

2013 Town of Carroll Master Plan Survey

Mailed 1,169 to valid addresses of households with a voter and/or property owner.
 Allowed more than one response per household and enabled emailing.
 Received 348 responses.

1. What is your relationship to the Town of Carroll? (Please circle ALL that apply.)

N = 348

			<u>N</u>
A.	45%	vote in Carroll	157
B.	45%	live in Carroll year-round	156
C.	18%	live in Carroll part of the year	63
D.	34%	vacation in Carroll	119
E.	14%	retired to Carroll	48
F.	11%	work in Carroll	40
G.	64%	own less than 10 acres	225
H.	14%	own 10 acres or more	50
I.	9%	own a business in Carroll	31

2. What kind of community would you like to see the Twin Mountain area of Carroll be fifteen years from now? (Please circle just ONE.)

N = 324

			<u>N</u>
A.	50%	Rural/residential community with diverse economy	161
B.	19%	Vacation area	62
C.	3%	Community with mainly homes	9
D.	24%	Rural/residential community with natural resource-based economy	77
E.	0%	Retirement community	0
F.	5%	Other	15

3. What kind of community would you like to see the Bretton Woods area of Carroll be fifteen years from now? (Please circle just ONE.)

N = 332

			<u>N</u>
A.	15%	Rural/residential community with diverse economy	51
B.	61%	Vacation area	201
C.	2%	Community with mainly homes	6
D.	17%	Rural/residential community with natural resource-based economy	58
E.	1%	Retirement community	4
F.	4%	Other	12

4. Where would you like to see the majority of new development occur in Carroll over the next fifteen years? (Please circle just ONE.)

N = 341

			<u>N</u>
A.	39%	Scattered throughout town	132
B.	43%	Focused within or adjacent to village areas	148
C.	18%	No opinion	61

5. Would you support enhancing the village area at the junction of US 3 and US 302 to make it more of a real town center? This may include relocating other town services to this area, adding an attractive parking area and green space that could be the focal point for outdoor events, and making a walking path for visitors.

N = 347

A.	60%	Yes	(209)
B.	25%	No	(86)
C.	11%	Not sure, depends on_____	(39)
D.	4%	No opinion	(13)

6. In the past, three proposals have been brought forward for the Fire Station. Which option do you prefer?

N = 329

A.	43%	Leave the Fire Station in its present location.	(143)
B.	21%	Build a fire substation in Bretton Woods to enable businesses and residents to reduce their fire insurance rates by having fire apparatus within 5 miles.	(70)
C.	22%	Build a new fire station to be located with a new police station within a common facility.	(72)
D.	3%	Other	(9)
E.	4%	Not sure, depends on_____	(14)
F.	6%	No opinion	(21)

7. Currently, the Police Station is located on Route 3 South, within rented space. Several committees have worked, in the past, to resolve the Police Station problem. A Town Facilities Committee is currently meeting on a regular basis to work on several space needs of the Town, with the Police Department being the top priority. Of the following options being considered, which do you prefer?

N = 335

- A. 23% Build a new Police Station on Town land located behind the current Town Hall. (77)
- B. 10% Build a new Police Station on donated land in Bretton Woods. (32)
- C. 25% Build a new Police Station and Fire Station to be located with a within a common facility. (84)
- D. 8% Replace the Town Hall with a new Town Hall and Police Station on the vacated property. (26)
- E. 18% Other_____ (59)
- F. 8% Not sure, depends on_____ (27)
- G. 9% No opinion (3)

8. Two of the possibilities that have been discussed for attracting businesses to create year-round jobs in Carroll are (a) to provide sewer and other amenities to enhance the village area at the junction of US 3 and US 302, and (b) to provide roads, water and sewer to the area set aside for an industrial park off New Straw Road.

Would you support some initial investment of town funds in either (or both) of these options in order to encourage private investment?

N = 338

- A. 28% Infrastructure and other enhancements for the village area (93)
- B. 9% Infrastructure for the industrial park (32)
- C. 22% Both (73)
- D. 41% Neither (140)

9. When the town adds or improves infrastructure in an area, property values generally increase. A TIF District (Tax Increment Financing) is a tool that enables the increased property tax revenues that result from that increase in value to be used by the town to pay for those infrastructure improvements. Would you favor a TIF District for:

N = 330

- A. 27% Infrastructure and other enhancements for the village area (90)
- B. 6% Infrastructure for the industrial park (19)
- C. 18% Both (58)
- D. 49% Neither (163)

10. Our natural resources, clean environment and scenic beauty provide an important part of the foundation for our economy. Several planning and zoning tools are available for the town to manage the siting and impacts of development. Please circle which land use tools if any that you would support.

N = 348

- A. 60% Require developers to treat and manage stormwater on-site to prevent erosion and sedimentation of rivers and brooks. (209)
- B. 41% Enable the Planning Board to influence the layout of proposed subdivisions to reduce their impact on important resources without reducing the total number of lots. (141)
- C. 46% Regulate development on steep slopes. (161)
- D. 55% Restrict filling and draining of wetlands. (192)
- E. 62% Require vegetated buffers to be left along rivers and brooks to protect water quality and fish habitat. (214)
- F. 24% Reduce the density of development permitted in the Rural District from one dwelling per 2 acres to one dwelling per 5 acres. (85)
- G. 52% Manage the design of development on certain ridgelines and hilltops to maintain scenic views. (180)
- H. 55% Restrict building in floodplains. (191)

11. Would you or a family member live in a different type of housing in Carroll than you do now if it was available in the next ten years? (Please circle any or all that apply.)

N = 348

- A. 19% Senior housing (67)
- B. 9% Handicapped accessible (32)
- C. 7% Apartment affordable for low/moderate income family (24)
- D. 14% Small starter home (47)
- E. 17% Townhouse type development with small units and some shared public spaces (58)
- F. 13% Other _____ 44

12. Are there special places or buildings in town that you would like to see town volunteers work with willing landowners and private groups to conserve?

13. What else would you like the Planning Board to consider as they develop the next Master Plan for the Town of Carroll?
