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Village of Slinger Visioning



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OVERVIEW

In order to obtain input from the community on a future direction for the Village of Slinger, a visioning session was held on April 23, 2015. Residents were notified of this session through an insert included with utility bills, e-mail to community stakeholders and a posting on the Village's website. Thirty-eight participants gained a greater understanding of census and demographic data for the Village, and then provided their insights and ideas regarding the Village's future growth and development. The agenda for this session is located in Appendix A.

Census demographic information and economic data were developed and presented by Matt Kures from the UW-Extension Center for Community Economic Development. This data is available in a separate report. After the data presentation, participants moved to tables for small group discussions. This process was facilitated by UW-Extension Washington County Community Development Educator Paul Roback.

COMMUNITY ASSETS & LIMITATIONS

Participants were divided into seven tables and were asked to identify community assets that the community needs to preserve and/or build upon and community limitations that should be proactively addressed because they may limit the community's potential for continued and future success. The notes from these table conversations can be found in Appendix B. The following are common themes identified from this process. In general, there was greater consensus on the community assets and less consensus on community limitations. The number in parenthesis indicates how many of the seven table groups indicated a similar community asset or limitation.

Assets include:

- Natural Resources- Parks, Lakes, Trails and Kettle Moraine (7)
- School System (6)
- Public Safety (6)
- Transportation Infrastructure- Roads and Railroads (5)
- Ski Hill & Race Track (5)

Limitations include:

- Lack of an Industrial Base / Space (3)
- Limited Job Growth, Opportunities and Workforce (3)
- Lack of Restaurants (3)
- Lack of a Community / Recreation Center (2)
- Lack of Walking Trails and Park Connections (2)
- Limited Retail Options (2)
- Parking Issues / Downtown Parking (2)

VISIONING ACTIVITY

Participants were asked to create their ideal vision for the Village of Slinger. This was accomplished through the use of a visioning postcard process. The responses from the 38 participant are located in

Appendix C. Common themes were identified. The number in parenthesis indicates how many participants made similar recommendations in their visioning postcards. Bullets include more specific individual comments.

Downtown (21)

- Uniform and pleasant looking
- Beautiful streetscape
- Additional retail and less taverns
- Vibrant
- Façade improvements
- Walkable
- Coffee shop
- Mom & pop style businesses
- New parking areas

Additional Restaurants (18)

- Chain- Starbucks, Mitchells Fish Market, Red Robin, Checkers, Olive Garden
- Micro-brewery
- Fine dining
- Locations- downtown, along HWY 60/175

Parks and Trails (15)

- Walking and biking trails
- Trails connecting to Pike Lake State Park and Village Parks
- New parks
- Walkway over HWY 41
- Tree-lined streets

Additional Retail (13)

- National retail- Costco, Meijer, Target, Walgreens
- Additional downtown retail
- Additional retail along HWY 60
- Restore and redevelop buildings

Community Center / Senior Center / Sports Complex (10)

- Used by civic groups, clubs, schools, community members
- Field house for athletics, gym
- Meeting rooms
- Rent for special event and parties

Hotel / Lodging (10)

- For visitors of ski hill and race track
- Country Inn & Suites, Hyatt

Industrial Park (10)

- HWY 60 near HWY 41
- Stage 1 & 2 companies

Schools (7)

- Remain great!
- Performing Arts Center

New Library (6)

- New
- Located downtown
- Study Rooms

Residential (4)

- Creating a living and working environment
- Mix of housing options- starter homes, middle income homes, apartments and condos
- New subdivisions- connected to other areas, separate from industrial area

POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

- 1) Village Board and Staff review visioning session results, economic/census data and Community Economic Development Preparedness Index results.
- 2) Village Board discusses and reviews visioning session information and provides feedback.
- 3) Determine if additional public input is desired. If yes, options may include a community-wide survey or a targeted focus group.
- 4) Identify appropriate group/committee to develop a strategy to move forward with

