Turn into a police state with too much concern on DUI's
146	10/28/2009	Sprall of subdivisions into rural areas

147	10/28/2009	Local Politics- Cities and Villages
148	10/29/2009	property tax inequities
149	10/29/2009	NIMPA's Eagle View Wind Project NO Please NO
150	10/29/2009	wind farms location and taxes to county from them
151	10/29/2009	needs manufacturing jobs
152	10/29/2009	county board needs to be reevaluated
153	10/29/2009	City moving to county
154	10/30/2009	Negative effects of urban sprawl on the east side of the county
155	10/30/2009	increased random subdivision placement
156	10/31/2009	subdivisions sprouting up in rural areas instead of next to municipality
157	11/02/2009	A DESIRE TO BE THE LANDFILL CAPITOL OF IL
158	11/02/2009	need to protect woodland as well as farmland
159	11/03/2009	Developement outside of urban areas
160	11/03/2009	Taxes go up
161	11/04/2009	condition of IL Rt 2 South of Byron
162	11/05/2009	Industrial Wind Turbines
163	11/07/2009	subdivisions
164	11/08/2009	ALLOWING WINDMILL FARMS IN
165	11/09/2009	Why do we need a County Administrator?
166	11/09/2009	Would be great to encourage more industry
167	11/11/2009	county board does not reflect the desire of the people
168	11/11/2009	lack of concern of county oddicials for violations
169	11/12/2009	Four wheeler on roads
170	11/15/2009	BACKWARD THINKING
171	11/16/2009	number of "urban" problems arising..GANGS in Rochelle!??
172	11/17/2009	quality of Rte. 2 (state road)
173	11/17/2009	Ogle County Board misuses and miss spends tax payer money.
174	11/18/2009	Increased traffic on State and County roads
175	11/19/2009	Over spending by the County Board on useless items
176	11/21/2009	too many negative (CAVE) people-citzns agin virtually evrthing
177	11/24/2009	school system
178	11/24/2009	Rise in crime
179	11/24/2009	unfriendly and clanish
180	11/24/2009	quality employment opportunities
181	11/24/2009	senior affordable housing
182	11/24/2009	no retail
183	11/24/2009	Pollution to the Rock River
184	11/24/2009	law enforcement
185	11/25/2009	having to drive 30 miles to large hospital
186	11/26/2009	None
187	11/26/2009	zoning
188	11/26/2009	Diminishing law enforcement
189	11/27/2009	Constant debt load the county board imposes
190	11/27/2009	Lack of businesses
191	11/28/2009	losing farm lands to development
192	11/29/2009	population changes/growth
193	11/30/2009	IDOTs interference with the highways thru county

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1	06/22/2009	
2	07/01/2009	Need for recreation trail system
3	07/01/2009	random subdivisions create problems both in them and in the city proper
4	07/02/2009	residential growth with lack of good jobs
5	07/15/2009	Growth pushing west from Chicago Suburbs
6	07/24/2009	Development pressures from Rockford and Chicagoland
7	07/25/2009	County Goverment
8	07/25/2009	need bigger library, Oregon
9	07/25/2009	Access to public recreation
10	07/27/2009	local law enforcement (favoritism of certain families)
11	07/27/2009	Property tax
12	07/27/2009	Schools need to raise the bar for college prep focus
13	07/27/2009	Protect the Farming Business-Animal/Grain
14	07/27/2009	Excessive spending by governing bodies
15	07/28/2009	underfunded libraries
16	07/28/2009	No attempt to make this a bike friendly county
17	07/28/2009	Easy access to sufficient retail
18	07/28/2009	
19	07/28/2009	lack of artistic and cultural activities
20	07/28/2009	Since there are no jobs, children leave to other areas
21	07/29/2009	Lack of representation when needed
22	07/29/2009	Lack of grocery stores
23	07/29/2009	decreased shopping choices
24	07/29/2009	Real Estate Taxes may not allow me to stay in area
25	07/30/2009	Lack infrastructure for development
26	07/30/2009	stand alone subdivisions
27	07/30/2009	Property Tax increase without Power Plant funding
28	07/30/2009	Rising crime rate.
29	07/30/2009	unable to govern propety conditions
30	07/30/2009	
31	07/31/2009	Adopt strickter standards by which developers must adhere
32	07/31/2009	disappearing of farm land
33	07/31/2009	Assessment of properties higher than actual value
34	07/31/2009	county board believing rochelle is more important than the west side of the county
35	07/31/2009	County Government
36	07/31/2009	no path system for bikers and hikers although the scenery is inspiring
37	07/31/2009	family farms being turned into housing developments
38	08/01/2009	too easy for land developers to do what they want
39	08/01/2009	elected officials not representing the voters
40	08/01/2009	Unfair taxing area's Exelon base should be spread out
41	08/01/2009	lack of concern for the people who already live here & their needs
42	08/01/2009	Failure to enforce one house per 40 acres
43	08/01/2009	rural subdivisions
44	08/02/2009	Development in Rural Areas
45	08/02/2009	County Board doesn't understand Comprehensive plan
46	08/03/2009	Infrastructure in cities not amenable to new business

