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Jerome Township Planning Commission

5 Year Review of Master Plan

In May of 2015 the Township Board contracted with the Spicer Group to assist The Planning Commission in the preparation of the Master Plan. The Commission met 4 times with Spicer Group between May of 2015 and February of 2016 to work on the plan. The Township Parks and Recreation Committee also met during the preparation phase. Please remember that the Master Plan is not a law but rather a guideline of the community's future vision. Also, we must take into consideration that the dam break was in May 2020, after the census.

Population: In 2010 the population of the Township was 4632 residents. Adults and children. In 2020 the official U>S> Census count was 4632 residents., 164 fewer or .99%.

Median Age: The Township has stayed the same at 44.3

Racial makeup: The racial makeup has stayed the same at white 97.7%, Black and Hispanic 1.6% and other 0.7%

Households: In 2010 there were 1953 households with an average household size of 2.45. In 2020 it was 1803 households with an average of 2.6 persons per house. 76.4% are detached single family homes

Housing: In 2010 there were 1963 units in Township. In 2020 this became 1803, 97% occupied and of that 83% owner occupied. It should be pointed out that 65% of houses were built prior to 1980, 30% in 70's but does not take into consideration the many houses destroyed by the 2020 flood that are now being rebuilt. The 2020 equalized value was \$162,998,700. In 2012 it was \$156,653,400

Income: In 2020 the per capita income was \$35,649 and median household income was \$69,375. That compares to \$25,676 per capita and \$48,708 household in 2013. Our poverty ratio. People below the poverty line is 17.3% which includes 22% children under 18 and 9% seniors.

Educational Attainment: in 2013 88.3% were HS graduates and 22.45 College graduates. In 2020 this increased to 93.4% HS graduates and 29.1% college grads

Recreation: Since the flood destroyed the Senior Center in the Village a new Sanford Senior Center was built on W River RD. It is adjacent to a new area consisting of walking trails, dog parks, pickleball and tennis courts. The Village is also constructing new ballfields and play areas off Center St and Porte Park, a multiuse area for car shows, displays etc.

Veterans: The area has an 8.5% population of veterans the large majority of which are Vietnam vets.

The 2020 figures quoted in this update are from the U.S. Census of 2020. Due to the flood these figures could be skewed.