APPENDIX A: VISIONING SESSION AGENDA

Slinger Visioning Process Outline

April 23, 2015 ~ 6-8PM

Slinger High School Cafeteria

Agenda

- 6:00 Welcome & Introductions
- 6:15 Process overview
- 6:20 Economic & Census Data
- 7:00 Brainstorming in small groups
 - 1- Community Assets- What are our strengths as a community that we need to preserve and/or build upon?
 - 2- Community Limitations- What should be proactively addressed because it limits our community's potential for continued and future success?
- 7:20 Large Group Sharing
- 7:30 Visioning Exercise
- 7:55 Next Steps & Evaluation
- 8:00 Conclude

Discussion Guidelines:

- All ideas are welcome
- Be respectful
- Balance advocacy with openness
- Monitor your own input
- Be succinct

Times are approximate and are intended to keep the process moving forward. They may be adjusted slightly based on discussions during the process.

APPENDIX B: TABLE CONVERSATIONS

Assets and Limitations

Group 1

Assets

- Schools
- Real Estate
- Roads
- Parks
- Ems/Public Safety
- Medical
- Transportation infrastructure
- Tourism
- Ski Hill
- Race Track
- Lakes
- Local Business
- Civic Groups

Limitations

- Industrial Spaces
- Stage 2 Businesses
- Business Appeal
- Workforce
- Recreation/Community Spaces
- Village's Economic Vision

Group 2

Assets

- School District - education
- Kettle Moraine area – trails, wildlife
- Lakes
- Fishing, hunting
- Family oriented
- Easy access to other communities
- St. Vincent de Paul

Liabilities

- Not a destination (Cedarburg)
- Ugly Downtown
- Bedroom Community “Railroad Town”
- Does not draw “lake people”/“invisible line”

Limitations

- Environmental challenges
- People don't care

- Parking issues
- Lack of interest by the community

Ideas

- Name: “The Old Center of Slinger” R. B.!!
- Replace existing, non-desirable or closed businesses with new “suitors”/businesses
- Move tractor displays out and replace with true assets
- Museums, Civic Center, Language School

Group 3

Assets

- School
- Highways/Railroads
- Safety
- Recreational-parks, race track, ski hill
- Services
- Retail – limited to essentials
- Population
- Utilities
- Accessibility for pedestrian
- Religious choices

Limitations

- Job opportunities
- Limited retail
- Land for small businesses
- Lodging
- Tourism/destination
- Train/Speedway noise
- Lack of affordable housing
- Appearance – lack of polish (Hwy 60 &175)

Group 4

Assets

- Library
- Recreation Department
- Churches
- Ski Hill
- Race Track
- Close knit community
- Police Force
- Green Space
- Location
- Housing Authority
- # of Assisted Living

Liabilities

- Job Growth
- Industry
- Starbucks
- Bike Trails
- Large Retail
- Competition
- Entertainment
- Recreation/Community Center
- Roads
- Cable choice
- Land owners
- Lack of walking paths/trails

Group 5

Assets

- Access to transportation (Hwy 41 & 60, 45, 164)
- K – 12
- Quality of Life
- Kettle Moraine
- Low crime
- Police Force
- Community Involvement
- Civic Groups
- Parks & Recreation, Natural Resources
- Location relative to Milwaukee, Menomonee Falls
- Speedway, Ski Hill

Limitations

- Restaurants
- Micro-Brewery
- Identity, Sense of place broken up
- Bedroom Community
- Location – Competition with surrounding towns

Group 6

Assets

- 41 & 60 Location
- Kettle Moraine
- School System
- Park system
- Building sites available – residential
- Slinger Speedway
- Ski Hill
- Near-by recreation
- Low crime rate
- High work ethic

- Close to big city
- Rail service

Limitations

- Close to big city
- No business attraction
- No Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown
- Rail service

Group 7

Assets

- Safe
- School system
- Police/Fire
- Parks
- Hwy system
- Start of diversified businesses

Limitations

- Parks – linked to larger
- No Industrial base
- No Industrial parks
- Too many condos
- Too many large apartments
- No single person apartments
- Need small start/end homes
- Need nice restaurants
- Better traffic patterns for some areas (American Eagle Drive)
- Open storefronts
- Main street parking
- Senior Center
- Motel

APPENDIX C: VISIONING POSTCARD RESPONSES

Scenario

After moving away, you return back to the Village of Slinger 10 years later. You have been living in a foreign country and have had very little contact with friends and family in Slinger. Upon your return, you are amazed by the changes that have undergone in the community as a result of the efforts of the Village Board and community members.

