

## 1. Which is most applicable to you?

		Response Percent	Response Count
I live with my parents and/or couch surf at friends homes.		0.0%	0
I rent a home in Ferrisburgh and live here year round.		2.0%	3
<b>I own a home in Ferrisburgh and live here year round.</b>		<b>81.3%</b>	<b>122</b>
I rent a home in Ferrisburgh and live here seasonally.		1.3%	2
I own a home in Ferrisburgh and live here seasonally.		12.7%	19
I own property in Ferrisburgh, but do not live there.		2.7%	4
<b>answered question</b>			<b>150</b>
<b>skipped question</b>			<b>3</b>

## 2. How long have you lived in Ferrisburgh?

		Response Percent	Response Count
1-5 years		15.0%	22
6-10 years		15.0%	22
11-15 years		17.0%	25
15-20 years		7.5%	11
<b>over 20 years</b>		<b>27.2%</b>	<b>40</b>
over 40 years		18.4%	27
<b>answered question</b>			<b>147</b>
<b>skipped question</b>			<b>6</b>

## 3. Do you have children or grandchildren attending the Ferrisburgh Central School?

		Response Percent	Response Count
yes		17.4%	26
no		<b>82.6%</b>	<b>123</b>
<b>answered question</b>			<b>149</b>
<b>skipped question</b>			<b>4</b>

## 4. Why do you live here?

	Response Count
	129
<b>answered question</b>	<b>129</b>
<b>skipped question</b>	<b>24</b>

### 5. Do you think there is a strong sense of community in Ferrisburgh?

		Response Percent	Response Count
no		38.2%	47
yes		61.8%	76

Please explain. 96

answered question 123

skipped question 30

### 6. What would you like to see change in Ferrisburgh?

	Response Count
	109
answered question	109
skipped question	44

### 7. What would you like to see stay the same?

	Response Count
	93
answered question	93
skipped question	60

## 8. What are your biggest concerns about the future of this community?

	Response Count
	104
answered question	104
skipped question	49

## 9. In your opinion, in the next five years, what planning topics should we focus on? Pick ONLY YOUR TOP 5 topics and rank them, 1-5 in importance, 1 being most important.

	1	2	3	4	5	Rating Average	Rating Count
drinking water resources	<b>47.8% (11)</b>	13.0% (3)	0.0% (0)	13.0% (3)	26.1% (6)	3.43	23
local businesses	<b>28.3% (17)</b>	21.7% (13)	21.7% (13)	11.7% (7)	16.7% (10)	3.33	60
childcare resources	0.0% (0)	11.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	<b>66.7% (6)</b>	22.2% (2)	2.00	9
pedestrian and cycling infrastructure	9.1% (4)	20.5% (9)	<b>29.5% (13)</b>	18.2% (8)	22.7% (10)	2.75	44
agricultural lands/working landscape	17.8% (8)	22.2% (10)	<b>26.7% (12)</b>	<b>26.7% (12)</b>	6.7% (3)	3.18	45
public transportation options	16.7% (4)	20.8% (5)	<b>37.5% (9)</b>	8.3% (2)	16.7% (4)	3.13	24
outdoor recreation opportunities	8.3% (2)	<b>33.3% (8)</b>	20.8% (5)	12.5% (3)	25.0% (6)	2.88	24
Emergency safety standards (Access and preparedness-fire, storms etc.)	<b>29.4% (5)</b>	23.5% (4)	23.5% (4)	0.0% (0)	23.5% (4)	3.35	17
energy efficiency and conservation	7.7% (3)	12.8% (5)	23.1% (9)	<b>35.9% (14)</b>	20.5% (8)	2.51	39
village center development	<b>27.9% (17)</b>	18.0% (11)	21.3% (13)	16.4% (10)	16.4% (10)	3.25	61
road network safety	25.0% (5)	10.0% (2)	<b>35.0% (7)</b>	10.0% (2)	20.0% (4)	3.10	20

surface water health(wetlands, rivers, lakes)	<b>28.2% (11)</b>	23.1% (9)	17.9% (7)	17.9% (7)	12.8% (5)	3.36	39
local job opportunities	16.7% (7)	<b>31.0% (13)</b>	14.3% (6)	21.4% (9)	16.7% (7)	3.10	42
wildlife habitat	3.8% (1)	19.2% (5)	7.7% (2)	<b>34.6% (9)</b>	<b>34.6% (9)</b>	2.23	26
local amenities and services	3.4% (1)	3.4% (1)	20.7% (6)	<b>41.4% (12)</b>	31.0% (9)	2.07	29
scenic resources	0.0% (0)	21.4% (3)	<b>35.7% (5)</b>	14.3% (2)	28.6% (4)	2.50	14
affordable housing	17.4% (4)	8.7% (2)	13.0% (3)	26.1% (6)	<b>34.8% (8)</b>	2.48	23
commercial development restrictions	<b>34.0% (17)</b>	30.0% (15)	10.0% (5)	8.0% (4)	18.0% (9)	3.54	50
Other (please specify)							18
<b>answered question</b>							<b>121</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>32</b>

**10. Currently Ferrisburgh zoning is such that business development occurs in numerous areas along route 7. In the future, Ferrisburgh's town plan and zoning regulations could steer development (both residential and business) to create a more compact/walkable village center(s). Do you support this idea? If so, which of the following locations should we focus development?**

		Response Percent	Response Count
On either side of the intersection of Little Chicago Road, Route 7 and Middlebrook Road.		35.0%	42
On either side of the intersection of Stage Road, Route 7 and Old Hollow Road/North Ferrisburgh.		2.5%	3
<b>Both of the above locations.</b>		<b>38.3%</b>	<b>46</b>
Keep it how it is.		12.5%	15
Other (please specify)		11.7%	14
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>120</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>33</b>

**11. Which of the following do you most agree with? Check all that apply.**

		<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
<b>I would like a town center that is safer for pedestrians and cyclists.</b>		<b>64.7%</b>	<b>75</b>
A town center is not important to me.		12.9%	15
We should investigate water and sewer technologies to support businesses and homes in our town/village center(s).		47.4%	55
I would like a town green/outdoor event space.		51.7%	60
I want our town/village center(s) to stay the same as they are now.		11.2%	13
	Other (please specify)		14
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>116</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>37</b>

## 12. What do you think about residential growth in Ferrisburgh? Check all that apply.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Residential growth is too restricted by bylaws and permits.		8.7%	10
<b>Development should be limited in some areas of town, in order to maintain our natural and scenic resources.</b>		<b>73.0%</b>	<b>84</b>
I'm concerned residential growth is encroaching on our agricultural lands.		32.2%	37
I'm concerned residential growth is encroaching on our natural areas.		35.7%	41
I am concerned there are not enough affordable housing options for young families and seniors.		47.0%	54
	Other (please specify)		9
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>115</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>38</b>

**13. What do you think about business development in Ferrisburgh? Check all that apply.**

		Response Percent	Response Count
Business development should happen anywhere along Route 7.		21.5%	26
I like the idea of business development in/within walking distance to/ our village center(s).		53.7%	65
I am concerned that business development will impact our rural character.		38.0%	46
<b>Design standards should be developed for new buildings along route 7 (size, scale, style etc.).</b>		<b>63.6%</b>	<b>77</b>
Home based businesses should be supported in all zoning districts.		53.7%	65
I am concerned home based businesses impact our visual/scenic resources.		5.0%	6
Design standards should be developed for all business/commercial development in Ferrisburgh.		52.9%	64
	Other (please specify)		8
<b>answered question</b>			<b>121</b>
<b>skipped question</b>			<b>32</b>

**14. Do you want to be entered to win a \$50 gas voucher? If so, please provide your name and contact information below. This information will not be used for any other purpose.**

