

**MEDINA TOWNSHIP  
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2012**

The Medina Township Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee met in Regular Session on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012. Chairman Ostmann called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Ostmann called for a roll of all members. All members were present. Also present were Kirby Date, AICP and the general public.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mrs. Ruppelli moved to approve the minutes as written. Mrs. Szunyog seconded the motion. The vote was all in the affirmative. There were no nays or abstentions.

**Survey**

Mr. Ostmann asked the committee members if they reviewed the survey that was presented to them. There was discussion about the survey and it was thought that the survey was too long and the type too small. Also, there was too much put into one survey. The committee will rethink what should go in the survey. The Trustees will pay for a survey.

**Kirby Date, AICP**

Kirby Date, AICP, is a professional planner from Cleveland State University Community Planning Program. The Ohio Balanced Growth Program gives Township's the benefit of using Kirby Date's services for 24 hours free. She will give us the information needed to request her services.

Mr. Ostmann asked Ms. Date if she thought a survey was a good idea and she said it is a good way to see how the residents want their community to evolve. Mrs. Hirsch feels surveys are costly, time consuming and you may only get a 20% return of the surveys. Mr. Baach asked how you know you are getting a statistically random sampling of the people. Ms. Date said to have community meetings so residents can share their opinion. If the residents don't return the survey or attend the meetings at least you have done the best you could to reach them. The Township has a Comprehensive Plan that was created in 1984 and updated in 2002. There is also a draft Comprehensive Plan from the 2008 Steering Committee. Ms. Date suggested a minimum of 5 steps necessary to update the Comprehensive Plan.

1. Assess the existing conditions and project trends. The 2010 census and a survey will help you to update the draft of the plan you have.
2. Hold a community meeting at which you put out the information and the assessments of what the assets of the township are, unique to the areas. Ask for the residents feedback such as what are the important issues, etc.

3. Committee meets again and combines all the information from the survey and residents suggestions and drafts a set of recommendations for the future. Use recommendations you already have as a starting point.
4. Have a second community meeting and present the recommendations compiled.
5. Finalize the plan by using the information you received at the second community meeting and use the resident's recommendations and make any changes you feel are necessary. You then have the option of holding a third community meeting. If you demonstrated that you've done a survey, held two meetings, updated the existing conditions information and adjusted it to meet the interests of the community, based on what the community discussed in those meetings, you have then made that good faith effort.

Mr. Ostmann said the public was not included in the previous draft.

Mr. Baach asked if the surrounding communities should be asked what their future plans are for their communities and was told the Trustees should contact the other communities and get that information.

Mrs. Szunyog asked, if by following the steps to show a good faith effort has been done, will that allow the plan to stand on its own. In other words, if somebody disputes what the plan is you can then say, we have done everything we are supposed to do correctly.

Ms. Date said yes, any policy change you make, whether you change it or not, you will have a stronger document.

Mr. Ostmann asked if they should use the draft document that has already been done and Ms. Date said yes, but you should build on that document and expand to add the interests of the community.

There was more discussion regarding a questionnaire (survey) and also the committee requested getting the maps that were part of the draft comprehensive plan.

Mr. Jarrett said if the Steering Committee recommends seeking a professional to assist in the questionnaire they are to forward it to the Trustees. He agrees that a professional is best to guide the Steering Committee with the general suggestions and keep it down to a 2 page survey.

Mr. Ostmann said that since the Trustees are going to be the last to vote on the comprehensive plan a questionnaire should be done first.

#### **Request to Hire Kirby Date**

Mrs. Szunyog moved that we hire a consultant to assist us in this process, initially to create a questionnaire and to do the projection. Mr. Sevougian seconded the motion. The vote was in the affirmative. There were no nays or abstentions

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Mrs. Szunyog moved to ask the Trustees to write a letter that would result in Kirby donating her 24 hours of services to the Ohio Balanced Growth Program to write an RFP to review the Comprehensive Plan and to write an RFP to hire a consultant to help us with the projections and the questionnaire. Mr. Traynor seconded the motion. The vote was in the affirmative. There were no nays or abstentions.