Assignment

Using the present tense, fill out the postcard below and tell your friends in the foreign country you left about all the wonderful things (for example- businesses, community facilities, streetscape, housing...)

that you have discovered in Slinger that have resulted from the efforts of the Village Board and community members.

Underline the three changes that have occurred in the Village of Slinger which you think are the most important.

Please write legibly. If needed, feel free to use the reverse side. Postcard worksheets will be collected and compiled for future use.

Responses

Card #1

- Expansion of retail centers to include a COSTCO, Meijer's, and even unique shops and craft boutiques
- Truly enjoyed the great new restaurants of Mitchells Fish Market, Red Robin & Cheddars
- Recreational activities to include walking/biking trails connecting the entire Slinger Park System and Pike Lake State Park, and the walking bridge over Hwy 41 was special during my morning walks to the wooded conservatory on the east side
- A new high school with expanded sports complex, an additional elementary school or converted middle school.
- The new system is well thought through to handle the expanding student base with new subdivisions.
- I noticed new subdivisions off Hwy 175 to St. Lawrence, end of American Eagle and new homes along 175 south of Slinger.
- Downtown was very exciting with new recreation facilities w/engage boys and girls clubs, and the library even has moved downtown.
- I especially enjoyed the music amphitheater built into the hillside where the old church was.
- Senior centers also downtown to create population diversity.

Card #2

- I returned to my old town of Slinger and was pleasantly surprised to see some improvements.
- The downtown area has revitalized with small businesses and a few nicer restaurants.
- It now has a uniformed, pleasant looking appearance.
- There has also been some newer lodging built to allow for overnight stays by visitors.
- Just a little south of Hwy 60 an industrial park area has been developed with easy access to Hwy 60 & 41
- I was glad to see improvements made to my home town.

Card #3

- It's great to be back in Slinger after all these years.
- The new expanded library is awesome! So many study rooms and areas for programming.
- The 4 chain restaurants are an added bonus – all great for family dining.
- Slinger still has that small town feel and the community/recreation building was busy with activities.
- See you soon!

Card #4

- Hello Friends!
- I have arrived back home to many changes.

- After several decades, we now have a hotel again.
- Also, one of the main intersections Hwy 60/175 finally got developed.
- They put in a community center, a sit down restaurant, and a Starbucks there.
- I heard, but have not seen the walking paths & bike paths, which we really needed.
- Finally, the village and surrounding towns are agreeing and Slinger annexed land to develop an industrial park.

Card #5

- I've just returned home to Slinger. There are so many changes.
- There is a new shopping center and a wonderful hotel where many skiers are staying.
- I've hiked the new hiking trail.
- The new library is just beautiful.
- We also have some new parks.
- I am most pleased to see these improvements.

Card #6

- Dear Friends- I am so excited to be back home and experiencing the wonderful community atmosphere.
- There are several small restaurants and service businesses in the redeveloped, mixed use downtown area.
- We have a beautiful community space that is utilized by the village, schools, civic groups and activity groups and clubs.
- It has meeting space, gym space, and green space.
- It is so exciting to see several different demographics utilizing and enjoying this facility.
- It is great to see how much the apprenticeship and technical arts education opportunities have continued to grow and benefit the local businesses and developing workforce.
- The schools continue to be an exceptional asset of our community.
- I love the activities and festivals in the parks.
- The main Hwy intersections are full of businesses and updated street-scape and beautification.