**Response  
Count**

46

**answered question**

**46**

**skipped question**

**107**

**Page 2, Q4. Why do you live here?**

1	easy access to surrounding communities etc. Burlington, Shelburne, Middlebury. Close to lake, peaceful and pleasant area.	Nov 13, 2013 1:45 PM
2	Because when I was looking for property to buy near Chittenden County I found a property in Ferrisburgh that I could afford, Yet now that Ferrisburgh seems to constantly want to raise property taxes I wonder if it was such a good choice. If I could find a job closer to where in VT I would really like to liver I would move.	Nov 6, 2013 9:04 AM
3	Lovely rural community with access to Burlington and Albany (we travel for business). Quiet, unpretentious surroundings: real Vermont.	Nov 5, 2013 6:22 PM
4	natural beauty, low population density, dirt roads, wildlife, water access, close to burlington and midd	Nov 5, 2013 3:56 PM
5	beauty, proximity to airport, burlington and middlebury. i prefer valleys and mountains and assison/ferrisburgh is a sensational valley	Nov 5, 2013 3:50 PM
6	the land is so pretty	Nov 5, 2013 3:43 PM
7	we love the town and want to participate	Nov 5, 2013 3:38 PM
8	The terrain, views, and Lake Champlain. It is unhurried, bucolic, and a treasure. Itis our hear's special place at Long Point and we are proud to be Ferrisburgh residents for 5-6 months of the year.	Nov 4, 2013 4:23 PM
9	I moved here 49 years ago for what was to have been a short stay and never left. I like the location, geography and the other residents.	Nov 4, 2013 11:31 AM
10	Location on Lake Champlain, Vermont culture, Friendly people	Nov 2, 2013 7:37 AM
11	Our homes are lake front family homes.	Nov 2, 2013 6:41 AM
12	affordable	Nov 2, 2013 6:15 AM
13	Great place to retire.	Nov 2, 2013 4:55 AM
14	Retired here and it is a great place to live. We made a great choice.	Nov 2, 2013 4:52 AM
15	I love ferrisburg and all the interesting people here.	Nov 1, 2013 9:43 PM
16	Lake Champlain	Nov 1, 2013 3:46 PM
17	To enjoy the lake and the rural nature of the town	Nov 1, 2013 1:24 PM
18	I like the lake	Nov 1, 2013 9:26 AM
19	Lake Champlain	Nov 1, 2013 6:00 AM
20	proximity to the lake	Nov 1, 2013 4:29 AM
21	Love Longpoint	Oct 31, 2013 11:52 PM
22	purchased family property. enjoy living on the lakeshore. easy commute to our primary residence and jobs in the Burlington area.	Oct 31, 2013 6:32 PM

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23	Summer activities	Oct 31, 2013 1:08 PM
24	Have a summer home that has been in my family for 50 years	Oct 31, 2013 12:04 PM
25	Lake Champlain, family history going back to 1930.	Oct 31, 2013 11:59 AM
26	Three primary reasons: 1) Lakefront property was affordable vs. other towns 2) Location and proximity to urban areas 3) The property we purchased was just what we were looking for	Oct 31, 2013 11:33 AM
27	Beautiful rural surroundings but with access to airport and other travel conveniences: i.e. Albany for train.	Oct 31, 2013 10:01 AM
28	quality of life	Oct 30, 2013 11:23 AM
29	I love the small town feel plus I grew up here. I lived away from Vermont for about 13 years and always dreamed of coming back. Wouldn't want to live or raise my kids anywhere else.	Oct 30, 2013 9:43 AM
30	It was the most reasonable priced house close-ish to Burlington and our house is near the lake.	Oct 30, 2013 8:33 AM
31	Because we wanted to be able to build a passive solar house to live in and bought land in Ferrisburgh to be able to do that.	Oct 30, 2013 8:01 AM
32	It is beautiful. Work locally.	Oct 30, 2013 7:36 AM
33	Like the area	Oct 30, 2013 7:33 AM
34	love the area and was close to work and the school system.	Oct 30, 2013 7:02 AM
35	My childhood memories brought me back, I've lived in other states and other towns within Vermont but find the natural resources here are incredible. I also travel throughout the state and the location puts Brattleboro and the NEK at about the same travel time making the location convenient in that aspect.	Oct 30, 2013 5:59 AM
36	Why would I live anywhere else!!!! I love my community.	Oct 29, 2013 9:33 PM
37	Rural community, scenic beauty, friendly people, and convenient location between Middlebury and Burlington	Oct 29, 2013 8:35 PM
38	I own a home here	Oct 29, 2013 6:13 PM
39	We love the lake!!	Oct 29, 2013 6:10 PM
40	It is a great place to live	Oct 29, 2013 6:05 PM
41	Love the rural feel and being close to Burlington	Oct 29, 2013 5:49 PM
42	The community and ease of access to Burlington.	Oct 29, 2013 5:21 PM
43	Its close to work and in the "country"	Oct 29, 2013 5:08 PM
44	Because we love our home and the community	Oct 29, 2013 4:56 PM

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45	I have lived here the majority of my life. Convenient location. Great elementary school that our children attended. Tax rate is one of the lowest in the State!	Oct 29, 2013 4:45 PM
46	Great town - good elementary school which our children attended.	Oct 26, 2013 1:57 PM
47	Born and raised here. Wanted to raise my children here.	Oct 25, 2013 4:25 AM
48	It is a beautiful place, where we raised our children, and have a strong community of friends around us.	Oct 24, 2013 4:00 PM
49	Love the landscape, the lake, the area.	Oct 24, 2013 12:13 PM
50	We built our home in N. Ferrisburgh 25 years ago. It has been a great place to raise our daughter. Nice community to live in.	Oct 24, 2013 7:20 AM
51	Vermont as it used to be.	Oct 24, 2013 7:15 AM
52	I grew up in this area and love the country life. We have a wonderful town in which we live	Oct 23, 2013 5:56 PM
53	I like the rural feel of Ferrisburgh and its proximity to Middlebury and Burlington. I love the access to water through our State Parks in Ferrisburgh. I like that our area of route 7 is not like Shelburne Road or Williston Road. I like the connection to Vergennes.	Oct 23, 2013 3:43 PM
54	It has a nice rural country feel. there are not a lot of houses jammed together. things are open and spacious like the country should be.	Oct 23, 2013 2:29 PM
55	Ferrisburgh is a beautiful and quiet community within reach of ample employment opportunities. There are numerous public access points for walking, for boating, for the quiet enjoyment of the world we live in. There are cultural resources available nearby communities, north or south. There are top notch hospital facilities north and south of us here. That's part of why I live here.	Oct 23, 2013 12:38 PM
56	Close proximity to family. Safe environment.	Oct 23, 2013 9:56 AM
57	I live here because it is a perfect midpoint between Burlington (where I socialize) and Vergennes (where I work). I enjoy the friendly neighbors and the rural atmosphere. Also I am able to live in a much more comfortable house for the same price as an apartment in Burlington.	Oct 23, 2013 8:48 AM
58	We found a house to buy that we liked and it was in Ferrisburgh. Can commute to either Burlington or Middlebury for work and entertainment. I have lived in Addison County for 35 years.	Oct 23, 2013 8:44 AM
59	My family is close. It is close to Chittenden County. Good schools.	Oct 23, 2013 8:27 AM
60	Love the area and was great for bringing up kids	Oct 23, 2013 6:12 AM
61	We built our home in North Ferrisburgh in 1988 on land that was located a bit off the main drag and yet accessible to our employment. It has been a good experience for our family and we have been very involved in school, local sports, and area activities. Ferrisburgh has a lot to offer! As with many towns in	Oct 23, 2013 5:45 AM

