



SEWER & WATER SERVICE SURVEY CALLON AVENUE, YELLOW BANKS, RIVERBEND, AND POWERS NEIGHBORHOODS

Background

The survey and related information that follows pertains to 3 distinct areas on the north side of the Village of Weston that have existing residential development with private sanitary sewer and water systems. The three areas were arbitrarily named Callon Avenue, Yellow Banks, and Riverbend/Powers areas. The 3 areas are shown on the accompanying map. A fourth area of the Village in the southeast, dubbed Sandhill Meadows, was excluded from the survey at this time.

The majority of the development in the 3 areas occurred prior to the Village's incorporation in 1996. Although the water and sanitary sewer utilities were formed in the mid 1960's, prior to much of the development in the Yellow Banks and Riverbend/Powers areas, the utilities were not positioned to provide service to any of them until the past few years. Service has not yet been requested in these areas either. However, the Village's planning for future sanitary sewer service has long anticipated extending service to these areas. So, from the Village's perspective the question of sewer and water service to these 3 areas has been a matter of when it will happen, not if.

Despite the Village's view that service to these 3 areas is inevitable, the Village has not taken the stance that service should be provided on any specifically planned timetable. By not setting a timetable, homeowners are faced with a dilemma when the time comes to replace or perform major maintenance on their private water and/or wastewater systems: should I replace or simply try to limp along until municipal services are provided?

Likewise the Village has its own dilemma when considering whether to perform street reconstruction, street maintenance and/or drainage

improvements. With the thought that municipal water and wastewater service are inevitable, the Village feels it is unwise to do anything major without addressing the long -term water and wastewater issue.

To date the Village has answered questions about future sewer and water service to the effect that nothing is planned for these 3 areas. The answer is qualified by adding that things could change dependent on a public health issue in a neighborhood, or development activity, or some other factor. This is despite over 20 years of speculation. The Village's stance and qualified response on the subject do nothing to remove the "cloud" of possible future service to these three areas of the Village. Is this fair to property owners trying to sell their homes or to new or prospective buyers of property? Is this the way property owners in these areas want the Village to respond?

Because of these lingering questions, the Village Public Works Committee and Village Board suggested obtaining background information about the private wastewater systems in the three areas. In late 2003 the Village obtained private wastewater system records from Marathon County. The County began its permit system in 1978. Lacking data from systems installed prior to 1978, the Village also researched assessor's files to estimate the age of existing septic systems in the Village. That data was updated in 2005. The final summary memo from December 2003 and updated county records from 2005 appear as attachments.

Roughly 50% of the private wastewater systems in all 3 areas are as old, or older than, the average age of replacements performed in the respective areas. A few systems may require replacement in any year, but widespread replacement in any particular neighborhood would be unlikely. This adds to the dilemma: not all systems require replacement at the same time.

It is not known whether private septic systems are having influence on private wells. The age of the private septic systems (and design standards for construction), soil conditions, depth to groundwater, and separation distance between septic systems and wells, are among the factors that would play a role. Private water supply wells are not regularly sampled and tested, so data from them is from various points in time for individual wells.

In 2004, the staff of the Village of Weston's Public Works Department conducted an initial round of neighborhood meetings for the 3 areas. Copies of the summary of discussion from each of the three meetings are linked to this document. Differing opinions were voiced by many people at these meetings with regard to the desire for future sanitary sewer and water service. One result was to follow up with a survey to give all property owners an opportunity to answer some questions free of outside influence.

The surveys were mailed out in the 2nd quarter of 2005. Overall about 2/3, or 67%, of all the property owners responded to the survey. Results of the surveys were discussed at neighborhood meetings, conducted by the Village of Weston, during the summer of 2005. The combined results of the surveys in all three neighborhoods are presented in the attached summary.

As has been the case whenever similar surveys were conducted in other areas in the past, there is no clear consensus of opinion in any of the neighborhoods that sewer and water service is needed or desired. As a result of the response to questions in the survey and input from the residents at the meetings, the next step(s) will be as follows:

- 1). Sample private wells in each neighborhood as had been suggested in the surveys and during the neighborhood meetings. Village staff can also obtain more specific data about the construction of the private wells.
- 2). Prepare more detailed estimates of cost so that each property owner knows more specifically the costs they may be faced with in the event municipal sewer and water service are installed. (This requires some refinement of the conceptual planning for service to the 3 areas that has been done to date).

As an additional observation or recommendation, it is the feeling of Village staff that volunteers from each neighborhood should be sought to serve on focus groups as staff continues to gather and review information on this subject. The purpose of the focus groups would be to provide input and assistance as the additional information is gathered, prepared, and interpreted. The Village wants those citizens that will be affected by any decision made through this process to be able to have their questions and concerns addressed so that the information will be more complete and

useful for presentation to the rest of the neighborhoods. The Village feels that the focus groups will accomplish this by giving people a better comfort level with the process. The Village would suggest a group of 4 to 6 people, hopefully, representing a range of opinions on the topic. Please contact Valerie Parker at 241-2607 or Renee Hodell at 241-2608 if you are interested in serving on one of the focus groups.



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General Comments About the Survey

The following survey was not intended to be a scientific sampling of 3 neighborhoods involved and should not be taken as such. It is more a gathering of opinions about issues related to water supply and wastewater systems, both municipal and private.

The data used for the private wastewater systems (septic systems) was current as of the end of 2004 and will not reflect replacements that occurred in either 2004 or 2005.

The survey results are a compilation of the responses from the three neighborhoods surveyed – Callon, Yellow Banks, and River Bend/Powers. Results from all 3 neighborhoods are shown alongside each other to provide residents an opportunity to compare the responses from each neighborhood. The commentary accompanying each question is provided by Keith Donner, Director of Public Works, and represents his interpretations of the results.

Septic system data from a fourth area, dubbed Sandhill Meadows (for the location of a neighborhood meeting in 2004) was also researched, but has not been included in the ongoing discussions and surveys due to the much lower density of home development in that area.

Part I

1. The Village sanitary sewer system has been built with the capacity to serve your neighborhood since past planning efforts predicted that sewer service to your neighborhood was inevitable. Do you feel it is inevitable that municipal sanitary sewer and water service is provided in your neighborhood?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVER BEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes = 58 No = 65 No Answer = 7 130 out of 130 parcels	Yes = 86 No = 89 No Answer = 5 180 parcels out of 180	Yes = 45 No = 62 No Answer = 2 109 parcels out of 109
Yes = 44.6% No = 50.0% No Answer = 5.4%	Yes = 47.8% No = 49.4% No Answer = 2.8%	Yes = 41.3% No = 56.9% No Answer = 1.8%
No = 14 older systems and 28 newer systems Yes = 15 older systems and 28 newer systems	No = 25 older systems and 34 newer systems Yes = 27 older systems and 30 newer systems	No = 4 older systems and 43 newer systems Yes = 5 older systems and 39 newer systems

Callon: Slight majority (5.4%) say they don't feel sanitary sewer or water service are inevitable.

