RESOLUTION 2009-5

VILLAGE OF ELLSWORTH, PIERCE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCEDURES FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Village of Ellsworth has decided to prepare a comprehensive plan under the authority of and procedures established by Sec. 66.1001 Wis. Stats; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 66.1001, Wis. Stats, requires that the governing body of the local governmental unit adopt written procedures designed to foster public participation at every stage of comprehensive plan preparation, and that such written procedures shall provide for wide distribution of draft plan materials, an opportunity for the public to submit written and oral comments on the plan materials, and a process for the governing body to respond to such comments; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Ellsworth believes that regular, meaningful public involvement in the comprehensive plan process is important to assure that the resulting plan meets the wished and expectations of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement for Professional Services between the Village and Cedar Corporation, a consulting firm, includes written procedures to foster public participation, ensure wide distribution of draft plan materials, provide opportunities for written comments on such materials, and provide mechanisms to respond to such comments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Ellsworth hereby adopts the written procedures included in the Public Participation Plan meeting the requirements of Sec. 66.1001, Wis. Stats. A copy of said procedure is attached as Exhibit A.

Adopted this 1^{st} day of June, 2009.

VILLAGE OF ELLSWORTH

Gerald DeWolfe, Village President

ATTEST:

Peggy Nélson, Village Clerk

EXHIBIT A

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

The following methods will be used, when practical, to foster public participation and input for the Village of Ellsworth Comprehensive Plan.

- Public Meetings: The public is invited to attend all Plan Commission meetings; the public will be allowed to ask questions during a designated time period at each meeting. Information and drafts of the Comprehensive Plan will be available for review during the public meeting and at the Village of Ellsworth Public Library.
- **Website:** The Village will use their website to post information and drafts of the Comprehensive Plan. A link will be provided for comments. The comments will be sent to the Village Clerk.
- Public Hearing: A public hearing is a legal requirement of the Comprehensive Planning Law. It allows residents to express their views and offer comments before adoption of the comprehensive plan.

The Village of Ellsworth is not limited to the public participation methods listed above and may engage in other methods not identified here as the planning process moves forward.