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	Vermont, we are a mix of long time residents and new arrivals with a variety of needs and concerns. We hope the community will continue to keep it's "small-town" flavor as it serves ALL of our residents in future growth.	
62	Family homestead and it's beautiful. Close to Burlington without the sprawl factor.	Oct 23, 2013 5:16 AM
63	It is where I was raised. I lived away for about 40 years--other parts of VT, FL, & CT. I have a sense of security having a sense of place.	Oct 22, 2013 9:47 PM
64	We came here to farm in 76.We own 2 businesses here.	Oct 22, 2013 8:45 PM
65	Accessibility to Burlington for work, affordable housing, great access to Lake Champlain, reputable elementary school	Oct 22, 2013 7:44 PM
66	The beauty of the place	Oct 22, 2013 7:42 PM
67	Was born here, family ties to town	Oct 22, 2013 6:21 PM
68	We have a seasonal home on Long Point. We love the lake and the community, which is why we chose to buy a cottage there.	Oct 22, 2013 6:02 PM
69	We spend the summers in Ferrisburgh	Oct 22, 2013 12:01 PM
70	Access to Lake Champlain and a preference for small-town life.	Oct 22, 2013 11:57 AM
71	I work from home thanks to high speed internet. I'm a video producer for an international expedition company.	Oct 22, 2013 11:29 AM
72	still a rural community - lack of chain fast food restaurants and big box stores is a good	Oct 22, 2013 9:27 AM
73	I work in Shelburne but like the more rural character of Addison County and especially Ferrisburgh. I moved here because we found a house with a great view that we could afford.	Oct 21, 2013 8:21 PM
74	convenience to both M'bury and B'ton; quiet serene location vs. crowded up north; not as "boondocks" as northwestern VT (Milton, etc); close to lake for fishing, swimming; nice location on Rte 7 makes it easy to get places	Oct 21, 2013 6:56 PM
75	It's beautiful and a nice distance from Burlington and Middlebury	Oct 21, 2013 6:52 PM
76	Quality of life in this state, jobs north and south of the little city, near the lake.	Oct 21, 2013 5:31 PM
77	We live in Ferrisburgh because we value the small town atmosphere as well as the rural landscape and preservation of natural beauty and resources.	Oct 21, 2013 4:49 PM
78	A safe, enriching community that allows our family to live and grow with clean air, quiet neighborhoods and like minded people.	Oct 21, 2013 4:12 PM
79	in the mid-80s we looked for homes within commuting distance of Middlebury and Burlington...we fell in love with our home in Ferrisburg and have been here ever since	Oct 21, 2013 3:40 PM

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80	beautiful area	Oct 21, 2013 2:24 PM
81	Beautiful, clean, safe, friendly, close to Burlington and Middlebury.	Oct 21, 2013 2:17 PM
82	We moved here to be closer to my job (at the Maritime Museum - I'm now retired), but like the physical setting of long views and farm land, and a quiet, rural way of life. We plan to stay in our house and our community as long as we can.	Oct 21, 2013 1:55 PM
83	I wanted property close to Burlington that had 5+ acres.	Oct 21, 2013 1:52 PM
84	Because it is a rural community within easy access to Burlington. Because the population is demographically diverse. Because a large percentage of the businesses in town are owner-operated, often my residents of Ferrisburgh which creates a strong community.	Oct 21, 2013 1:19 PM
85	We love the rural nature of Ferrisburgh, and its location between Middlebury and Burlington. We are not city dwellers, but Ferrisburgh allows us to shop in towns and cities without too much travel time. We also love being near the lake.	Oct 21, 2013 1:09 PM
86	Rural, picturesque, friendly. Close to Burlington, airport, interstate, etc.	Oct 21, 2013 1:01 PM
87	Love the land, and the community. And the proximity to Burlington and Middlebury.	Oct 21, 2013 12:58 PM
88	bc of the great school, sense of community, rural,	Oct 21, 2013 12:37 PM
89	We appreciate the rural setting and character of this small town.	Oct 21, 2013 12:26 PM
90	I live here because it is a quiet country community with and I moved here partly because at the time I moved I was looking for an excellent elementary school and FCS fit the bill	Oct 21, 2013 12:14 PM
91	Enjoy the lake champlain environment	Oct 21, 2013 10:51 AM
92	I like living in a small, quiet, rural community in which people know each other and look out for each other. I love the natural landscape of this area, the views it offers to Lake Champlain, the Adirondacks, and the Green Mountains, and I enjoy the chances it provides to enjoy the outdoors close to home. I	Oct 21, 2013 10:49 AM
93	Lake Champlain	Oct 21, 2013 10:28 AM
94	its where i have been all my life,and easy commute to work.	Oct 21, 2013 9:35 AM
95	Quality of life-small rural town, great school,	Oct 21, 2013 8:05 AM
96	We wanted to undertake some small-scale agricultural projects and found the antique farmstead we thought would best meet the needs of our family here in Ferrisburgh--despite the distance from our main center of activities (work & school) in Burlington. The relatively "unspoiled" rural character of the area especially appealed to us.	Oct 19, 2013 10:59 PM
97	We recently moved here, I have a job in Shelburne. We wanted to live in the country with a reasonable commute to work. Beautiful area, lots of recreation	Oct 19, 2013 8:28 AM

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	opportunities, nice place to retire.	
98	We love our location. We were within 5 minutes of our work and now we have a nice place where we are enjoying our retirement.	Oct 18, 2013 7:57 PM
99	It is close to the lake and mountains, and it is beautiful. It is convenient to our employment. FCS has a great reputation and is an excellent school.	Oct 18, 2013 7:34 PM
100	married a ferrisburgh native who loved the town. and it was only 10 miles from my native town	Oct 18, 2013 6:59 PM
101	- rural Vermont town - within reasonable commuting distance of Burlington - found a house that I love in the Hollow	Oct 18, 2013 5:47 PM
102	This is a second home, a vacation home on Lake Champlain. My family has been in this camp since 1945. The camp is a family treasure and tradition.	Oct 18, 2013 5:45 PM
103	chose the area; then found work.	Oct 18, 2013 6:49 AM
104	We like a rural setting with easy access to burlington and middlebury.	Oct 18, 2013 6:42 AM
105	In 1993 my fiancée and I need a place to live. We found an affordable house in town, and we have not had a desire to move since then.	Oct 18, 2013 6:20 AM
106	It is my home, my refuge, and place of contentment.	Oct 18, 2013 6:05 AM
107	Community and location	Oct 18, 2013 5:58 AM
108	Reasearch - Vergennes offers small town shopping / banks / large grocery store / restaurants. Lake Champlain - water activites.	Oct 17, 2013 7:32 PM
109	The land speaks to me. I love the farmers' fields, the woods, the clean air, the views of the Green Mountains and Adirondacks and the waters in Kingsland Bay State Park and the rivers. I love the pace of life, the town's emphasis on a good education and providing for our children, and especially Town Meeting day. I appreciate the work done by our neighbors in town governance, and our community.	Oct 17, 2013 6:23 PM
110	Good proximity to Vergennes, Middlebury and Chittenden County. More affordable than Chittenden County, decent schools.	Oct 17, 2013 5:43 PM
111	I retired here permanently after growing up here in the summers since 1964	Oct 17, 2013 5:35 PM
112	We love the area	Oct 17, 2013 5:25 PM
113	I can live pretty much anywhere, but this is the most beautiful place I found with the services (especially medical) available and reasonable distances from my wife's children. AND a bonus, really nice people.	Oct 17, 2013 5:17 PM
114	great place to live, beautiful landscape, convenience to B'ton and M'bury	Oct 17, 2013 5:12 PM
115	Because of the small town community, open spaces, dirt roads.	Oct 17, 2013 4:40 PM
116	The right mix of residents, woodland, open land, Lake Champlain, and central	Oct 17, 2013 1:23 PM

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	location between Middlebury and Burlington. Also the proximity to the mountains.	
117	Close to Burlington and Middlebury. We will have children attending school soon and the school has a good reputation.	Oct 16, 2013 5:57 PM
118	LIKE THE DIVERSITY OF THE TOWN; COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL/AG/WOODLAND/LAKE	Oct 16, 2013 7:36 AM
119	Location - the proximity of Otter Creek and Lake Champlain. Also the views of the Green and Adirondack Mountains.	Oct 15, 2013 10:14 AM
120	To be near family.	Oct 15, 2013 9:57 AM
121	I like the location between Burlington and Vergennes/Middlebury. I also really like the school system.	Oct 14, 2013 7:42 PM
122	Family has been in the area since the 1780's. No reason to live anywhere else.	Oct 14, 2013 7:40 PM
123	We moved here because it is close to burlington (and middlebury) but home prices more reasonable. We have stayed because we like the community, the people, the school - and we love the access to the he lake and rivers/creeks.	Oct 14, 2013 7:21 PM
124	Good reputation, equadistant to work north in burl and south to midd	Oct 14, 2013 7:19 PM
125	I enjoy living in a rural area, but close to "larger" towns like Burlington and Middlebury. Scenic Beauty. Proximity to Lake Champlain.	Oct 14, 2013 6:07 PM
126	Wife teaches at FCS. We love the area!	Oct 14, 2013 6:02 PM
127	We love the school, and the community supports the out-of-the-box farming techniques my husband wants to pursue. Also, it is within commuting distance of my job in Burlington.	Oct 14, 2013 5:44 PM
128	We were given land as a marriage present.	Oct 14, 2013 5:10 PM
129	Originally, we discovered the area because of some wonderful people we met who lived here. It was rural, yet close to a larger town (Vergennes). Not sure at the time where our jobs would be located, it seemed a good half way point between Burlington and Middlebury. What made it possible to buy a home here 21 years ago was that property taxes made it affordable to purchase a home. We could not have afforded Middlebury.	Oct 14, 2013 1:18 PM