Yellow Banks: Split on the issue as to whether they feel sewer/water service is inevitable (1.6% differential).

Riverbend and Powers: Greatest difference of opinion of all the neighborhoods with respect to the inevitability of service. 15.6% more feel service is not inevitable. Parts of this neighborhood are likely to be affected by future development.

1(a). Do you feel the Village should prepare detailed plans and establish a definite timetable to install sanitary sewer and water service so that people can plan accordingly rather than remaining uncertain about circumstances that would cause a project to move forward?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes = 70 53.8%	Yes = 83 46.1%	Yes = 49 44.9%
No = 28 21.5%	No = 43 23.9%	No = 20 18.3%
No Answer = 32 24.6%	No Answer = 54 30.0%	No Answer = 40 36.7%
130 out of 130 parcels	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109
No = 11 older systems and 11 newer systems	No = 8 older systems and 15 newer systems	No = 1 older system and 17 newer systems
Yes = 16 older systems and 30 newer systems	Yes = 18 older systems and 30 newer systems	Yes = 5 older systems and 41 newer systems

1(b) What should the timetable for construction be?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
<u>9</u> As soon as possible 6.9%	<u>14</u> As soon as possible 7.8%	<u>5</u> As soon as possible 4.6%
<u>12</u> Within 5 years 9.2%	<u>30</u> Within 5 years 16.7%	<u>15</u> Within 5 years 13.7%
<u>22</u> 5 to 10 years 16.9%	<u>18</u> 5 to 10 years 10.0%	<u>15</u> 5 to 10 years 13.7%
<u>26</u> 10 years to 15 years 20.0%	<u>32</u> 10 years to 15 years 17.8%	<u>17</u> 10 years to 15 years 15.6%
<u>23</u> Never 17.7%	<u>28</u> Never 15.6%	<u>23</u> Never 21.1%
No answer = 38 29.2%	No answer = 58 32.2%	No answer = 34 31.2%
130 out of 130 parcels	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109

The intention of parts (a) and (b) in this question was to get a sense only from those people that answered yes to the main question, about the time frame. Obviously many people that said No to the main question answered this question.

Callon: 69 parcels (53%) feel that the project should be planned within a 15-year time frame. 33% feel the project should be planned within a 10-year time frame.

Yellow Banks: 83 parcels (46.1%) feel that the project should be planned. 52.3% of all respondents felt the project should be planned within a 15-year time frame. 34.5% feel the project should be planned within a 10-year time frame.

Riverbend and Powers: 49 parcels (45%) feel that the project should be planned. 48% of the survey respondents feel a project should be planned within a 15 year time period.

2. Do you feel that your neighborhood's allocation of sanitary sewer capacity and treatment capacity should continue to be reserved for a hypothetical need in your neighborhood, rather than allow this capacity to be used by other new neighborhoods?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes, continue to reserve capacity for my neighborhood. = 45 34.6%	Yes, continue to reserve capacity for my neighborhood. = 84 46.7%	Yes, continue to reserve capacity for my neighborhood. = 53 48.6%
No, allow the excess capacity to be used by new development. = 77 59.2%	No, allow the excess capacity to be used by new development. = 89 49.4%	No, allow the excess capacity to be used by new development. = 53 48.6%
Doesn't affect me = 1 0.8% No answer = 7 5.4% 130 out of 130 parcels	No answer = 7 3.9% 180 parcels out of 180	No answer = 3 2.8% 109 parcels out of 109

There is no cost related to a property being inside or outside the boundary at the present time.

Callon: Neighborhood isn't concerned about capacity allocation.

Yellow Banks: Numbers of people concerned about remaining in sewer service area corresponds to the number that feel service is inevitable (46.7% vs. 47.8%).

Riverbend and Powers: Number of people concerned about remaining inside sewer service boundary (48.6%) exceeds number that feel service is inevitable (41.3%).

3. Current practice is for both water and sanitary sewer service to be extended at the same time as a practical matter. Would you feel differently if you could receive either municipal water service or sanitary sewer service rather than both?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes = 25 19.2%	Yes = 38 21.1%	Yes = 17 15.6%
No = 100 76.9%	No = 139 77.2%	No = 92 84.4%
Neither one = 1 0.8%	No answer = 3 1.7%	109 parcels out of 109
No answer = 4 3.1%	180 parcels out of 180	
130 out of 130 parcels		

3(a). If you answered yes to question 3, which service would you prefer to receive?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Answered = 25 19.2%	Not Answer = 141 78.3%	Answered = 17 15.6%
Not Answer = 105 80.8%	Answer = 39 21.7%	No Answer = 92 84.4%
Water = 8 32.0%	Water = 9 23.1%	Water = 5 29.4%
Sanitary Sewer = 17 68.0%	Sanitary Sewer = 29 74.4%	Sanitary Sewer = 12 70.6%
130 out of 130 parcels	Both = 1 2.5%	109 parcels out of 109
	180 parcels out of 180	

Callon, Yellow Banks, Riverbend and Powers : Neighborhoods are not concerned with one service vs. the other.

This was a bit surprising since providing one service vs. both could be a substantial cost savings.

4. Many of the streets in the Village are in need of major repairs. Major repairs and reconstruction of streets in your neighborhood are not scheduled due to the uncertainty of the extension of sanitary sewer and water service. Do you feel it would be wise for the Village to spend tax dollars on street reconstruction within any neighborhood as long as this uncertainty exists?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes= 35 26.9%	Yes= 46 25.6%	Yes= 38 34.9%
No = 91 70.0%	No = 124 68.9%	No = 65 59.6%
No answer = 4 3.1%	No answer = 10 5.5%	No answer = 6 5.5%
130 out of 130 parcels	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109
No = 20 older systems and 41 newer systems	No = 39 older systems and 41 newer systems	No = 7 older systems and 53 newer systems
Yes = 10 older systems and 16 newer systems	Yes = 13 older systems and 18 newer systems	Yes = 1 older system and 27 newer systems

Callon, Yellow Banks, Riverbend and Powers: The majority of people in all neighborhoods agree that it would be foolish to spend money on streets now that have the prospect of being reconstructed in the not too distant future.