Card #7

- The downtown area of Slinger is totally transformed with hotel & restaurant, a museum with good parking.
- It also has a historical center there.
- But the biggest transformation that has changed the look of the businesses on Hwy. 60. Retail shopping and other businesses.
- There is also a walking path over Hwy 41 so access from one side to the other is available.

Card #8

- Dear Friends- Upon returning to Slinger I was impressed with many of the changes that have occurred.
- First of all I was able to stay in a Hyatt Hotel which was located at the intersection of 41 & 60.
- Secondly, the high school has added a field house for athletics which they share with the village recreation programs. (and which my son, Owen, always wanted).
- Finally a Starbucks was added at the corner of 60 & 175 which with my love of coffee was one of the best additions to the village!

Card #9

- To: Golfing buddies in Panama- Dear Guys-
- To my amazement Slinger has become its own economic engine.
- Looking out to the future, 10 years ago, Slinger realized that the U. S. had an aging population.
- The vision Slinger saw was coming up with ways to service and support this trend.
- Slinger has consolidated its footprint, created economic advantage for companies and organizations to locate in the area, and focused on creating a living and working environment to promote families spending their living and recreation time here.
- Oh, and there's a micro-brewery now!

Card #10

- Nice industrial area with good paying union jobs
- Nice merge between Hartford and Slinger in terms of ebb and flow-not a line
- Trails and lanes for biking and hiking into the Kettle Moraine trail system as well as to and from locations in the village and beyond
- A revitalized original downtown Slinger
- If not business, then good residential with a defined business area elsewhere
- Real places to sit and eat-not just pizza and burgers anymore
- And they finally got rid of those horrible roundabouts!

Card #11

- Vibrant downtown center with beautiful street-scaping
- Open space and parks that are connected by pedestrian/bike trails
- Pedestrian and bike access to areas of the village east of Hwy 41 and south of Hwy 60
- Clear boundary between village edge and surrounding open space/farmland
- Incubator and small business park that invites startups and allows for expansion
- Housing mix from starter homes to middle income homes and all the apartments and condos needed to meet residents needs

Card #12

- **To:** Herman the German, Hauptstrasse 23, G7050 Wurzburg- Hi!
- I'm amazed at how much this place has changed!
- It has a wonderful little shopping area, with cute boutiques and some really good restaurants.
- Plus it finally has a micro-brewery – Yay!
- The sidewalks and pedestrian paths are lovely, with benches and planting all over
- It just seems much healthier, with everyone walking around and enjoying the parks

Card #13

- The downtown area has been completely revitalized and the very "German" old comfy décor is a very pleasing aesthetic
- The new fine-dining even includes German, Italian, and American assortments
- The whole village looks so clean and welcoming
- There is a great rail dining opportunity that travels to Baraboo and back for a 2 hour dining experience
- You catch the train right next to Starbucks on the west side of town

Card #14

- Schools are great
- People are very friendly
- Very clean village
- Excellent fire department and police department
- We got rid of turn about
- Beautiful downtown

Card #15

- **To:** Gary Mosler, Honolulu
- The village has added a lot of new ball fields and pedestrian paths connecting the different subdivisions
- The new restaurant development and coffee house along Hwy 60/175 is great
- I heard it was made possible by the great electric utility and new filter
- New parking areas downtown has made it easier to attend games at Community Park and walk to nearby activities

Card #16

- It's been 10 years since I've been in Slinger and I got off at Interstate 41 and 144 by Held's and what a wonderful Country Inn Suites motel and Olive Garden there now
- Then as I drove past the ski hill all the great improvements there and by the downtown I saw a great micro-brewery by the Slinger House and a nice library and community center
- Wow it sure is nice

Card #17

- Guten Tag! I have returned to Slinger safely
- Wow! You should see the changes that have happened in Slinger!
- The first thing is the beautification of the downtown area!
- There have been small trees placed in tubs along the streets
- People are putting pots of flowers in front of their houses, especially where no front yards exist
- The houses are painted, and the streets are clean
- Education has reached a new pinnacle in Slinger with new technology and different courses in the schools
- Small businesses are booming in Slinger, people are shopping in the community, and the economy is looking much better! Love Sandy