47	08/03/2009	losing farm land
48	08/05/2009	lack of zoning enforcement in unincorporated areas
49	08/08/2009	
50	08/08/2009	not enough shopping
51	08/08/2009	Overregualtion by all governments bodies
52	08/08/2009	Property Tax rates are climbing quickly
53	08/08/2009	Poor river development
54	08/10/2009	
55	08/11/2009	property assessments are too high
56	08/12/2009	fear of government increase in life
57	08/12/2009	Keeping services in the county as is if not decreasing the amount of services offered.
58	08/12/2009	Not enough stores
59	08/13/2009	not enough recreation
60	08/14/2009	limited housing
61	08/14/2009	
62	08/14/2009	Waste of tax payers money
63	08/16/2009	high cost of living
64	08/17/2009	
65	08/19/2009	
66	08/19/2009	Zoning changes for rural homes
67	08/20/2009	Too manyTaxing Bodies
68	08/20/2009	to many people getting free-bees
69	08/21/2009	illegal immigrants
70	08/22/2009	zoning requests depend on who you are and who you know
71	08/22/2009	realtors have too much influence
72	08/24/2009	Byron and Oregons need for retail development
73	08/25/2009	Taxes
74	08/27/2009	
75	08/27/2009	Housing devlelopments be contiguios to towns
76	08/27/2009	High Taxes
77	08/27/2009	Loss of farm land to development
78	08/27/2009	high real estate tax
79	08/30/2009	Corrupt County Government
80	08/31/2009	available technology lagging behind large urban areas
81	08/31/2009	loss of farmland
82	09/01/2009	Lack of democracy
83	09/01/2009	no utility competition
84	09/01/2009	School districting; let's study a county system
85	09/01/2009	Rural Residential Development
86	09/02/2009	Shopping - groceries, basics
87	09/02/2009	No 24 hr pharmacy in Byron
88	09/02/2009	lack of jobs
89	09/03/2009	illegal drug distribution / gangs
90	09/04/2009	Truck traffic from Rochelle HUB using country roads
91	09/07/2009	safety of school children on buses/no seatbelts
92	09/07/2009	variety of retail stores
93	09/08/2009	Villages in the county without their own police.
94	09/09/2009	lack of small business and light industry
95	09/11/2009	
96	09/17/2009	law enforcement budget