5. Do you feel the absence of municipal sanitary sewer and/or water service has a negative impact on the marketability of your home?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes for both = 23 17.7%	Yes for both = 27 15.0%	Yes for both = 16 14.7%
No for both = 92 70.8%	No for both = 121 67.2%	No for both = 76 69.7%
Yes for sewer, No for water = 0 0.0%	Yes for sewer, No for water=12 6.7%	Yes for sewer, No for water = 2 1.8%
No for sewer Yes for water = 1 0.8%	No for sewer Yes for water=0 0.0%	No for sewer, Yes for water = 1 0.9%
No opinion = 12 9.2%	No opinion = 18 10.0%	No opinion = 10 9.2%
No answer = 2 1.5%	No answer = 2 1.1%	No answer = 4 3.7%
130 out of 130 parcels	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109

Callon, Yellow Banks, Riverbend and Powers: Almost identical responses in all neighborhoods. Very few people feel their being serviced with private wells and septic systems is a negative. Perhaps this question should have been further refined by asking how many people bought their current property within the past 5 years, or whether they currently have their house on the market.

6. Your neighborhood contains approximately (120 Callon) (172 Yellow Banks), (139 Riverbend) private wastewater treatment (septic) systems. Of this number only about 50% are currently monitored by Marathon County due to being installed prior to 1978 when a tracking system was established for permits. Are you concerned about the influence these older systems may be having on your neighborhood environment?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes = 26 No = 75 Somewhat = 1 No answer = 4 106 out of 106 surveys	Yes = 29 No = 109 No answer = 4 142 surveys out of 142	Yes = 13 No = 77 No answer = 8 98 surveys out of 98
24.5% 70.7% 0.9% 3.8%	20.4% 76.8% 2.8%	13.3% 78.6% 8.2%

Callon: *These numbers haven't changed since December 2003 on the west side of CTH J. There are 16 newer systems on the east side of J that are not included in the count of 120.*

Yellow Banks: *Total number of systems is now 174. 1 replacement that occurred in 2002 was not included in the 2003 statistics. 1 additional replacement occurred in 2003. 73 systems (42%) are pre-1978 permits. 35 systems (20%) have been replaced. 66 original systems (37.9%) are 1978 and newer.*

Riverbend and Powers: *Total number of systems (139) is less than from December 2003 due to including systems between Camp Phillips and the Eau Claire River in this group originally. Those systems were reported in both the Yellow Banks and Riverbend (Kellyland) area in December 2003. No replacements were reported in this area since December 2003.*

Overall the Callon and Yellow Banks areas have the highest numbers and percentages of systems that were installed prior to 1978 (46% and 53% respectively). The systems in the Riverbend/Powers area are much younger by comparison. In the Callon and Yellow Banks areas the percentage of systems that are as old, or older, than the average replacement age is nearly 60%. However In the River Bend/Powers area that percentage is only 39%. The average replacement age, number, and percentage of systems as old, or older than average replacement age in each area are as follows:

<u>Area</u>	<u>Avg. Replacement Age</u>	<u>Number of Systems ≥</u>	<u>Percentage of Systems</u>
Callon	22.1 years	59	57%
Yellow Banks	25.7 years	85	61%
River Bend/Powers	17 years	51	39%

7. Do you know how old your existing private septic system is? If so, how old?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Installed 1978 - 2005 = 67 63.2%	Installed 1978 - 2005 = 75 52.8%	Installed 1978 - 2005 = 74 75.5%
Installed before 1978 = 21 19.8%	Installed before 1978 = 30 21.1%	Installed before 1978 = 8 8.2%
Yes, no year = 2 1.9%	Yes, no year = 3 2.1%	Yes, no year = 2 2.0%
No = 11 10.4%	No = 31 21.8%	No = 8 8.2%
No answer = 5 4.7%	No answer = 3 2.1%	No answer = 6 6.1%
106 surveys out of 106 surveys	142 surveys out of 142	98 surveys out of 98

8. Do you perform maintenance on your private septic system? If so, how often?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes, 3 years or less= 94 88.7%	Yes, 3 years or less = 109 76.8%	Yes, 3 years or less = 85 86.7%
Yes, more than 3 years = 4 3.8%	Yes, more than 3 years = 6 4.2%	Yes, more than 3 years = 2 2.0%
Yes, no time frame = 2 1.9%	Yes, no time frame = 8 5.6%	Yes, no time frame = 1 1.0%
No = 1 0.9%	No = 12 8.4%	No = 2 2.0%
No answer = 4 3.8%	No answer = 1 0.7%	No answer = 6 6.2%
N/A = 1 0.9%	N/A = 6 4.2%	N/A = 2 2.0%
106 surveys out of 106 surveys	142 surveys out of 142 surveys	98 surveys out of 98 surveys

Callon: There are 48 older systems (pre- 1978) and 88 newer systems (1978 and younger). However, 16 newer systems are in the area east of CTH J where the first systems were installed in 1998. 25 of the 29 older systems report performing regular maintenance on their systems despite not being required or reminded to do so. However, 4 of those responding and 19 non-respondents could be doing nothing at all. Assuming no regular maintenance is being performed would be worst case and that would mean that only 52% of older systems are getting regular maintenance.

Yellow Banks: There are 73 older systems (pre- 1978) and 101 newer systems (1978 and younger). 36 of the 47 older systems that responded (76.6%), report performing regular maintenance on their systems despite not being required or reminded to do so. However, the remainder of the systems could be doing nothing at all. Assuming no regular maintenance is being performed would be worst case and that would mean that only 49.3% of older systems are getting regular maintenance.

Riverbend and Powers: There are 13 older systems (pre- 1978) and 126 newer systems (1978 and younger). All 9 of the older systems that responded (100%), report performing regular maintenance on their systems despite not being required or reminded to do so. If the remaining older systems are doing nothing at all, this would only be another 4 systems. Assuming no regular maintenance is being performed would be worst case, and that would still mean that only 70% of older systems are getting regular maintenance.

9. When did you last test the water from your private well?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Within the last 5 years = 65 61.3%	Within the last 5 years = 60 42.3%	Within the last 5 years = 54 55.1%
More than 5 years ago = 15 14.2%	More than 5 years ago = 21 14.8%	More than 5 years ago = 13 13.3%
Don't know = 20 18.9%	Don't know = 54 38.0%	Don't know = 26 26.5%
No answer = 5 4.7%	No answer = 3 2.1%	No answer = 1 1.0%
No well = 1 0.9%	No well = 4 2.8%	No answer = 4 4.1%
106 surveys out of 106 surveys	142 surveys out of 142 surveys	98 surveys out of 98 surveys

Callon, Yellow Banks, Riverbend and Powers: There is no requirement to test water from a private well other than when it is first drilled, following maintenance, or when an infant is present in the household. The requirement to test a well at the time of a home sale comes only from a buyer as a condition of sale. This question should have been extended to ask what the reasons for sampling were.