Card #18

- Downtown – nice to see more development like The Slinger House redevelopment, restaurants, shops like Cedarburg and Grafton
- Hwy 41 pedestrian bridge to help link community
- Hotel in town – American Eagle Drive seems like it would be an excellent place
- More restaurants and destination activities so we don't have to leave Slinger to spend our money – micro-brewery with outdoor beer garden
- Encourage Stage 1 and 2 companies – make it easy for them to expand
- New library

Card #19

- **To:** Tati & Juanma Villa, Medellin, Columbia- Dear Tati, Juanma & girls
- So much has happened since I've been away
- Now I have 3 different streets I can take from my condo. I can go out American Eagle Drive and take it to Lovers Lane Road. Also I can go the other way down American Eagle and turn left to Stony Lane and go to other areas of Slinger. Hip, Hip, Hooray
- We now have a lovely Senior Center where seniors can walk in the gym and also play Sheephead in the large meeting room
- They can even rent it out to small business groups or party events
- It is absolutely wonderful, can't wait for you to see the changes Love Carol

Card #20

- **To:** Signora Roseltee Pieta, Venice, Italy- Ciao Roseltee!
- Mamma Mia, Slinger has undergone a metamorphosis!
- There is a language school
- A real European café
- No more race cars (remember they used to wake us up?!)
- This villagio has truly kept up with the times and the Presidente has got us a real opera music hall/civic center!
- That's all for now, you will see that this postcard will get to you in 5 days vs. 5 weeks now that Slinger handles it's own mail!
- Arrivedercie, Wendy Olsen

Card #21

- There are tree lined streets
- All properties are neat and orderly
- Downtown would have shops in place of taverns
- The race track would be gone, but that is not fair. I would hope instead there would be limitations on using it almost everyday – timing and testing limited to 1 day per week, Sunday night races keep to Sunday night instead of all day, mufflers on cars. Other tracks have used them
- Keep brush and garbage off of cemetery
- Grass, etc. is kept great!
- More working together rather than whose job it is

Card #22

- I am so amazed at all the changes that have happened in the village of Slinger
- The old village center has been completely remade as a great place to live as well as to meet and play
- A great community center with library/museum and recreation space has replaced with what used to be run down buildings and lots used for implements and tractors
- Other dilapidated buildings have been either brought back to life or replaced by townhomes, some with small businesses on the ground floor
- It is amazing to see all the activity taking place around the clock in the new village center

Card #23

- Dear friend, Slinger has changed so much families want to move to Slinger
- We have an expanded manufacturing area and a vibrant downtown

- Schools remain great
- Young families move here for jobs, recreation, and schools
- Come back and join us

Card #24

- To my dear friends
- I love the tree lined canopies on all the main entry points
- I love the indoor soccer park that is part of the facility
- The Slinger Community Center has indoor activity rooms for meetings, arts and crafts, senior programs
- We biked on the connected recreational trail that goes east through Jackson to Cedarburg, north from Jackson to West Bend, west to Hartford and beyond
- It is awesome that these other outlying trails now connect and run through Slinger
- We find that the families, including children, spend more time in nature and this trail also connects to Pike Lake State Park
- The speedway has been replaced by a recreational water park, that provides year round tourism and employment for many
- There are a couple of hotels nearby
- There are a couple of wonderful family-style restaurants that serve breakfast, lunch and dinner
- The old town center has shade trees and park benches
- The tax bills are very affordable so that retirees live comfortably and stay here to live
- There is an ice rink at the ski hill now, with skate rentals and a warming house
- There is very nice park space, spread around the village also

Card #25

- I'm back in Slinger
- The downtown has fallen in disrepair but the park has really improved
- The ski hill has new owners and it's open again
- The only thing that hasn't changed is that we are still the home of the World's fastest ¼ mile oval.
- We have Kwik Trip, but still no Walgreens otherwise everything's pretty much the same