Ms. Date said she will draft an RFP and send it to the committee as soon as she can. The committee then needs to review it. The secretary will give the committee notice of the meeting 48 hours before and then again 24 hours before. Mr. Ostmann asked that all members inform Celia, Township Secretary if they are unable to attend the meeting.

**Date of Next Meeting**

The Committee will hold their next meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

**Homework**

Mr. Ostmann said to go over the draft of the comprehensive plan and be ready to ask questions and make comments.

Ms. Date asked if as a group are they representative of the community and if they feel there is a voice that is missing they should include that person on the committee. Mr. West was on the last committee and he felt it was a good group.

Robin Gray spoke about hydraulic fracturing and is concerned that there will be an influx of people coming in to do the work as there is in North Dakota. Certain committee members indicated that, unlike N. Dakota, there is sufficient housing available in our region to accommodate any workers that come to our area.

**Public Comment**

Mrs. Gardner said Gail (Sommers) is a planner.

Don Kuenzer said the problem in North Dakota is population density. Most of the people are farmers and that is why there are outsiders working there.

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Mr. Ostmann moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Traynor seconded the motion. Mr. Ostmann asked for a vote of the Committee. The vote was all in the affirmative there were no nays or abstentions.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.



William Ostmann, Chairman



William West, Vice-Chairman

# Medina County

## Population For Cities, Villages, and Townships: 2010, 2000, and 1990

Name	2010		2000		1990	
	Population	Households	Population	Households	Population	Households
<b>Medina County</b>	<b>172,332</b>	<b>65,143</b>	<b>151,095</b>	<b>54,542</b>	<b>122,354</b>	<b>41,792</b>
Brunswick city	34,255	12,967	33,388	11,883	28,230	9,032
Chippewa Lake village	711	311	823	331	---	---
Creston village (part)	99	48	35	16	---	---
Gloria Glens Park village	425	179	538	199	446	161
Lodi village	2,746	1,178	3,061	1,274	3,042	1,220
Medina city	26,678	10,382	25,139	9,467	19,231	7,102
Rittman city (part)	115	51	106	34	110	30
Seville village	2,296	917	2,160	808	1,810	633
Spencer village	753	283	747	285	726	246
Wadsworth city	21,567	8,609	18,437	7,276	15,718	6,037
Westfield Center village	1,115	450	1,054	401	784	289
Balance of Medina County	81,572	29,768	65,607	22,568	---	---
Brunswick city	34,255	12,967	33,388	11,883	28,230	9,032
Brunswick Hills township	9,898	3,707	5,469	1,924	4,328	1,442
Chatham township	2,265	820	2,158	739	1,799	575
Chippewa Lake village	711	311	---	---	---	---
Creston village (part)	92	47	---	---	---	---
Gloria Glens Park village	425	179	---	---	---	---
Granger township	4,445	1,601	3,928	1,387	2,932	1,021
Guilford township	3,203	1,173	---	---	---	---
Harrisville township	1,836	694	---	---	---	---
Hinckley township	7,646	2,753	6,753	2,330	5,845	1,915
Homer township	1,462	451	1,461	417	1,196	314
Lafayette township	5,580	2,031	---	---	---	---
Medina city (part)	4	1	---	---	---	---
Remainder of Lafayette township	5,576	2,030	---	---	---	---
Litchfield township	3,250	1,184	3,250	1,033	2,506	751
Liverpool township	5,127	1,851	4,329	1,441	3,713	1,156
Lodi village	2,746	1,178	---	---	---	---
Medina township	8,537	3,424	7,783	2,766	4,864	1,570
Medina city (part)	26,659	10,377	---	---	---	---
Montville township	11,185	3,906	5,410	1,873	3,371	1,073
Rittman city	115	51	---	---	---	---
Seville village (part)	2,296	917	---	---	---	---
Sharon township	5,111	1,823	4,244	1,517	3,234	1,140
Spencer village	753	283	---	---	---	---
Spencer township	1,942	647	---	---	---	---
Wadsworth city	21,567	8,609	18,437	7,276	---	---
Wadsworth township	4,191	1,502	3,996	1,355	---	---
Westfield township	2,482	919	4,172	1,492	3,394	1,164
Creston village (part)	7	1	35	16	---	---
Seville village (part)	0	0	---	---	---	---
Remainder of Westfield township	2,475	918	---	---	---	---
Westfield Center village	1,115	450	---	---	---	---
York township	3,438	1,288	2,912	986	2,479	806
Medina city (part)	15	4	---	---	---	---
Remainder of York township	3,423	1,284	---	---	---	---