10. Given a choice between investing in a replacement septic system and/or new well, would you rather invest those same dollars in the special assessments for the extension of municipal sanitary sewer and water service and your connection to the municipal system?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes = 61 46.9%	Yes = 75 41.6%	Yes = 44 40.4%
No = 64 49.2%	No = 99 55.0%	No = 51 46.8%
No answer = 5 3.8%	No answer = 6 3.3%	No answer = 14 12.8%
130 parcels out of 130 parcels	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109

Callon, Yellow Banks, Riverbend and Powers: Village staff was surprised that more people did not answer in the affirmative on this one. This was most likely viewed as one of those leading questions. One would think that with the uncertainty of public water/sewer, there would be more acceptance/recognition of the practicality of spending money only once for a particular purpose.

11. Would you be willing to allow your private well to be sampled by a representative of the Village and analyzed for the presence of nitrates, coliform bacteria, and iron in an effort to survey the water quality in your neighborhood?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes, = 29 27.4%	Yes = 39 27.5%	Yes, = 22 22.4%
Yes, but only if there is a cost share = 45 42.5%	Yes, but only if there is a cost share = 47 33.1%	Yes, but only if there is a cost share = 35 35.7%
No = 28 26.4%	No = 51 35.9%	No = 39 39.8%
No answer = 4 3.8%	N/A = 5 3.5%	No answer = 2 2.0%
106 surveys out of 106 surveys	142 surveys out of 142	98 surveys out of 98

Callon: 69.9% indicate willingness to have wells sampled.

Yellow Banks: 60.6% indicate willingness to have wells sampled. .

Riverbend and Powers: 58.1% indicate a willingness to have wells sampled.

The majority of respondents in all neighborhoods would only allow well sampling if there is cost share.

11(a). Sample analysis will cost about \$35 each. I would be willing to share in the cost in the following amount.

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
\$0 = 28 26.4%	\$0 = 42 29.6%	\$0 = 36 36.7%
\$5 = 3 2.8%	\$5 = 3 2.1%	\$5 = 2 2.0%
\$10 = 9 8.5%	\$10 = 8 5.6%	\$10 = 8 8.2%
\$15 = 20 18.9%	\$15 = 26 18.3%	\$15 = 11 11.2%
\$20 = 6 5.7%	\$20 = 7 4.9%	\$20 = 5 5.1%
\$25 = 7 6.6%	\$25 = 6 4.2%	\$25 = 9 9.2%
\$35 = 1 0.9%	\$35 = 1 0.7%	\$35 = 1 1.0%
No answer = 32 30.2%	No answer = 49 34.5%	No answer = 26 26.5%
106 surveys out of 106	142 surveys out of 142	98 out of 98 surveys

Callon: 34 respondents (32%) indicate they would share in the cost in the amount of \$15 or more. 74 respondents (69.8%) would allow sampling if there is a \$0 individual contribution.

Yellow Banks: 40 respondents(28.2%) indicate they would share in the cost in the amount of \$15 or more. 93respondents (65.5%) would allow sampling if there is a \$0 individual contribution.

Riverbend and Powers: 26 respondendents (26.5%) indicate they would share in the cost in the amount of \$15 or more. 72 respondents (73.5%) would allow sampling if there is a \$0 individual contribution.

Part II

1. Do you have an interest in your property receiving sanitary sewer and water service from the Village of Weston?

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
Yes, I want sewer and water service to my property = 17 13.1%	Yes, I want sewer and water service to my property = 30 16.7%	Yes, I want sewer and water service to my property = 11 10.1%
I don't see the need for sewer and water service right now, but I feel our neighborhood should be served in the future. = 33 25.4%	I don't see the need for sewer and water service right now, but I feel our neighborhood should be served in the future. = 45 25.0%	I don't see the need for sewer and water service right now, but I feel our neighborhood should be served in the future. = 33 30.3%
I am undecided: = 12 9.2%	I am undecided: = 18 10.0%	I am undecided: = 5 4.6%
No, I am not interested in sewer and water service at this time or in the future under any circumstances. = 68 50.8%	No, I am not interested in sewer and water service at this time or in the future under any circumstances. = 87 48.3%	No, I am not interested in sewer and water service at this time or in the future under any circumstances. = 60 55.0%
Part: 1a) was answered by 5 older systems and 7 newer systems 1b) was answered by 2 older systems and 24 newer systems 1c) was answered by 5 older systems and 4 newer systems 1d) was answered by 21 older systems and 21 newer systems	Part: 1a) was answered by 16 older systems and 6 newer systems 1b) was answered by 10 older systems and 17 newer systems 1c) was answered by 5 older systems and 9 newer systems 1d) was answered by 25 older systems and 32 newer systems	Part: 1a) was answered by 3 older systems and 8 newer systems 1b) was answered by 2 older systems and 30 newer systems 1c) was answered by 0 older systems and 5 newer systems 1d) was answered by 4 older systems and 41 newer systems
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Callon: After correcting for duplicate answers 108 respondents factored in to this question.

Yellow Banks: After correcting for duplicate answers 179 respondents factored in to this question.

Riverbend and Powers: After correcting for duplicate answers 109 respondents factored into this question.

Note: When respondents answered multiple parts of this question the corrected answer was taken to be no or the least certain answer (i.e., the corrected response was "d" if "d" and any other part were checked; the corrected response was "c" if "c" and "a" and/or "b" were checked; and the corrected response was "b" if both "a" and "b" were checked).

Approximately 40% of respondents in each neighborhood indicate current or future interest in service. In the Callon and Yellow Banks areas 10% are undecided, whereas only 5% are undecided in the Riverbend/Powers area.

Please rank the following items in order of importance from 1 to 5, with respect to your concerns about the subject of municipal sewer and water service (1 being most troubling to you).

Regardless of my opinion and desires on the installation of water and sanitary sewer service, I rank my concerns about municipal services as follows:

Installation costs/special assessments

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
1 = 65 50.0%	1 = 78 43.4%	1 = 49 44.9%
2 = 30 23.1%	2 = 45 25.0%	2 = 27 24.8%
3 = 10 7.7%	3 = 18 10.0%	3 = 9 8.3%
4 = 13 10.0%	4 = 4 2.2%	4 = 1 0.9%
5 = 3 2.3%	5 = 4 2.2%	5 = 7 6.4%
No Answer = 4 3.1%	No Answer = 24 13.4%	No Answer = 10 9.2%
Selected, but not ranked = 5 3.8%	Selected, but not ranked = 7 3.9%	Selected, but not ranked = 6 5.5%
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Repayment terms (length of time to repay, interest rate)

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
1 = 19 14.6%	1 = 14 7.7%	1 = 18 16.5%
2 = 33 25.4%	2 = 36 20.0%	2 = 24 22.0%
3 = 29 22.3%	3 = 38 21.1%	3 = 24 22.0%
4 = 23 17.7%	4 = 34 18.9%	4 = 14 12.8%
5 = 18 13.8%	5 = 26 14.4%	5 = 14 12.8%
No Answer = 6 4.6%	No Answer = 28 15.5%	No Answer = 11 10.1%
Selected, but not ranked = 3 2.3%	Selected, but not ranked = 4 2.2%	Selected, but not ranked = 4 3.7%
130 parcels out of 130	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109

Quality of Public Water – (taste, odor, hardness, disinfectant chemicals, etc.)