**Page 3, Q5. Do you think there is a strong sense of community in Ferrisburgh?**

1	yes and no. some community members frown on commercial growth	Nov 13, 2013 1:46 PM
2	I think most of Ferrisburgh like other satellite communities near Chittenden county is just a bedroom town for people who work in the most populace and job holding county in the state which is Chittenden. I hate to say it but it seems like there are a lot of "Rednecks" in Ferrisburgh. The street I live on has a lot of young boys who love to drive way too fast with loud obnoxious trucks and cars.	Nov 6, 2013 9:08 AM
3	The addition of Front Porch Forum and the building of the Town Hall has contributed to a rising sense that we can come together as a community and make a difference.	Nov 5, 2013 6:23 PM
4	i'm too new to know, i hope so	Nov 5, 2013 3:51 PM
5	very little participation in gov. or activities	Nov 5, 2013 3:43 PM
6	I think that it is growing. There are the 'locals and 'suburban residents' the 2 groups are gradually coming together. There is a passive attitude that has been hard to overcome.	Nov 5, 2013 3:38 PM
7	I think so, particularly through the school. I don't get that sense for non-school related issues.	Nov 4, 2013 11:32 AM
8	In our area, people help one another. I feel the commitment to support the local craftsmen/farmers, as others around me do.	Nov 2, 2013 7:38 AM
9	Those you have children in the school community or live in Vergennes have a greater sense of community. Those that do not, may not have a strong sense of community.	Nov 2, 2013 6:43 AM
10	I think most people value the rural atmosphere and privacy afforded by that .	Nov 1, 2013 9:44 PM
11	Seasonal only, so not involved.	Nov 1, 2013 3:47 PM
12	Long Point community	Nov 1, 2013 6:01 AM
13	I don't know	Nov 1, 2013 4:30 AM
14	Just my intuition from reading about community events and hearing things around town.	Oct 31, 2013 11:53 PM
15	In the Long Point community	Oct 31, 2013 1:11 PM
16	I don't know, since I am a seasonal resident and spend most of my community time on Long Point	Oct 31, 2013 11:59 AM
17	New to the area but impressions so far would be yes.	Oct 31, 2013 11:34 AM
18	Yes. Geographical distances have made things difficult, but various causes and the creation of Front Porch and the town website have made a big difference.	Oct 31, 2013 10:05 AM
19	it is difficult to share community without having a downtown, local restaurant, or areas where residents can see each other and have opportunity to meet each other, visit together, etc	Oct 30, 2013 11:25 AM

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20	It's so spread out and part of town requires driving through Vergennes to access so it's a bit split. And there is no downtown and very little goes on at the Town Hall that is available to the general public. Maybe they could promote what's going on on Front Porch Forum more. I have no idea what's going on with the town - rarely a newsletter or update.	Oct 30, 2013 8:35 AM
21	I think where I live there is, but it is kind of sprawled out which makes it hard to connect everyone. Some of this is my own fault working too much.	Oct 30, 2013 8:03 AM
22	We dont have a regular attraction like Fourth of July events or Memorial day parade, etc.	Oct 30, 2013 7:36 AM
23	Yes, but I also think we're limited by the absence of a central gathering place. The school anchors the community, but for those of us who don't have kids in school, it's harder to connect with people than if we had a central hub with a coffee shop or something like that.	Oct 29, 2013 8:36 PM
24	Don't know	Oct 29, 2013 6:11 PM
25	My neighbors don't even care who new community members are. I invite them over and try to meet them but it seems like they don't want anything to do with us as new people.	Oct 29, 2013 5:08 PM
26	Not like it was when I grew up here	Oct 25, 2013 4:26 AM
27	Its a town that operates from a lot our of the 'old boy' network, as does most of New England. So, if you belong, I'm sure it feels strong. Vermonters are not friendly in any kind of out going way. They're great people, but not fundamentally friendly.	Oct 24, 2013 12:16 PM
28	We were more connected to the community when our daughter was in elementary school. After she moved on to Vergennes for Middle School we felt less connected as she was not involved in sports.	Oct 24, 2013 7:22 AM
29	there is a disconnect in the community, we are spread far apart and not enough town activity to keep people involved.	Oct 23, 2013 8:39 PM
30	We live in a town where people help people..	Oct 23, 2013 5:56 PM
31	I think the school has a strong sense of community, however, I think the town is divided in many ways: new residents/long time residents, supporters of schools/non supporters of school, pro development/anti development. We have tried town events in the past, and they don't get great attendance (except for 250), but that was special. Local attractions get very little support LCMM, Rokeby.	Oct 23, 2013 3:46 PM
32	I am not sure.... FCS is a great school, and that doesn't happen without a lot of community support. But it is really hard to generate interest in the volunteer activities that bind a community and to a large part, operate the municipality. It's hard to fill public offices, public boards, hard to get people out for meetings. But, I think those who live here feel very good about it.	Oct 23, 2013 12:42 PM
33	I think there used to be a stronger sense of community. Now it seems like a lot of	Oct 23, 2013 9:58 AM

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people moving in from other areas are trying to establish their beliefs as to how Ferrisburgh should grow, work, etc. I feel that the current school enviroment has a negative impact on the overall community sense.

34	The standing-room-only attendance at this summers' History of Ferrisburgh video screening says it all.	Oct 23, 2013 8:49 AM
35	I hear people brag all the time about living here; also bragging about the school.	Oct 23, 2013 8:45 AM
36	My kids attend Ferrisburgh Central School. The parents and faculty have built a great community around the school. Outside of the school the ties are not as strong. Perhaps the new recreation center will help bring a wider spectrum of people together. More local businesses could accomplish this as well. It is difficult when we all go to separate corners of the state for work to stay connected.	Oct 23, 2013 8:32 AM
37	As I said previously, I think the residents know they have "something" they wish to preserve in our town. We are halfway between Burlington and Middlebury and we want to keep that distinction and not be swallowed up through sprawl and development. We are on route but a very important place where one can pause, slow down and take a breath.	Oct 23, 2013 5:57 AM
38	As a member of the fire department I see the community come together at our events and in time of need I see neighbor helping neighbor.	Oct 23, 2013 5:17 AM
39	I know my generation and the one before us. Understand their values and sense of community--church suppers, Grange meetings. helping during a misfortune. There is a bond among farmers to assist each other during challenging times. But,I don't know West Ferrisburgh. I have no children so have not made connections with "families" from the younger generations. From what I read and hear about the elementary school, it feels like there is a sense of community.	Oct 22, 2013 9:52 PM
40	When we moved here there were 43 operating farms plus many small businesses.The farms are all but gone, the business district is a wasteland and there is ZERO leadership to bring the town back to a productive community.	Oct 22, 2013 8:53 PM
41	There is a sense of community but we wouldn't say that it is "strong." We have seen a strong community within the elementary school but not on a town-wide scale.	Oct 22, 2013 7:47 PM
42	There is somewhat, but nothing like when I was growing up here. But then, there were many more farm families and most people stayed in town for the work day.	Oct 22, 2013 6:22 PM
43	We are new here, but we have sensed a strong sense of community.	Oct 22, 2013 6:03 PM
44	I don't really know as we are not actively involved in the community.	Oct 22, 2013 12:01 PM
45	But as a relative newcomer to the town, I'm still learning about the town and the people who live here.	Oct 22, 2013 11:58 AM
46	No I do not feel any sense of community in Ferrisburgh. Not having school age children is one reason. But I also see a lack of center or community engagement. It appears to me that the Ferrisburgh town hall is seldom used for	Oct 22, 2013 11:34 AM

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community activities. I think that since the town has no physical center it is fragmented into sub groups.