97	09/17/2009	Lack of auto safety on Rte. 2 due to roads and adequate road safety measures/plan of action
98	09/17/2009	Proliferation of guns
99	09/17/2009	not much employment
100	09/17/2009	local police write to many tickets(byron)
101	09/17/2009	
102	09/17/2009	Lack of businesses and light industry
103	09/17/2009	
104	09/17/2009	
105	09/17/2009	Limited high paying job opportunities
106	09/17/2009	Special Education Services
107	09/17/2009	Lower Taxes
108	09/18/2009	projects and social endeavors who depend on public
109	09/18/2009	No ordinance enforcement
110	09/18/2009	
111	09/18/2009	Main Road Access to Major Cities
112	09/20/2009	
113	09/20/2009	Sub Divisions popping up willie nillie-no planning
114	09/20/2009	Time and expense involved with zoning and permits
115	09/21/2009	Concerned with quality of education in our school district and not hiring most qualified candidates
116	09/21/2009	
117	09/21/2009	Large DJ subdivisions causing overcrowding in SV schools
118	09/21/2009	unresponive government
119	09/21/2009	County Board spending and new buildings that cannot afford to maintain
120	09/21/2009	County Board - reduce the numbers of members
121	09/23/2009	government regulation
122	09/24/2009	Low government support
123	09/24/2009	Lack of protective ordinances, even when Ogle County employee makes mistakes & WON'T try to
124	09/25/2009	
125	09/25/2009	County's financial position
126	09/25/2009	taxes maybe geting to high
127	09/28/2009	uncontrolled residential growth in rural areas
128	09/29/2009	CITY OF MTMORRIS TAKES FOREVER TO PICK UP ROADSIDE BRUSHES,tree limbs etc...
129	09/30/2009	don't see much police presence in rural areas
130	10/01/2009	Condition of Rt 2
131	10/03/2009	More residential house being built in the country
132	10/03/2009	increase in urban home owners - those from the suburbs or Chicagoland area
133	10/03/2009	Deterioration of older homes
134	10/03/2009	while harming neighbors
135	10/06/2009	Availability of Public Transportation - i.e. Busing
136	10/11/2009	excessive spending by County
137	10/14/2009	County budget woes
138	10/15/2009	Cost of county government, especially law enforcement
139	10/21/2009	Too much special interest
140	10/22/2009	Plowing snow on Rural roads
141	10/23/2009	loss of freedom
142	10/26/2009	No weekend activities (except minor Park Dist. events)
143	10/26/2009	Poor contracts with resendential developers
144	10/27/2009	High taxes again
145	10/28/2009	Not enough geo-thermal, wind, or solar energy envisioned.
146	10/28/2009	Higher land values and farm rent due to the above

147	10/28/2009	Degrading Quality of life
148	10/29/2009	high property taxes
149	10/29/2009	
150	10/29/2009	
151	10/29/2009	need to support livestock growth
152	10/29/2009	less wanton to be a suburb
153	10/29/2009	Sufficient educational value
154	10/30/2009	increasing negative attitude toward animal agriculture
155	10/30/2009	increased developer influence on county board decisions
156	10/31/2009	road conditions could use improvement
157	11/02/2009	
158	11/02/2009	less spot zoning
159	11/03/2009	Appropriate use of taxpayer funds
160	11/03/2009	Lack of dinning places
161	11/04/2009	fiscal mismanagement of county
162	11/05/2009	The smell from the two mega dumps
163	11/07/2009	increasing population
164	11/08/2009	SCATTERED SUBDIVISIONS IN RURAL AREAS
165	11/09/2009	Why didn't taxpayers have chance to elect the Administrator?
166	11/09/2009	Need a variety of retail available
167	11/11/2009	excessive amount of landfills/truck traffic
168	11/11/2009	mishandling of "tip" funds for courthouse!
169	11/12/2009	subdivisions outside city limits
170	11/15/2009	ZONING OVERLY RESTRICTIVE
171	11/16/2009	condition of some roads (many of which are STATE roads)
172	11/17/2009	Ogle County is not a large tourist area, quit spending money to attract tourist to buildings that no
173	11/17/2009	Why are we spending so much money to refurbish the courthouse?
174	11/18/2009	Increasing crime
175	11/19/2009	Not funding the Sheriff's Office properly
176	11/21/2009	don't really have that many
177	11/24/2009	library
178	11/24/2009	Loss of county law enforcement officers
179	11/24/2009	lack of jobs
180	11/24/2009	awareness of need for college education
181	11/24/2009	high property taxes
182	11/24/2009	need bike paths
183	11/24/2009	Fish Kill in the Rock River
184	11/24/2009	job opportunities
185	11/25/2009	lack of senior assisted living condos
186	11/26/2009	None
187	11/26/2009	
188	11/26/2009	Rampant housing growth in rural areas
189	11/27/2009	tax's should be reduced along w/ home value
190	11/27/2009	Health Assitance
191	11/28/2009	
192	11/29/2009	Pop changes bringing negative elements, (crime, vandlism)
193	11/30/2009	County Board should not hire someone to do their job