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
1 = 42 32.3%	1 = 29 16.1%	1 = 8 7.3%
2 = 13 10.0%	2 = 17 9.4%	2 = 8 7.3%
3 = 18 13.8%	3 = 30 16.6%	3 = 20 18.3%
4 = 24 18.5%	4 = 40 22.2%	4 = 24 22.0%
5 = 24 18.5%	5 = 32 17.8%	5 = 33 30.3%
No Answer = 6 4.6%	No Answer = 29 16.1%	No Answer = 13 11.9%
Selected, but not ranked = 3 2.3%	Selected, but not ranked = 3 1.7%	Selected, but not ranked = 3 2.7%
130 parcels out of 130	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109

Cost of quarterly service (regular billing amount)

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
1 = 19 14.6%	1 = 12 6.6%	1 = 7 6.4%
2 = 11 8.5%	2 = 31 17.2%	2 = 12 11.0%
3 = 36 27.7%	3 = 35 19.4%	3 = 29 26.6%
4 = 32 24.6%	4 = 44 24.4%	4 = 32 29.4%
5 = 23 17.7%	5 = 28 15.6%	5 = 14 12.8%
No Answer = 6 4.6%	No Answer = 26 14.4%	No Answer = 13 11.9%
Selected, but not ranked = 3 2.3%	Selected, but not ranked = 4 2.2%	Selected, but not ranked = 2 1.8%
130 parcels out of 130	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109

Not having a choice in the matter

<u>CALLON</u>	<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>	<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>
1 = 41 31.5%	1 = 43 23.9%	1 = 30 27.5%
2 = 20 15.4%	2 = 12 6.7%	2 = 11 10.1%
3 = 12 9.2%	3 = 18 10.0%	3 = 14 12.8%
4 = 10 7.7%	4 = 16 8.8%	4 = 13 11.9%
5 = 33 25.4%	5 = 58 32.2%	5 = 27 24.8%
No Answer = 11 8.5%	No Answer = 24 13.3%	No Answer = 10 9.2%
Selected, but not ranked = 3 2.3%	Selected, but not ranked = 9 5.0%	Selected, but not ranked = 4 3.7%
130 parcels out of 130	180 parcels out of 180	109 parcels out of 109

A total score for each part of this question in each neighborhood was determined. First the weighted subtotal of each response was determined (the number of responses times the rank (1 – 5)). The total score is the sum of the weighted subtotals for ranks 1 – 5 in each part of the question. The lowest total score in each neighborhood is the greatest concern, based on the instructions to use 1 as the greatest concern and 5 as the least concern. Weighted subtotals and total scores are not shown.

The three greatest concerns in each neighborhood based on the total scores are as follows:”

Callon: 1. Installation Costs/Special Assessments; 2. Not having a choice in the matter; 3. Quality of Public Water. (Repayment Terms were ranked 4th by this neighborhood by a slight margin).

Yellow Banks: 1. Installation Costs/Special Assessments; 2. Repayment terms; 3. Not Having a Choice in the Matter; (For all intents and purposes Quality of Public Water and Not Having a Choice had the same total score, however Not Having a Choice had a higher number of #1 and #2 rankings.)

Riverbend: 1. Installation Costs/Special Assessments; 2. Repayment Terms. 3. Not Having a Choice in the Matter. (Almost equal numbers of people ranked Not Having a Choice as either a #1 or #5 concern. The overall difference in total score for the #2 and #3 concerns was only 17 points.

If I were to remain on private sewer and water service, I rank my concerns as follows:
Continued reliability of septic system

<u>CALLON</u>		<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>		<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>	
1 = 46	35.4%	1 = 52	28.9%	1 = 34	31.2%
2 = 23	17.7%	2 = 26	14.4%	2 = 15	13.8%
3 = 21	16.1%	3 = 34	18.8%	3 = 22	20.2%
4 = 7	5.4%	4 = 14	7.8%	4 = 4	3.7%
5 = 7	5.4%	5 = 8	4.4%	5 = 3	2.7%
No Answer = 25	19.2%	No Answer = 32	17.8%	No Answer = 26	23.8%
Selected, but not ranked =1	0.8%	Selected, but not ranked=14	7.8%	Selected, but not ranked = 5	4.6%
130 parcels out of 130		180 parcels out of 180		109 parcels out of 109	

Continued reliability of water system

<u>CALLON</u>		<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>		<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>	
1 = 32	24.6%	1 = 27	15.0%	1 = 13	11.9%
2 = 37	28.5%	2 = 64	35.6%	2 = 38	34.8%
3 = 20	15.4%	3 = 23	12.8%	3 = 20	18.3%
4 = 10	7.7%	4 = 13	7.2%	4 = 4	3.7%
5 = 3	2.3%	5 = 6	3.3%	5 = 2	1.8%
No Answer = 28	21.5%	No Answer = 37	20.5%	No Answer = 30	27.5%
Selected, but not ranked =0	0.0%	Selected, but not ranked=10	5.5%	Selected, but not ranked = 2	1.8%
130 parcels out of 130		180 parcels out of 180		109 parcels out of 109	

Water quality – aesthetics (taste, odor, hardness, health concerns)

<u>CALLON</u>		<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>		<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>	
1 = 37	28.5%	1 = 43	23.9%	1 = 15	13.8%
2 = 19	14.6%	2 = 20	11.1%	2 = 10	9.2%
3 = 26	20.0%	3 = 33	18.3%	3 = 34	31.2%
4 = 17	13.1%	4 = 26	14.4%	4 = 15	13.8%
5 = 3	2.3%	5 = 8	4.4%	5 = 2	1.8%
No Answer = 26	20.0%	No Answer = 48	26.7%	No Answer = 32	29.3%
Selected, but not ranked =2	1.5%	Selected, but not ranked=2	1.1%	Selected, but not ranked =1	0.9%
130 parcels out of 130		180 parcels out of 180		109 parcels out of 109	

Marketability of property

<u>CALLON</u>		<u>YELLOW BANKS</u>		<u>RIVERBEND AND POWERS</u>	
1 = 24	18.5%	1 = 15	8.3%	1 = 9	8.3%
2 = 10	7.7%	2 = 14	7.8%	2 = 6	5.5%
3 = 17	13.1%	3 = 31	17.2%	3 = 15	13.8%
4 = 45	34.6%	4 = 65	36.1%	4 = 41	37.6%
5 = 6	4.6%	5 = 6	3.3%	5 = 4	3.7%
No Answer = 26	20.0%	No Answer = 45	25.0%	No Answer = 33	30.3%
Selected, but not ranked =2	1.5%	Selected, but not ranked=4	2.2%	Selected, but not ranked =1	0.9%
130 parcels out of 130		180 parcels out of 180		109 parcels out of 109	

Scores for this part of the question were determined as in the first part.