47	In general, yes. This was especially apparent when we all rallied around rebuilding the Grange building. People do support their own projects like the schools, historical society activities, Friends of Ferrisburgh for Responsible Growth, etc. I do wish that more of the populace would participate in local government, run for school board positions, etc.	Oct 21, 2013 8:24 PM
48	I've only been here a few years. Before, I lived in Killington where we got "lost" in the sea of visitors. Recently we lived in western Maryland which is rural and mountainous like VT but the people there were SO extremely unfriendly to outsiders and very closed-minded to ideas of school gardens or "buy local". We could not imagine bringing our kids up in that kind of community so we moved here and we've been very pleased	Oct 21, 2013 6:58 PM
49	I see this strong sense of community in the support for our local school, at town meeting and when special issues arise people are there to support one another.	Oct 21, 2013 4:54 PM
50	Many people have children in school, friends next door or small businesses that bring people together.	Oct 21, 2013 4:14 PM
51	we didn't really feel community until we had children in school, then we did, but that was a long time ago	Oct 21, 2013 3:41 PM
52	Yes, but no thanks to me. I work in Burlington and have never had children in the school system so my world is fairly Burlington-centric.	Oct 21, 2013 2:27 PM
53	I have been involved in the recent effort to oppose the Champlain Oil development in the village. We found that there are a lot of people in town who have strong feelings about the future of the town, which is a good thing. We do not all agree on just what that future should look like, but most feel we should pay attention to development issues.	Oct 21, 2013 1:59 PM
54	I think the school and local churches play a big role in the community	Oct 21, 2013 1:52 PM
55	Yes. We have loved getting to know people from all walks of life who live in our town. We especially are grateful to the Friends of Ferrisburgh and the people working on future planning and zoning in order to keep our town small-town from being developed in a way that is not suited to our way of life. Big development should stay near the large cities like Rutland and Burlington where there is plenty of infra-structure to hook into.	Oct 21, 2013 1:12 PM
56	I live on the south end & feel more connected to Vergennes.	Oct 21, 2013 1:03 PM
57	Particularly when children and parents share the experience of public education.	Oct 21, 2013 12:58 PM
58	Many of the people living in Ferrisburgh share the same values, and want to ensure the character of the town stays intact.	Oct 21, 2013 12:29 PM
59	Particularly if you have children at the elementary school you'll feel a strong sense of community.	Oct 21, 2013 12:15 PM
60	As a seasonal resident at Long Point, I feel there is little interaction with the town	Oct 21, 2013 10:54 AM

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and no effort is taken by the town to include us.

61	Though I think there is a sense of community among those who live here, I also think it could be stronger. There could be more gathering places. The Grange Hall could be put to better use for community events. Small, local businesses could provide more opportunities to meet with or run into neighbors.	Oct 21, 2013 10:51 AM
62	Yes and no. Residents seem to have a loyalty to the town. Sense of history and place is special. Importance of multi-generational families is recognized. However, need to (re)build town center with a few amenities to (re)create sense of community. Maybe general store as still found in many rural VT towns. Ferrisburgh Bakery has potential and right location, between post office and town hall and near FCS. (The school does seem to have a strong sense of community.) Would like to see the town hall used more; it's a wonderful building and space. Maybe put together a group of people to come up with ideas to generate more use.	Oct 21, 2013 10:43 AM
63	there is a group of towns people that want to control growth but still want all the extras with little idea of how to pay for them without relying on residential taxes.this divides the people in town.	Oct 21, 2013 9:39 AM
64	Being involved in the FCS school I have been impressed at how many families are engaged in this community. I have also observed that politically Ferrisburgh is a divided community.	Oct 21, 2013 8:07 AM
65	I think there's a relatively strong sense of community, whether it be centered around the school, the historical society, town governance or other activities. I feel the opportunities for connection to and involvement in the community are here for whomever has the desire and time.	Oct 19, 2013 11:05 PM
66	Although we've only been here 6 months, we have met many people who seem to know lots of other people in the area, grew up in this area and care about the town and the school.	Oct 19, 2013 8:30 AM
67	Once our children finished elementary school, we have had very little to do with the town. School was great, but that was a long time ago. No doubt, we are to blame for not being more of a part of the community.	Oct 18, 2013 8:00 PM
68	The only downside to Ferrisburgh is that there is not a town green, or central location to gather. There is no market for locals. All the neighboring towns: Shelburne, Vergennes, and Charlotte, have a center, a heart of the village, in which to gather. I think this would help build community.	Oct 18, 2013 7:38 PM
69	the FPF, community at the Ferrisburgh school, community store (Vt energy).	Oct 18, 2013 7:01 PM
70	- town is geographically spread out, with few common public meeting places other than the school - select board does little to "build community" - until Front Porch Forum arrived, it was very difficult to have a community discussion about anything - no strong "town center" to anchor the Ferrisburgh community	Oct 18, 2013 5:50 PM
71	My camp is in the Long Point community and there is a very strong community among LP residents. There seems to be a good Ferrisburgh community but the vast majority of us are seasonal residents and have no children in the school	Oct 18, 2013 5:49 PM

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system so we are not as strong community members as we would be if we lived here full time.

72	But i believe it is fractured into different groups. I would like to see all these groups represented and working toward a uniform goal	Oct 18, 2013 8:57 AM
73	unless you have several kids in school, there is very little community.	Oct 18, 2013 6:49 AM
74	Front porch forum has helped me appreciate community more. We don't have much contact with people. Maybe because we don't have kids in school.	Oct 18, 2013 6:44 AM
75	Yes and no. Ferrisburgh is a geographically divided town. The Slang, Otter Creek and Vergennes physically divide our town. Therefore I feel we have senses of regional community within our town. The sense of town-wide community exists within those people who make efforts to celebrate our town, its people and its virtues.	Oct 18, 2013 6:20 AM
76	I don't know about 'strong' but there is a sense of community - pride in its history and enthusiasm for its future.	Oct 18, 2013 6:07 AM
77	Ways to get involved Once involved get sense of community	Oct 18, 2013 5:59 AM
78	We have only been here a few months - we have found neighbors to be very welcoming and community minded.	Oct 17, 2013 7:34 PM
79	It's here, where people gather and take care of each other, in our churches and societies, in community events- in our support for one another and those in need, as witnessed by our votes on town meeting day. Could it be extended still to others? Surely. (This kind of survey may be a start)	Oct 17, 2013 6:27 PM
80	There seem to be very few community events a that are not religion based. Since moving here last year, we have only been to one event (250th anniversary). That was a Ferrisburgh event.	Oct 17, 2013 5:45 PM
81	Most of the few local events are not that well attended.	Oct 17, 2013 5:36 PM
82	My community tends to center around the schools. I am not as active in the "town" community but try to stay informed and participate when I can.	Oct 17, 2013 4:42 PM
83	There is NO sense of community.	Oct 17, 2013 4:30 PM
84	Good participation on town boards and participants at hearings. Good voter attendance on town, regional and national ballots.Great participation at town events, school events, and Green Up Day.	Oct 17, 2013 1:26 PM
85	It's such a big town. I feel like I know people in my neighborhood, but beyond that I don't feel a sense of community. Perhaps this will change when I have children in school. There's just no community gathering space.	Oct 16, 2013 5:58 PM
86	YES and NO. YES - Good participation in town officers; planning/zoning/etc.and town activities. NO - Too many new comers and wealthy residents trying to mold Ferrisburgh (NIMBY's) into their version of a bucolic utopia. Appeals to conditionally ZBA approved permits for CoCo, Dollar General. Diversity is what builds a community lets not strive to be Charlotte.	Oct 16, 2013 8:00 AM