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1	06/22/2009	
2	07/01/2009	
3	07/01/2009	
4	07/02/2009	tax abatements/incentives given to developers
5	07/15/2009	Keeping unwanted commercial development out
6	07/24/2009	
7	07/25/2009	
8	07/25/2009	landowners should be informed before cellphone towers built, too late for me!
9	07/25/2009	property taxes
10	07/27/2009	
11	07/27/2009	Property tax
12	07/27/2009	Need high speed internet options in rural areas
13	07/27/2009	Need all county cohesiveness and planning
14	07/27/2009	People in local government should be replaced often
15	07/28/2009	lack of mental health professionals
16	07/28/2009	No formal conservation program at any level of govt.
17	07/28/2009	
18	07/28/2009	
19	07/28/2009	poor restaurants
20	07/28/2009	Must drive far in order to find good shops
21	07/29/2009	
22	07/29/2009	"Good old boy" system in most communities
23	07/29/2009	
24	07/29/2009	Some roads are in bad need of repair in the county
25	07/30/2009	Lack of public hunting and fishing opportunities
26	07/30/2009	lack of commercial tax base
27	07/30/2009	Lack of retail commerce: Have to travel to Rockford
28	07/30/2009	School systems that do not teach traditional values.
29	07/30/2009	not alot of decent housing for low income families
30	07/30/2009	
31	07/31/2009	Preserving Rock River water front
32	07/31/2009	too many rural subdivisions
33	07/31/2009	Jobs
34	07/31/2009	court system needs to be over hauled / judges never seem to be at work always gone or day off
35	07/31/2009	Roads
36	07/31/2009	poor information system and coordination of parks (see Winnebago Counties' great maps and pro
37	07/31/2009	county board always voting in groups
38	08/01/2009	
39	08/01/2009	elected officials allow developers to disproportionately impact their decisions
40	08/01/2009	Homes built in flood plains
41	08/01/2009	high property taxes for unwanted park district building
42	08/01/2009	Encroachment of city people who do not understand rural life
43	08/01/2009	lack of tax producing industries
44	08/02/2009	Lack of Municipal Planning
45	08/02/2009	County Board doesn't enforce Comprehensive plan
46	08/03/2009	County Board is too large

47	08/03/2009	urban growth
48	08/05/2009	absolutely out of control property taxes, and very spotty assessments issued
49	08/08/2009	
50	08/08/2009	growing too fast without a plan especially where related to education
51	08/08/2009	Low quality of educational instruction
52	08/08/2009	Too much government involvement in personal lives
53	08/08/2009	Road Maintenance
54	08/10/2009	
55	08/11/2009	have to leave the county to buy a pair of decent shoes
56	08/12/2009	not enough retail
57	08/12/2009	
58	08/12/2009	
59	08/13/2009	too many unsewered communities
60	08/14/2009	limited jobs
61	08/14/2009	
62	08/14/2009	County road maint. in the winter
63	08/16/2009	
64	08/17/2009	
65	08/19/2009	
66	08/19/2009	Litter in the counrty side 9ditches)
67	08/20/2009	Lack of medical facilities
68	08/20/2009	county spending money like drunkin salor
69	08/21/2009	inconsistent zoning rules
70	08/22/2009	deep pocketed developers get their way with zoning
71	08/22/2009	county board needs to call a truce
72	08/24/2009	Roads
73	08/25/2009	No building codes
74	08/27/2009	
75	08/27/2009	Transportation (puplic) be studied
76	08/27/2009	More High Taxes
77	08/27/2009	Politics on the County Board that allows 1 and 2
78	08/27/2009	
79	08/30/2009	Corrupt Sheriff's Department
80	08/31/2009	feeling forgotten in terms of job growth
81	08/31/2009	loss of natural areas
82	09/01/2009	One party dominance in politics
83	09/01/2009	not enough attention to seniors
84	09/01/2009	Seeming division of the county by the river
85	09/01/2009	Resistance to change
86	09/02/2009	
87	09/02/2009	No ethic resturants in Byron
88	09/02/2009	
89	09/03/2009	protection of ground water/flood protection
90	09/04/2009	Ogle Co. Board omnipotent/selective use of rules
91	09/07/2009	need of convenient locations of grocery stores and big brand stores for elderly
92	09/07/2009	increase of apartment buildings
93	09/08/2009	Too many miles and too few deputies.
94	09/09/2009	higher taxes every year
95	09/11/2009	
96	09/17/2009	Ogle County Board is dismissive of their app. committees