The three greatest concerns related to remaining on private water and sewage systems were the same in each neighborhood. This can easily be seen in the number of #1 and #2 ranks for each part of the question. The concerns with remaining on private systems were ranked as follows:

- 1. Continued Reliability of Septic System**
- 2. Continued Reliability of Water System (private well)**
- 3. Water Quality**
- 4. Marketability of Property**

Marketability of Property was not seen as an important consideration by residents, consistent with the question in Part I of the survey.

COMMENTS: CALLON

- We have large lots in this area and with good soils for septic systems. All have alternate sites for septic systems. We also have good drinking water.
- projected time lines/cost (no where mentioned in survey) should be shared if we are to trust the town mandates
- When something is not broken it doesn't need to be fixed. Don't spend money needlessly.
- it is apparent it is going to happen. I will be retiring in 4 years, I'll not be able to afford it then (I'll have to sell the house). Let's get it over with!
- At this time we are not concerned in the least about getting these services as our well and septic systems are problem-free.
- Our reasons for purchasing this property was the lot size, was that the lot size enough to maintain reliability of a well system and a septic system. This gives us the choice of a 2nd location for both, if needed permits were obtained for both of these and should be honored.
- Having just built, I spent a good chunk of money on my system, and everything is great- you can understand I wouldn't turn around and want a new system put in. FYI* My only problem with my water was a high iron count, that has been taken care of and I have very good water.
- sewer & water rates cost too much
- I was at a meeting a couple of years ago where a majority of the people on Callon did not want city water & sewer. Why does this keep on the cities agenda. If repairs would be needed most properties have enough properties to make them.
- I am neutral on the whole issue
- It would be nice to get a ballpark figure for all expenses related to getting city water into my house.
- I'm a lot more concerned getting some retail (lumber & hardware store) in our area. So we don't have to drive so far to buy a 2 x 4.
- I would like the opportunity to continue using my well for outside watering purposes if we do get the water services. Do NOT want curb/gutter or sidewalks.
- John does not have enough land in the village to do anything with it.
- Parts of the area will need services sooner than others, Decker St. etc. Do to the proximity of the houses. Willard Ln is an area by itself with large lots, much lower contamination possibilities due to nitrates. A long-term plan would be a good idea 15 to 20 years unless large-scale contamination happened, which is unlikely. If when the service came thru there should be a maximum and a minimum paid for the frontage costs. This is a village improvement project not necessarily a residential improvement. The payback time is my biggest problem. Weston is made up of middle class families with low to medium amounts of expendable cash. My other concern is extending these services to areas where they are not needed. I can not say this strong enough, if there are areas where these services are not needed, do not force them on the people. Make a plan for the future and then shelve them until they are needed.
- I am very happy with my water/sewer service. Your survey is very one sided (don't fix what is not broke). How about a survey that shows's my savings every year???
- Check back in 20 years
- My water is great. My septic is solid in its function. I have alternatives if either should eventually fail.

- I have already contacted you concerning my change of address, but for clarification, I have sold the house/property listed below. I still own a vacant lot adjacent to property below and my survey answers reflect my feelings in relation to that lot.
- I have a higher quality of water for drinking than what can be provided from Weston. I would prefer to keep my well even when sewer & water become available.
- Extending sewer & water service south of the Schuster residence would require construction of a pumping station to service the 9 homes in this area. Combined with the costs of sewer & water lines would make it economically unfeasible. My well water tastes as good or better than water sold in stores.
- I am not against it, I just cannot afford it at this time.
- I will attend any new meetings on this neighborhood regarding this newsletter. Thank you for your attention to this matter.
- If too many of the septic systems are bad we need to fix the problem. But I don't feel we should fix something that is not broken.
- Our home is new not much need now. Planning is a good sign for growth.
- I've only lived in this subdivision since Sept. so do not know much about other systems I this area.
- Our current system is only 1.5 years old. I would like to see municipal service extended to this area, but not immediately.
- Due to the fact that my house is relatively new, I am not as concerned as many other people that my septic may fail. Cost is always a concern- along with financing.
- Note proper address below. With Caribou Acres and River Pointe so new, this area really doesn't have the extreme concerns as the rest of the Callon area.
- Our home is 350 ft back from Willard Ln. Our frontage is 167 ft so cost would be a big factor. WE currently have excellent water & a well-maintained septic system. We have plenty of room for an alternate system, should we ever need one. Soil in this area is pure sand, so excellent drainage. Neighbors near us the same.
- Our main concern would be quality water- however, our well is very deep, we have great tasting water, no odor. We maintain our septic and have a backup plan in place. We do not feel a need at this time.
- You told me at the other meeting I will have to have my water & sewer come from JJ. And would that be more by not coming off of Callon Ave. Leave me know.
- I think a definite timetable needs to be established. I don't want to spend any more money on water treatment equipment then get the notice of sewer and water installed.
- The properties in our neighborhood would be too costly to initiate sewer & water because of the size of the lots and the distance between homes and the street. If it is deemed totally necessary most people are only going to be able to afford about 20 % of the cost.
- Does the current middle school have sewer & water? Will the new grade school have sewer & water? What happens to our private holding tank drain field well?
- Cost and time frame for hooking up to house are a concern.
- There is not a septic system or well on my property
- All property owners on Willard Ln have ample room for replacing a failed septic system. Our well and septic are both in good shape with are water being safe and good tasting. At this time we do not feel the need for septic or water on Willard or in the near future. (perhaps 10 to 15 yrs)
- I don't trust the companies performing the installation of Sewer & water. I believe the process the town does for bidding on this work is fair, but I believe the monitoring of the work in progress is weak. Problems after installation always fall on the owners.