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87	There is little that ties everyone in Ferrisburgh together. People work in different places - Chittenden Cty, Middlebury, Rutland even - and other than folks with kids in school, there's not a lot that brings people together. It doesn't help that Town Meeting has been on Tuesdays so many cannot attend due to work commitments. Hopefully moving it to Saturday may help, but there's a long way to go. Also, there are many different regions in Ferrisburgh and it seems difficult to connect them - West Ferrisburgh from everything East of Otter Creek; North Ferrisburgh from everything South of Dakin Rd or so: the parts East of Rte 7 with the parts West, etc.	Oct 15, 2013 10:20 AM
88	Other than the school system there doesn't seem to be much binding the community together. Many properties are owned by out-of towners, and many people work outside the town. On the other side, the Fire Department and the Historical Society are positives.	Oct 15, 2013 10:07 AM
89	Yes and no, I feel some of the older and/or native Ferrisburghers feel they are being left out of changes going on in Ferrisburgh by they newer more vocal NIMBY's moving in especially when it concerns new business's and development; Co-Co/Family Dollar, etc.	Oct 15, 2013 7:07 AM
90	At the school there is a sense of community. However, there does not seem to be a central location that people from Ferrisburgh meet up at on a regular basis (I'm thinking of a general store or the like). Since Ferrisburgh is located mainly along route 7 it makes it very difficult for the town to have a community feeling when there is not a real sense of "downtown", or Main Street feel, with sidewalks or a central park to walk in.	Oct 14, 2013 7:46 PM
91	Yes, but over the last half century there have been a lot of changes, some not for the best. More turnover of housing, some folks less likely to get to know their neighbors, that sort of thing. But overall still really good.	Oct 14, 2013 7:42 PM
92	I think that people in the town lend a hand when it is needed, that people are engaged in the town and school happenings. I think the geography and town lay out does make it more difficult to bring the whole town together as a "community" though.	Oct 14, 2013 7:23 PM
93	I feel like people are too spread out. I wish there was a cute little town center, a gathering space. With my oldest in Kindergarten now, I feel like this will change as we get to know more families.	Oct 14, 2013 7:21 PM
94	But it could be better. Housing and services are rather spread out except in Vergennes.	Oct 14, 2013 6:09 PM
95	Good community - but hard to establish priorities that meets everyones needs.	Oct 14, 2013 6:04 PM
96	I honestly don't know. I think their is a sense of pride in the elementary school.	Oct 14, 2013 1:19 PM

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1	a little more commercial uses and growth along the Rt 7 corridor	Nov 13, 2013 1:46 PM
2	I would like to see property taxes go down. I would like to see a shake up in town administration. Too many long time family name and good old boy and girl networks controlling the town. I would like to see more jobs for working people.	Nov 6, 2013 9:16 AM
3	Ferrisburgh needs to plan for responsible growth, or the Rte 7 corridor is going to become a strip mall of chain businesses who have the money to fight to get in. It should enact plans that make it attractive to environmentally friendly businesses or mom and pop businesses, not the MacDonald's of the world.	Nov 5, 2013 6:26 PM
4	better downtown/village appearance more jobs	Nov 5, 2013 3:58 PM
5	encourage small business	Nov 5, 2013 3:51 PM
6	more local jobs, walking paths, bike friendly roads, a mix of housing and business	Nov 5, 2013 3:45 PM
7	more people to be involved	Nov 5, 2013 3:39 PM
8	Nothing in particular.	Nov 4, 2013 11:59 AM
9	Clean up vacant buildings on Route 7.	Nov 2, 2013 7:41 AM
10	Purchase the land behind the Town Hall to be used for future purposes	Nov 2, 2013 4:56 AM
11	Purchase the land behind the Town Hall to be used for future purposes	Nov 2, 2013 4:53 AM
12	I would like to see more protection of the watershed from agricultural pollution, ie no tolerance for cow manure spreading or slaughter by products left where they can pollute the rivers streams and lake. I would like all ferrisburg residents to protect any nesting bobolinks and meadowlarks in the spring and early summer. I would like ferrisburg's historic district to remain historic and not turn into a truck stop. Maybe the public beach could have a pavilion or gazebo.	Nov 1, 2013 9:51 PM
13	Tear down burnt out building on route 7...	Nov 1, 2013 3:48 PM
14	No	Nov 1, 2013 9:27 AM
15	More information on wetland maps and elevation requirements for flood insurance	Oct 31, 2013 1:14 PM
16	The amount of liquid manure that farmers spread on the fields; I get headaches and nausea	Oct 31, 2013 12:09 PM
17	1) Cleanup vacant buildings in the center to town	Oct 31, 2013 11:37 AM
18	I want to make sure we have zoning and planning laws that make it easy to enforce responsible and environmentally friendly growth, and I want to make sure that Route 7 does not become home to a bunch of chains so it becomes a strip mall. I would like to see the Select Board replaced, because they are a bunch of naysayers and do-nothings, who do all their important business behind closed doors.	Oct 31, 2013 10:10 AM

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19	local gathering spots, i.e. restaurant/diner, more local businesses, more town gatherings like the one for the 250th.	Oct 30, 2013 11:27 AM
20	I would like to see some business growth along Rt 7 so there are more options in town to shop as well as job opportunities. I do not want big box store type businesses but small community shops.	Oct 30, 2013 9:49 AM
21	Fund a recreation department or co-fund one with Vergennes. That would be a great improvement. Make the town hall space easier to rent - it's very expensive for small community groups to access or rent (like Girl Scouts, etc). There are almost no Ferrisburgh community hosted events - Vergennes has a bunch like parades and pumpkin festival, but Ferrisburgh does nothing comparable. Is it all just because there is no proper downtown? Hinesburg used to be a drive-thru town but they've done lots of smart development to create a real vibrant town space now. Would love some walking/biking paths!	Oct 30, 2013 8:39 AM
22	It would be really nice to develop the downtown..with shops or a restaurant for families..There needs to be a gathering space other than VT energy or the bakery which does not have seating even though they have great food. Please no fast food..Vergennes has these options that Ferrisburgh does not.	Oct 30, 2013 8:08 AM
23	I would like to see the community get off there hands and do something that would allow more industry into the town. One of the things that comes to mind is the empty spot where the Ferrisburg Roadhouse sign stands. It has been many years that this land has set there with nothing on it, only a sign and a bunch of tall weeds. The towns people has heard for YEARS that something was going to happen, and yet NOTHING. It seems that a small group always pops up and makes the town officials change there mind or at least table it until another study is done, and then nothing happens and most just forget the idea or project and it dies.	Oct 30, 2013 7:53 AM
24	More sense of community. Events that would bring the whole town together. More stop lights at difficult corners where people need to turn left onto Rt. 7. Little Chicago Road intersection and Old Hollow/Stage Rd with Rt 7 intersection. These intersections ask people to take their lives in their hand every time you try to use them and discourage people from making these trips.Better support for our local schools --it is tragic the High school had to close it's auditorium due to bonds just not passing. More affordable housing for folks who need housing below \$300,000 ! More access to wind or solar energy not fossil fuels. Stay on top of the drug problem. Have more treatment for people so they can move on. More good income local jobs	Oct 30, 2013 7:43 AM
25	Would like to see more Business come to Ferrisburg. Like a big food chain store other then Shaws, also maybe a fast Food Restruant like Mc Donalds or Burger King also a Family Restruant like the Road house ,Country Kitchen Maybe something for the pre teens and up.a family park with a dog walk also .	Oct 30, 2013 7:12 AM
26	Stop lights at our most dangerous intersections.	Oct 30, 2013 6:01 AM
27	I would love to see a rec center with an indoor year round pool!!!	Oct 29, 2013 9:53 PM
28	To the extent the Town develops, which is inevitable, I'd like to see the development managed in a way to foster a central hub which, in turn, will	Oct 29, 2013 8:40 PM

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promote greater sense of community. If there were a way to promote development off of route 7 but accessible from route 7, that would be great.