Card #26

- **To:** Gretchen Anderson, Munich Germany- Gretchen
- I arrived safely to my hometown of Slinger
- Much to my surprise many things have changed while I was gone
- Several new buildings and businesses have opened in the industrial park along Hwy 60 & 41
- This has stimulated new house building and the population has grown
- The corner of Hwy 60 & 175 is completely refreshed with new clean buildings
- The village has planted several trees to keep a nice green appearance

Card #27

- Industrial park off of 41
- Spruced up downtown
- A business organization/chamber was formed

Card #28

- Ola!- Wow! The village downtown area is amazing

- They removed some buildings to create parking and park sitting areas to support local businesses
- People are buzzing around
- Older buildings have been given facelifts and have great curb appeal
- I think our fathers would be proud

Card #29

- **To:** Sven Larson, 21 Grieg St., Oslo, Norway- Dear Sven
- Slinger now has made great progress
- An industrial/business park that was better than that of Jackson and Hartford and it is on an interstate
- The area has become much more classy, with beautiful big homes where the people from the industrial park can enjoy beautiful surroundings
- The village has re-drawn its boundaries and is becoming the “Village Area”, rather than the old railroad junction it was
- In closing, Sven, the weather here is beautiful – I wish you were - Dave Wolbrink

Card #30

- The village has finally started to grow and change
- There is a motel by the corner of Hwy 144 and 41 which is wonderful for the ski hill and the race track
- The downtown is now a walking community with coffee shops, mom and pop retail stores, park benches, nice apartments
- The corner of Hwy 60 & 175 has an awesome bike shop/Harley Davidson motorcycle shop with a family restaurant

Card #31

- Glad to see that Slinger’s historic downtown area is finally being redeveloped
- They have provided grants to restore and redevelop many of the old commercial buildings which are now housing many local based small businesses
- Also, many of the former run-down homes have been restored and are being occupied again
- Also, a new motel has finally been built and it’s busy in the winter months serving the ski hill visitors and busy in the summer with race-track visitors
- The village also is in the process of developing a new business/office park at the southwest corner of the interchange of interstate 41 and state highway 60 on land that the Slinger School District “contributed” to the village for the villages new business park

Card #32

- Slinger has grown but maintained its friendly, safe environment
- The streets are well maintained
- The school has kept up with technology changes and changing workforce and job skill training
- The school has expanded to meet the needs of the community while maintaining high standards of educational excellence
- The community now has upscale and moderate small businesses
- Has developed a true destination feel with addition of retail, restaurants, micro-brewery, coffee house, hotels (good quality)
- Either the school or community offers improved performing arts facility

- The community has re-aligned space creating residential separated from commercial (currently too mixed together)
- Slinger is a destination for entertainment, community involvement
- Lower cost/poor conditioned/closed businesses are cleaned up/torn down to make way for the realignment of residential/commercial
- Industrial/retail spaces developed
- Focus on school development

Card #33

- To whom it may concern: It's been a while, but wow, has Slinger changed
- They have really invested in the look of the town
- Mature trees have been planted along the roads manicured impeccably
- Those old gross buildings that used to be everywhere have either been torn down and nice places put up, or they've been remodeled
- There are also nice places to eat here now, the changes to the town have drawn in a different demographic of people for sure, and in a good way
- They have started using technology in town in unique ways too Smart lighting, etc. they seemed to have invested in the best even though it wasn't the cheapest – almost as if they reinvented the village but money was no object
- Someone really is managing the village well. Tata

Card #34

- **To:** Joe Smith, 310 Main St, London, England- Dear Joe
- Returning to my home town was just amazing
- The village has really grown and the hwy's are a lot bigger than when I left
- However the nice little village feeling is still here
- One negative is that many of my drinking spots have closed down which makes it hard to meet people

Card #35

- Since I've been gone the village has undergone a major face lift
- I'm amazed at how the downtown area has been improved
- The run down buildings have a great new aesthetic appeal
- I am most surprised about how the intersection of Hwy 60 & 175 has been developed
- The new Walgreens and Target stores are wonderful
- I am most impressed about the new restaurant base that has also developed in that area.