- I am sorry, but I am not sure about any of this. I do not have the means to have this installed. I try to keep up the best that I can.
- We have \$9500 invested in new well/septic and conditioning systems, and everything is running efficiently. We have no need for city sewer & water in our neighborhood. It would definitely be a set back for everyone in our subdivision
- According to the technical information provided, the average age of replacement is 22 years, although homes behind Fabco caterpillar began to have problems with their wells and sewer systems at 15-18 years. That would give my home 12 more years before there is a problem. In 12 years the road will also need replacement. The Sanitary District should implement a plan that will replace the water and sewer in 12 years, as it makes good sense.
- I have a private pond on my property and use the water for watering my lawn.

Comments: **YELLOW BANKS**

- Under no circumstances do I want city sewer & water.
- I like this area because of the private well, water for the yard, flowers, etc. Question #4 - If it is certain that water & sanitary sewer is to be installed, I think the road could wait and be all done at the same time, where we're located, I don't think we need sewer & water.
- (#3) Should try to install both at same time - reduced installation costs. We would very much like to see sewer & water installed along with the proposed re-construction of Camp Phillips Rd
- We recently put in a new well which cost a lot, but the water quality is still poor. We are also uncertain how much longer our septic system will last, but we surely cannot afford the costs of having the service come through.
- Any septic system older than 1978 could be monitored by the Village. Any household not emptying their system could be subject to a fine, or having the Village do it at the owner's expense.
- I am very happy with the private sewer & water I have now. It's one of the reasons I purchased my home. Please do not make any changes.
- I am completely against Village sewer and water! I bought the lot because it didn't have these things and I would like it to stay that way.
- Why would you put sewer and water in an area where you put in new streets last summer?
- No need for only servicing a half-dozen houses on this part of Camp Phillips Rd
- When we needed to replace our system, there was no help available. A lot of money to just cover up now! Let the neighbors who don't pump worry about their own now.
- We do not feel there is any need for curb & gutter on our dead-end street. No sidewalks!!
- We currently do not have a septic system. We have holding tanks which are pumped regularly. **Would like more info. Please call to discuss.**
- Although I am not in opposition to this proposal, I am highly concerned about cost. I would not be able to afford this according to your cost estimates, and I would not pay interest as part of a payment plan.
- I am primarily against any Village construction activity due to a drainage basin placed on my property, against my knowledge & wishes. Additionally, the new road took much longer than it should have. I don't believe the Village really cares about my opinion or concerns & will do whatever they please regardless.

- It does not make any difference to me if we get sewer and water or not, just so I know what to expect, as I have no trouble with sewer or water at this point.
- I think it's about time we get well & sewer system - I have lived here since the 60's - so I'm ready to have a water & sewer system that I do not have to worry about.
- I wish to remain on private property
- No need for water or sanitary sewer. Not enough homeowners in area. Approx. 10 in 1 sq. mile
- **Could bad water be in area from the Holtz-Krause landfill?**
- Out of town in that period
- Because of rising costs and the fact that it has to be done now. To have an island with no services in the Village that expanding services seems to be against policy, we should serve our existing residences first.
- Thanks for the survey. I feel the Village needs to develop a permanent plan and tentative timetable with cost estimates per foot. **Would we need curb & gutter as well?** As this is a small area & in my mind is not needed.
- Our neighborhood is old, many of us are nearing retirement & in no way can we afford what you are offering. It would cause us to lose our homes.
- We wanted a large lot for privacy. It's pie shaped with largest portion frontage. Our frontage includes gas line ROW = 75 feet. **Is gasoline company or us responsible?** We prefer our current services. Our well & septic are only 3-4 years old and have a lot of life left.
- I just installed a new septic system in Oct. 2004, and don't want to pay for another before needed.
- I don't think we will ever get sewer & water from Weston. If we ever get it, it will be from Wausau.
- Just for the record, I probably would have been in favor of this 2 years ago. I think the Village should consider some type of rebate on the special assessment in the form of a % based on how old your septic system is.
- One of the main reasons we moved here from Rothschild 4 yrs ago was the poor quality of water, and our well water now is great. We do not want to change. **Please send the survey results or print in the newsletter.**
- I only have 60-foot frontage on Camp Phillips Rd, but a 900-foot setback and a 1-yr old system. **Would I still have to connect?**
- If water & sewer is going in regardless of the desire of our neighborhood, I would want it installed when the cost is lower vs. in years to come-higher. I see no need, however, at this time.
- I do not see a need at this time under the information I heard at the meeting. I feel it will be forced on us even though there is not a majority need for it.
- **We have paid the sanitary sewer capacity fee (not sure what it was called), so if this capacity is shifted to a new neighborhood, what would happen to this money?**
- It will happen, sooner or later, but if there have been no major problems, why bother right now? There is so much more for the Village to be doing in this area of service in all the expansion areas - homes & new businesses - perhaps they should get the priority and revisit our area later on.
- We feel getting sewer & water would improve our area, be cheaper in the long run, because we have 3 filtration systems which are very costly now.
- The high cost of the installation of the sewer & water service plus the cost of curb & gutter is far too high (very bad tasting water)

- I could never afford to pay the costs as I am so far off the main street. I would have to leave my home of 54 years.
- We do not want water & sewer and do not need it.
- Why mess with water? If you shut down septic systems and put in city sewer, the water should only improve. And right now it is better than city water could ever be.
- At this time, our systems are working well.
- In the Mallard Ct. area, any systems replaced should be replaced with holding tanks because of high water table.
- There are many new systems in our neighborhood. Thus I feel it would be a huge waste of money to install water & sewer systems at this time. I recommend 10-15 years.
- Since we already stuck money into a system for water and we buy bottled water, our only goal is water pressure and less cost and upkeep
- We already have water, new septic would cost me \$10,000
- We have 2 new systems (1/5 years old) and don't need sewer or water services now. Maybe in 10-15 years, so we get some use out of ours. If or when services are provided, I would like to keep my well for outdoor uses (lawn, wash vehicles, etc.)
- We now have a holding tank with low capacity adding an additional tank would not be wise if we are going to get sanitary sewer. This is what our main interest is.
- My well & septic are fine and don't want to be on sanitary sewer service.
- Anyone who just built a house wouldn't want water/septic after just putting in well/private sewer. Already many costs to cover.
- I believe sewer and septic would only benefit - Curb & gutter - I am sick of having a pond in my yard due to no drainage.
- How would this be integrated with the Camp Phillips Road project when it appears that the County and the State control that??
- We all have large areas of land. This is very sandy soil & we have new homes that have paid already for septic systems. So I don't see the need at this time may be in 10, 15 or more years - but not now.
- (See Feb. 15, 2005 letter from Scott Turner)
- Would the "Yellow Banks Area" be cheaper hooking up to Wausau? Could you pro-rate systems less than 24.8 years if you're interested in passing this?
- **Please inform me on upcoming events on this project. I am very interested - thank you.**
- Would be nice to have a definite timetable so a person could plan for cost and or if problem comes up with well/septic system.
- Thanks for asking for our opinions. This questionnaire is an excellent way for busy people to have their (our) opinions counted.
- Wells & pre-78 septic systems should be tested to see if problems exist. Results of tests may change answers/priorities in this survey. (ALSO - see hand-written 2-sided sheet with comments on it.)
- Our home is only 6 years old. I (we) love our water (taste, quality) & we water our lawn with an in ground sprinkling system. The only cost is electricity to run the pump. We feel the State (Town) would be better serving the public if it would require the old systems to be brought up-to-date & be serviced on a regular basis. The only way we would like to see sewer and water is if the wells were contaminated. All of the homes in the area have enough room on their lots for an alternate septic system.

