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TOWN OF GARFIELD, POLK COUNTY BEGINS COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING PROCESS

The Town of Garfield Plan Commission announces a “kick-off” meeting to be held on April 12, 2007 to give town residents the opportunity to learn more about the comprehensive planning process and to provide input about growth and other land use-related issues.

The Plan Commission proposes to develop a Comprehensive Plan to establish a common vision for what the Town will look like over the next 20 to 30 years. The Plan will provide guidance for a variety of issues that directly affect the quality of life of Town residents, including creating a sense of community, managing existing and new development, and providing public infrastructure and services. The community vision contained in the Comprehensive Plan will guide the decision-making process and help prioritize community values.

The Town of Garfield Plan Commission officially began the comprehensive planning process in January 2007. A “kick-off” meeting to encourage public participation will be held at the regularly scheduled Plan Commission meeting on Thursday, April 12 at 7:00 PM. Information will be provided about the comprehensive planning process. “The comprehensive planning process is an exciting opportunity for the landowners and residents of the Town of Garfield to provide their vision of what the Town will look like in the next 20 years”, said Orval Johnson, Plan Commission Chair.

Comprehensive planning will continue monthly at the Plan Commission meetings. Plan Commission meetings are usually scheduled for the second Thursday of every month at 7 :00 PM. All meetings will be held at the Town Hall located at 690 Minneapolis Street, (Wanderoos) Amery, WI. Town and area residents as well as other interested parties are welcome to attend the public meetings.

Information concerning the Comprehensive Plan will also be available on the Town of Garfield’s new website - www.townofgarfield.com For more information, contact Orval Johnson, Plan Commission Chair at 715.483.3406 or Suzanne Peeples, Stevens Engineers at 800.822.7670.

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