Card #36

- I was thrilled to see the YMCA that was built
- The three new businesses on 60 & 175
- And the renovation of the downtown storefronts that now host businesses
- The hotel and restaurant out on the corner of 60 & 41 is beautiful too

Card #37

- Vibrant downtown
- Many additional commercial and small businesses
- Overall appearance is clean and well maintained

- It's amazing what they have done since last time I lived in Slinger

Card #38

- In the past 10 years route 144 through Slinger has improved aesthetically
- The schools have remained a strong asset
- The downtown has remained viable and Slinger House is new
- Wish list: the route in from US 41 on Hwy 60 could be better aesthetically

APPENDIX D: EVALUATION

38 Responses ~ 38 Participants

1. The presentation increased your understanding of economic and demographic data for Slinger.

Strongly Disagree		Neutral		Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5
2 (5%)	0	1 (3%)	13 (34%)	22 (58%)

Comments:

- Great power point presentation of data
- Matt's information provided an excellent platform for the rest of our discussion
- Matt's presentation was very interesting
- Economic data was extremely useful
- The statistics were really interesting and pointed to some good information
- Highlighted areas that may be future opportunities for the village
- Well put together

2. The brainstorming session identified community assets to build upon.

Strongly Disagree		Neutral		Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5
2 (5%)	0	0	15 (39%)	21 (56%)

Comments:

- Recommend another community wide session after data is gathered with school board and village boards
- Excellent process to engage everyone
- Can the village become an economic zone?
- Small groups were good idea – more discussion
- A community center is desired
- Good brain storming session

3. The brainstorming session identified community limitations to address.

Strongly Disagree		Neutral		Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5
1 (3%)	1 (3%)	1 (3%)	18 (47%)	17 (44%)

Comments:

- Great to hear feedback from all concerned for and take a vested interest in our future
- Large industry not compatible
- Small groups were good idea – more discussion
- Excellent process to engage everyone

4. The visioning exercise allowed me the opportunity to create my ideal vision for the future development of the Village of Slinger.

Strongly Disagree		Neutral		Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5
2 (5%)	1 (3%)	4 (10%)	15 (40%)	16 (42%)

Comments:

- All good suggestions from a variety of angles
- Great set up/scenario to generate ideas
- Very unique exercise using “post cards”

5. Today’s session allowed me the opportunity to share my ideas while also allowing others to share their thoughts.

Strongly Disagree		Neutral		Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5
2 (5%)	0	1 (3%)	15 (40%)	20 (52%)

Comments:

- Well done!
- I would attend future events to continue the momentum

6. Overall, how would you rate my facilitation of today’s process? **(3 gave no rating)**

Poor		Neutral		Excellent
1	2	3	4	5
1 (3%)	0	0	9 (26%)	25 (71%)

Comments:

- Needed longer session for table exercise-felt we were cut short in our brain storming
- Paul and Matt did an awesome job of managing this session-they kept it moving and very interesting
- Nice job! Keep on task and timely
- Appreciated the opportunity to hear from many people
- Impressed with depth of information presented and found it interesting
- Great job – appreciate you doing this

7. Additional Remarks:

- Now the hard part begins
- It would be nice to have further sessions as the village proceeds
- I hope the use of the race track be addressed leaving without tuning and testing – hopefully mufflers – thank you
- Millennial are the key to growth and improvement of Slinger. We must find out what would make them want to move to Slinger.
- Would like to see an affordable share tree program implemented to line the main entries along 144 – North and South to see Tree City Program really grow
- Thank you!
- Focused on village growth, but no info on village government and services – village government might benefit from going to ½ time village administration – other departments were cut, but top level never reduced
- I had no idea what to expect at this meeting but was very surprised how interesting and informative it was. It was amazing how many people had similar assets and limit listed.
- Keep session to no more than 2 hours long
- Very good presentation – didn’t feel sleepy at all
- Great job, well run, kept on time, lots of information and helpful!
- Table conversation was dominated by an individual