29	I would love to see something go in where the roadhouse was. It looks so sad. Maybe a new restaurant. I was talking with someone the other day about it would be great to have like a cracker barrel there or a nice chain that is not already in Vermont, that would still have a restaurant feel.	Oct 29, 2013 6:11 PM
30	More community events	Oct 29, 2013 5:49 PM
31	Taxes are high and I get little to no services since I don't have kids. There are town trails that are all marked private property by landowners so they are inaccessible...	Oct 29, 2013 5:10 PM
32	More opportunities for community activities. There was a rec program at one time that included yoga classes, etc., and more of that sort of thing would be nice. Reduced speed limits on side roads such as ours: Old Hollow Road in North Ferrisburgh. A stop light at the intersection of Old Hollow Road and Route 7.	Oct 29, 2013 4:59 PM
33	updated approaches to preserving our town's village atmosphere - traffic calming, updated zoning to enable smart development (encourage small local businesses but not large nationally-related businesses who will build large building that are out of sync with our small town and do not contribute to our community.	Oct 26, 2013 2:04 PM
34	Taxes	Oct 25, 2013 4:28 AM
35	I'd love to see a stronger 'Main Street' with vital, community engaging businesses, not drive through businesses. Downtown Ferrisburgh is now simply a stretch of Rt 7 that people drive through. And it has a gorgeous town office building that very few people actually use. Let's use it! The age range of people who govern is older - can we attract some younger energy, people with ideas and enthusiasm. There could be a lot more outreach to residents to participate. I'd love to see some of the JUNK in this tow cleaned up!!! Can the town facilitate incentive to encourage people to clean up their junk lots? The fire burned out building right downtown and the adjacent abandoned business there are perfect examples. Can we cut down the dead trees along the roadsides throughout the town? Can we sponsor some community activities, or co-sponsor activities with the Charlotte Senior Center for the older folks? Can we have community movie night -free for folks to simply get together? Monthly community suppers, folk music, jazz concerts, music programs for kids, etc, etc,. There are so many things we could be doing with the town Office Building.	Oct 24, 2013 12:32 PM
36	Not sure	Oct 24, 2013 7:23 AM
37	more small businesses, the town grange hall used more for all.	Oct 23, 2013 8:41 PM
38	I would like to see the Grange used for more events	Oct 23, 2013 6:03 PM
39	I would like to see a stronger sense of community and people compromising on issues to find common ground. I would like to see an addition at the school as we are running out of space. I would like to see more businesses that are local	Oct 23, 2013 3:55 PM

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	and worthy of a small rural town, not another gas station - we have plenty of those. We also have plenty of car dealerships.I'd like to see more diversity on the town comm. and selectboard: long time residents, new residents, females/males and variety in expertise - seek out community members with skills for running a town.	
40	more small business to create employment for our people.	Oct 23, 2013 2:31 PM
41	School environment- more supportive and less punitive	Oct 23, 2013 10:21 AM
42	A better "downtown" and safer traffic rules.	Oct 23, 2013 8:56 AM
43	I would like to see the burned out/abandoned buildings and structures cleaned up, torn down or repurposed.	Oct 23, 2013 8:50 AM
44	More businesses. More paved roads.	Oct 23, 2013 8:34 AM
45	The selectboard	Oct 23, 2013 7:26 AM
46	Concern for speed limits, maybe traffic light by Short Stop Mobil intersection	Oct 23, 2013 6:14 AM
47	More affordable energy options - solar, etc. Intensive support of farming.	Oct 23, 2013 6:04 AM
48	More of a community center, a spot for senior or teens to meet.	Oct 23, 2013 5:22 AM
49	An annual community-family gathering (other than Town Meeting). Change locations--the Hollow one year, West Ferrisburgh another and Ferrisburgh Center another. It would be nice if residents had more interest in town policies and practices, more people ran for office. Should the Selectboard have subcommittees to handle some of the business so members don't feel so overwhelmed with managing town business? Finally, We need senior housing similar to that on Armory Lane. Our population is aging and many will have to find alternative living arrangements as they require more assistance and less home maintenance in advancing age. Moving out of town takes people away from their community and many supports they have come to rely on. It becomes a life changing and sometimes traumatic experience.	Oct 22, 2013 10:09 PM
50	Start with the Selectboard.	Oct 22, 2013 9:00 PM
51	Better recreation facilities. It seems crazy to live in such a rural place and not have access to great running/biking trails. We used to live in suburban areas (Boston, NYC) and there were better recreation trails in those areas than there are here in Ferrisburgh. As runners and bikers ourselves, we see so many opportunities to create trails through the woods. Runners/bikers come through Ferrisburgh regularly but, unfortunately, need to stay on the busy roads. Love the community effort to build a skating rink. We'd love to see it covered! Also, let's take better advantage of the Grange. It's hardly used for public events. The Ferrisburgh history/movie celebration in the spring was so well attended. Capitalize on that energy. More social events, movies, coffeehouses, potlucks, etc at the Grange. Establish a recreation committee/commission to expand and centralize recreation efforts (soccer, town volleyball at the school's beach court, pick up basketball, road races, bike races, the opportunities are endless). How about creating an outdoor "amphitheater" behind the grange where we can have	Oct 22, 2013 8:10 PM

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picnic concerts in the summer? Kids can run around on the playground and families can listen to music. There's a natural slope in the back with a great view. Let's use it. With inclement weather we could move inside. Find a way to better connect the grange with the school to create more of a community center. Get ACTR bus to do drop off/pick ups in central Ferrisburgh (i.e. Fire Station, Bake Shop or Grange). We'd also like to see the Ferrisburgh town boards (planning, selectboard, etc.) reach out to newer members of our community who may have fresh and more progressive, future-minded ideas. Let's encourage more folks to join those boards/committees.

52	Not much. I want the North Ferrisburgh PO to stay open	Oct 22, 2013 7:43 PM
53	Ferrisburgh's commercial area along Rt. 7 is an eyesore. I would love to see the development of a small but vibrant downtown core with character near the intersection of Rt. 7 and Little Chicago Road.	Oct 22, 2013 6:10 PM
54	Ferrisburgh has great potential. It appears to me that the town has little aspirations or goals for improvement. I think this is reflected in the relatively low turnout at town meetings. The physical appearance of Ferrisburgh along rt7 does not reflect the beautiful landscapes within the town limits. The burned out store front, quicks stops for gas and a general run down appearance are not encouraging or attractive. There is no place to walk, run or exercise. Which are all gathering points for people to get to know each other. I live on Greenbush road which has now become a defacto bypass for rt7. It's not uncommon for cars, trucks and farm equipment to travel at 50, 60 miles per hour. We desperately need a stop light at the dangerous corner of old hollow and rt7. This intersection has become a exit for commuters traveling on spear street in order to avoid rt7.	Oct 22, 2013 1:12 PM
55	Addition of an inviting town center, combining town government and enterprises such as retail shops and offices. Would also like to make sure that the town protects the lake shore and water quality, probably our most important assets.	Oct 22, 2013 12:06 PM
56	Installing a traffic light at intersection of RT 7 and Stage/Old Hollow Rd- PLEASE- before there is a fatal accident	Oct 22, 2013 9:31 AM
57	Planned development of the town in general and the town center especially. The town should buy the parcels of land that adjoins the school and Town Hall land and plan and promote a village center with mixed use construction, apartments over shops and professional offices, senior housing, grocery store that folks can walk to, a green. Commercial properties and even light industry could be attracted to the properties adjoining the railroad that I believe will be a real draw in the future. I believe that Hinesburg has doon a good job in planning and controlling their growth and Ferrisburgh should do the same. Traffic calming measures should be taken for Route 7 in and around the town center. Businesses like the Bake Shop should be encouraged and cookie cutter gas stations and chain stores should be discouraged in and near the town center along Route 7. The best place for them is in Ferrisburgh north and west of Vergennes. A bit further afield, we should support a major bond to improve Vergennes Union High School while interest rates are still low.	Oct 21, 2013 8:39 PM
58	Traffic control at intersection of Little Chicago/Middlebrook/Rte 7. And also build up of safe pedestrian options in that area to designate a "school" area and	Oct 21, 2013 7:09 PM