COMMENTS: RIVERBEND AND POWERS

- I understand the need for future planning when designing the surrounding system capacity. I would love to see a decision made in this regard as well. I do not want our neighborhood character altered by curb & gutter. I would also like to have a firm plan in place excluding our neighborhood from consideration. Thus I would feel that I can upgrade my septic system within the next several years without fear that the investment will be short term.
- In 5 to 10 years I will be ready
- Sorry about the delay just got back from Arizona.
- I feel these questions were made to be confusing and somewhat slanted towards the Village getting the answers they want to hear.
- Our private water (well) and septic meet our needs. We maintain the septic on a 3 years schedule and I feel everyone should to insure years of trouble free service.
- I'm ready & waiting for these services
- Street needs to be repaired, wish it to remain without sidewalk and curb, to retain rural feel
- I believe that when it comes time to do this project, the Village should contact a very reliable & lower bids after all if it wasn't for cost, I don't think many people would be against it
- We will be surrounded by sewer & water so we should be included. I would like to have sewer particularly, even though we have not had any problems.
- Please see comments above next to specific questions they pertain to and retype them up if needed. Note: 1 side of our typical lots are 200 ft excessive cost for public. Please also note: Schoonover Rd is not in Pine Ridge Estates. You are confusing neighborhoods in your minutes of meeting.
- What is the cost? This is our biggest concern.
- We did not receive this in the mail. I picked one up. It's possible there are others who did not, thus impacting your data collection.
- Prior to the extension of James Lee St a cistern was on the corner of James Lee & Richards which worked fine to take care of the run off water.
- I just built a new house here and have no desire to have city sewer & water. E
- Thank you for allowing us to have input into this matter.
- We do not want or need service at all. If it ever does come in here, my biggest concern will be cost as we have 165' on James Lee and 165' on Powers St (front). I would want the assessment based upon # of bedrooms, or square frontage. Why should a large family pay less than my 2 - person household simply because they have less road frontage. Even the minimum 100' maximum 200' I heard about is still unfair. Usage is not determined by lot size or shape.
- Storm Sewer / bring in fill around new homes so water runs away from their house and onto other peoples land is wrong!!!
- We believe that at some point our septic will probably need to be replaced. A major concern in are subdivision is the size and layout of the lots. It would probably be considerably less expensive to replace the septic than to pay the front footage cost.
- 6 months is a long time in waiting for follow up to this situation and survey. That in itself seems to say something.
- I see no reason to EVER bring water & sewer in our area KEEP IT OUT!!!
- I was unable to attend the public meeting held on 09/21/04 due to travel for business. I would be VERY interested to obtain info on estimated costs for sewer/water for my

property. I have already had to replace my drain field. I would prefer to invest in city sewer/water than an expired septic system & water pump.

- This survey was written in a slanted way, toward water/sewer. As long as I knew that water/sewer was never going to happen, I would be perfectly fine with well/septic.
- Although we support the installation of municipal sewer/water service there is no urgency to this issue for us.
- I think your survey was very complicated to understand, all the terms & big words you used, like you're trying to trick people into filling out something they don't understand! It should be basic yes or not & why questions.
- If water was to be put in, will the water be recirculated so it does not become stagnate? How will you be accessed? We lived on an outside corner lot with 95' of frontage, we bought the property with that in mind, people 2/an inside corner lot should pay both sides. People that have lots that accessed from James Lee and Powers both should be accessed for frontage on both streets. I don't mind paying my share but everybody else should do the same. Just like they do in City of Wausau, Mosinee's and Merrill. If the previous developers get money to connect now, @ either wait till time is up or we don't want sewer and water at all. Do you have to get rid of well or can we use it for irrigation?
- Comments made by other's on water quality of the public system. Rust, odor if this is true I would not be interested in public water system.
- Weston has one of the highest water & sewer charges in the area. What is the cause for this?
- The greatest concern is that the Village will one way or another use substantial pressure to have each property connected to and paying for the utility, eliminating the individuals choice.
- We just built 5 years ago, I am a widow the 2 kids and cannot afford to spend money on city sewer & water. We are still paying for the well & septic. I also do not want another quarterly bill. Although the quarterly bill is not as much a concern as the actual cost to put in the city sewer & water. In 15-20 years maybe I will feel like I got our money out of our current septic/well system.
- The size of the lots out here are larger than normal and will never get our money back. Talking to a lot of the neighbors some won't be able to afford it. People can't keep going on with al these rising costs every year. (taxes, gas, heating, etc)
- Our home and subsequently our well and septic system are only about 7 years old. We would like to see our system out live its usefulness before bringing in city water and sewer. We have no concerns about the quality of our water in fact we love our well water.
- At this time I do not believe this survey is applicable for my property. But feel that within 5 to 10 years a municipal sewer & water service will be needed.
- If it did go through, I don't know how I could pay for it, sure it would be nice but???(cost)
- Thank you for compiling information on costs and alternatives. It was helpful to us in determining our position on this proposed project.
- I have real concerns about the decision making process in the Weston Public Works Dept. whenever residents are invited to express opinions about a proposed project. I get the distinct feeling the decision has already been made and attendance is merely a formality. I will not trust the results of this survey as I would a show of hands in a public meeting.
- I have concerns of the potential path the project would take when it crosses the Eau Claire River. I believe my lot will be directly impacted.
- These assessments along with the new school taxes will almost double my taxes. I will probably have to sell the home that I built.

- Properties with over 1 acre lots like the Powers and Whispering River Estates have the land if needed to maintain or fix private systems.
- The property to be up for sale soon
- Under well logs and geological data, you list the bedrock layer in "Pine Ridge Estates" (Schoonover Rd) I believe you have the wrong name of the subdivision. It should be "Whispering River Estates".
- I would be forced to sell my property if the sewer/water assessments are imposed.
- River Bend and Powers Subdivision ought to be considered separately. See no need for municipal water/sewer on River Bend.