\*--\* Denotes that entity did not exist as currently structured as of April 1, 2010, Census Day.  
Source: 2010 Census Summary File 1, U.S. Census Bureau.

Medina County  
2010 Census Population For Cities, Villages, and Townships



Name	Census Population			Percent Change 2000 to 2010	Percent Change 1990 to 2000
	2010	2000	1990		
Medina County	172,332	151,095	122,354	14.1%	23.5%
<u>Incorporated Places and Balance of County</u>					
Brunswick city	34,255	33,388	28,230	2.6%	18.3%
Chippewa Lake village	711	823	---	-13.6%	n.a.
Creston village (part)	99	35	---	182.9%	n.a.
Gloria Glens Park village	425	538	432	-21.0%	24.5%
Lodi village	2,746	3,061	3,042	-10.3%	0.6%
Medina city	26,678	25,139	19,231	6.1%	30.7%
Rittman city (part)	115	106	156	8.5%	-32.1%
Seville village	2,296	2,160	1,810	6.3%	19.3%
Spencer village	753	747	705	0.8%	6.0%
Wadsworth city	21,567	18,437	15,718	17.0%	17.3%
Westfield Center village	1,115	1,054	798	5.8%	32.1%
Balance of Medina County	81,572	65,607	51,279		
<u>Townships and Independent Cities</u>					
Brunswick city	34,255	33,388	28,230	2.6%	18.3%
Brunswick Hills township	9,898	5,469	4,328	81.0%	26.4%
Chatham township	2,265	2,158	1,783	5.0%	21.0%
Chippewa Lake village	711	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Creston Village township	92	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Gloria Glens Park village	425	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Granger township	4,445	3,928	2,932	13.2%	34.0%
Guilford township	3,203	5,447	4,773	-41.2%	14.1%
Harrisville township	1,836	4,914	4,821	-62.6%	1.9%
Hinckley township	7,646	6,753	5,845	13.2%	15.5%
Homer township	1,462	1,461	1,200	0.1%	21.8%
Lafayette township	5,580	5,476	4,820	1.9%	13.6%
Litchfield township	3,250	3,250	2,540	0.0%	28.0%
Liverpool township	5,127	4,329	3,713	18.4%	16.6%
Lodi village	2,746	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Medina township	8,537	7,783	4,864	9.7%	60.0%
Medina City township	26,659	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Montville township	11,185	5,410	3,371	106.7%	60.5%
Rittman city	115	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Seville Village township	2,296	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Sharon township	5,111	4,244	3,234	20.4%	31.2%
Spencer village	753	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
Spencer township	1,942	2,429	1,782	-20.0%	36.3%

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Name	Census Population			Percent Change 2000 to 2010	Percent Change 1990 to 2000
	2010	2000	1990		
Wadsworth city	21,567	18,437		17.0%	n.a.
Wadsworth township	4,191	3,996	19,093	4.9%	-79.1%
Westfield township	2,482	4,172	3,349	-40.5%	24.6%
Westfield Center village	1,115	---	---	n.a.	n.a.
York township	3,438	2,912	2,445	18.1%	19.1%

n.a. - Could not calculate. Division by zero.

\*...\* Denotes that entity did not exist as currently organized.

Note: For the 2000 and 1990 columns, the population may not sum to the county total because of changed jurisdictional structures.

Source: Census 2010, U.S. Census Bureau.

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