97	09/17/2009	Lack of racial diversity/implied racism aimed at Rockford
98	09/17/2009	Noise pollution from auto and motorcycle racing
99	09/17/2009	not being able to have volenteer deputies
100	09/17/2009	local business dying
101	09/17/2009	
102	09/17/2009	lack of political clout
103	09/17/2009	
104	09/17/2009	
105	09/17/2009	Minimal access to healthcare providers
106	09/17/2009	The lack of neighborhoods
107	09/17/2009	Small Businesses closing
108	09/18/2009	contributions.
109	09/18/2009	Zoning board is very weak. Can not enforce the code.
110	09/18/2009	
111	09/18/2009	More choices in Schools (where you can attend)
112	09/20/2009	
113	09/20/2009	
114	09/20/2009	County and municipal budgets and taxes
115	09/21/2009	Conservative minded and racial individuals residing in the County
116	09/21/2009	
117	09/21/2009	
118	09/21/2009	taxes
119	09/21/2009	Depending on tourism instead of industry for income
120	09/21/2009	Ogle County Zoning - inadequate zoning rules
121	09/23/2009	to many zoning regulations
122	09/24/2009	Poor employment opportunities
123	09/24/2009	system failed to follow rules & allowed mistakes to harm homeowners
124	09/25/2009	
125	09/25/2009	
126	09/25/2009	ag land disapearing
127	09/28/2009	existing roads not effectively handling increased traffic
128	09/29/2009	mt.morris needs more jobs
129	09/30/2009	no natural gas in rural areas
130	10/01/2009	
131	10/03/2009	Conservation/open space is not a priority
132	10/03/2009	lack of cooperation between those in power - there has been no real direction for YEARS!
133	10/03/2009	Byron Schools opting out of the Cooperative
134	10/03/2009	allowing waste of resources (ex: water)
135	10/06/2009	Availability of Assisted Living for Not Elderly
136	10/11/2009	academic standards at Oregon Schools
137	10/14/2009	
138	10/15/2009	
139	10/21/2009	Need better Hospital facilities
140	10/22/2009	Assisted living for seniors
141	10/23/2009	lack of job opportunities - especially for youth
142	10/26/2009	Residential Flooding
143	10/26/2009	City of Rochelle dictating County policy
144	10/27/2009	hard to build/zoning
145	10/28/2009	Not enough care about the quality of environment and farmland.
146	10/28/2009	

147	10/28/2009	
148	10/29/2009	no building code
149	10/29/2009	
150	10/29/2009	
151	10/29/2009	needs to stop indiscriminate growth
152	10/29/2009	
153	10/29/2009	Outside area dumping
154	10/30/2009	reliance on taxes from Exelon to maintain roads and services
155	10/30/2009	not enough businesses to maintain low tax rate
156	10/31/2009	land values out of proportion to use due development pressures in rural areas because of rezonin
157	11/02/2009	
158	11/02/2009	look at the rv ordiance a land owner should not have to pay to utilize a rv on their own property
159	11/03/2009	Ability to keep and atract new business
160	11/03/2009	Lack of shopping places
161	11/04/2009	pollution of Rock River
162	11/05/2009	The truck traffic from the intermodal facility
163	11/07/2009	crime
164	11/08/2009	
165	11/09/2009	Why isn't the Sheriff's Department doing more to trim its Budget?
166	11/09/2009	More low income housing
167	11/11/2009	continued approval of scattered subdivisions by county
168	11/11/2009	inept people on county board!
169	11/12/2009	increase of public aid/low income families
170	11/15/2009	NOT GOING AFTER NEW BUSINESS'S
171	11/16/2009	that we'll become a Rockford "satellite" and its problems will seep in here
172	11/17/2009	To much money is spent on new buildings and structures, not on services to the tax payers.
173	11/17/2009	Why are they laying off employees yet are spending at least 7 million dollars on courthouse?
174	11/18/2009	Loss of farmland
175	11/19/2009	
176	11/21/2009	
177	11/24/2009	roads
178	11/24/2009	
179	11/24/2009	no retail to speak of
180	11/24/2009	2-lane road safety
181	11/24/2009	
182	11/24/2009	need to attract tourism
183	11/24/2009	Water being contaminated
184	11/24/2009	
185	11/25/2009	crumbling roads
186	11/26/2009	None
187	11/26/2009	
188	11/26/2009	Inability of the county to work effectively in partnership with communities toward a common goal
189	11/27/2009	No new government Bldgs until current ones are payed off
190	11/27/2009	Help for Senior Citizens
191	11/28/2009	
192	11/29/2009	
193	11/30/2009	farmland disapearing