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	encourage drivers to slow down more than the posted 40mph. Traffic control at intersection of Old Hollow/Stage/Rte 7. More options for good down home inexpensive dining for families who can't afford the current options (not including Luigi's which is just bad and dirty)	
59	I would like to see our 'main strip' beautified.	Oct 21, 2013 6:55 PM
60	A controlled plan to combat urban sprawl, polluting non- community minded businesses and over building or track homes. We need a town center that helps define our vision of togetherness.	Oct 21, 2013 4:22 PM
61	More commercial development on RT 7	Oct 21, 2013 4:07 PM
62	could do something about all the old business signs on route 7 where the businesses no longer exist....kind of makes it look shabby as you enter and leave Ferrisburgh; need a traffic light on Middlebrook Rd and Rt.7--that intersection is almost impossible to get across in the commuter/school morning traffic	Oct 21, 2013 3:46 PM
63	I like it the way it is.	Oct 21, 2013 2:29 PM
64	Leadership with more vision and willingness to listen to a range of ideas and views regarding development.	Oct 21, 2013 2:06 PM
65	I struggle with the balance of rural life with the desire for more services (paved roads, town water, sewer, etc.)	Oct 21, 2013 1:54 PM
66	Less strip development.	Oct 21, 2013 1:20 PM
67	The zoning laws so out town will not be spoiled by big companies or corp. who are just looking to make a profit without regard to our way of life, and the scenic beauty Ferrisburgh offers. We want to keep it unspoiled!!!	Oct 21, 2013 1:16 PM
68	Encourage businesses to set up shop in keeping with the rural atmosphere to strengthen the local economy.	Oct 21, 2013 1:15 PM
69	More community activities and public access/activities around and near the lake.	Oct 21, 2013 1:01 PM
70	a larger elementary school.	Oct 21, 2013 12:39 PM
71	More projects that encourage the community aspect of the town. For example: bike paths and other shared recreational spaces. Also, incremental growth of local businesses that have positive impact on the town and the state of Vermont.	Oct 21, 2013 12:34 PM
72	I would like to see some sort of 'abandoned vehicles' measure put in to place. If an unused, or disabled, automobile/tractor/etc. must be kept away from property lines.	Oct 21, 2013 12:20 PM
73	I would like to see more thought put into what kinds of commercial development take place in town. Route 7 in town needs to be kept village-like. Large-scale, cookie-cutter development should not be permitted. Small, locally owned businesses that cater to local needs should be encouraged. One example of such development would be a restaurant along the lines of the Bobcat in Bristol or the new pub in Hinesburg.	Oct 21, 2013 10:58 AM

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74	Would be nice to have an inviting and attractive town center, which might generate some revenue for the town, too. Burned-out and abandoned buildings are not good. Strip development, which might generate revenue for the town initially, will end up costing the town over time. Important to engage a professional town planner, who can explain such points to town leadership. Rules and regs need to be followed and there need to be consequences when they're not.	Oct 21, 2013 10:47 AM
75	i would like to have the people that want all the control in town as far as growth understand you cant build sidewalks,rebuild old outdated buildings,build playgrounds,invest in feel good green power savings that will be junk before the return on investment,without some money from other sources than residential tax payers.you need business's in town.	Oct 21, 2013 9:45 AM
76	I would like to see a healthy balance between small-scale appropriate growth and preserving the rural feel of Ferrisburgh. I believe there are huge development pressures on Ferrisburgh (especially in the Rt 7 corridor). I think zoning regulations need to be changed to address development pressure with a vision towards what we want our town to look like in 40 years. I would like to see the town center continue to be developed as a community centered area with safe and accessible pedestrian and bicycle access.	Oct 21, 2013 8:16 AM
77	Don't know.	Oct 19, 2013 8:31 AM
78	I have no complaints.	Oct 18, 2013 8:02 PM
79	I would like some type of sweet, charming town green. A central location with a small market (not a huge grocery store), our own library, a coffee shop, place for evening concerts in the summer. Places where townspeople could gather. Nothing expansive, just a heart of town, a center hub. A place where you could bump into your neighbors.	Oct 18, 2013 7:47 PM
80	select board,	Oct 18, 2013 7:11 PM
81	Less of a tax penalty for owning a second home here. There is a substantial tax penalty and we put virtually no demand on Town services.I am not optimistic about this changing!	Oct 18, 2013 5:57 PM
82	- sensible development and new life in the town center, that benefits the people in town more than the folks driving by - more community spirit - more community mingling places would help	Oct 18, 2013 5:53 PM
83	more community events; more identity. we are a bedroom community with no roots.	Oct 18, 2013 12:50 PM
84	The long convoluted process to get permits. It discourages me that we have commercial property vacant because a core group feels it doesn't fit in. Our plan needs stronger language to support a diverse community.	Oct 18, 2013 9:02 AM
85	Rt. 7 stretch between bakeshop and dock doctor, especially on the west side is an eyesore.	Oct 18, 2013 6:46 AM
86	The outlook on what the future will bring to our town. A solid vision of future	Oct 18, 2013 6:22 AM

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	development pressures is right under our noses, if we only look around at surrounding communities and how they have changed over the years. A friend that has lived in Shelburne for his entire 80 years tells of how Williston Road, west of UVM, was a dirt road lined with a farm and cows; how there was only one traffic light on Shelburne Road into Burlington. Houses will be built, businesses will come and go, the buildings that house those businesses will remain. In the future everything that is built, and the manner in which it is built on the land within our town will impact the sense of community in Ferrisburgh	
87	More people involved in the community outside their home.	Oct 18, 2013 6:12 AM
88	?	Oct 18, 2013 6:00 AM
89	I would like to see Ferrisburgh grow (farms & families) while maintaining the integrity of the landscape and natural spaces. It would be great to attract small, local businesses. It would also be great to have a community recreation spaces - walking and ski trails; a way kids could bike to school safely.	Oct 17, 2013 7:37 PM
90	Fire Department - engine on west side of town to more quickly answer calls on Lake side of town.	Oct 17, 2013 7:36 PM
91	Maybe more of a town center	Oct 17, 2013 6:32 PM
92	A rec path would be nice, more community events. Town 5/10k?	Oct 17, 2013 5:46 PM
93	More businesses and restraints	Oct 17, 2013 5:27 PM
94	Taxes are way too high - for value received.	Oct 17, 2013 5:21 PM
95	More sense of community. Actual functioning, forward looking local government.	Oct 17, 2013 4:31 PM
96	The way in which the dirt roads and roadside trees and vegetation are maintained.	Oct 17, 2013 1:34 PM
97	I had a coworker as me in all seriousness, "why does the center of Ferrisburgh look like it had a tornado go through it?" Seriously, it all looks terrible. Vacant buildings, burned out buildings and lots, marshy areas. People didn't want a new gas station so instead we have nothing. Let's concentrate on developing the Route 7 corridor in town. Development can be good, if it fits the town plan. North ferrisburgh seems to be ok. What's the difference?	Oct 16, 2013 6:04 PM
98	The way in which our roadways are maintained as it applies to roadside trees and brush, current method is un-sightly and gives visitors a sense of slopiness. Establishment of designated mooring areas within the	Oct 16, 2013 8:06 AM
99	Fewer houses isolated at the end of long driveways, so there is more "wild" habitat. More opportunities for SAFE walking and bicycling.	Oct 15, 2013 10:21 AM
100	Clean up some of the properties along Route 7.	Oct 15, 2013 10:10 AM
101	More of a sense of downtown - sidewalks, places for people to walk. More opportunities for restaurants or shops. It would be nice to build up the area around the town offices and the school and historical society. More places like Cookie Love and VT Flannel and STarry Night Cafe.	Oct 14, 2013 7:49 PM

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102	Elimination of people living in poverty and just scraping by. Too big a disparity between the gilded mansions on the lake and the substandard housing seen in many places elsewhere.	Oct 14, 2013 7:44 PM
103	I believe that the select board has a narrow view of the direction the town should be going in, and often only consider the monetary cost of things and would like to see the members be more open to new ideas. I would like to see greater communication and collaboration between the school and town officials, possibly community service projects. I would like to see the development of a recreation department and the growth of centralized recreational facilities for the whole community.	Oct 14, 2013 7:29 PM
104	More of a town center, gathering place with shops	Oct 14, 2013 7:22 PM
105	Stronger village streetscapes in North Ferrisburgh and Ferrisburgh, while preserving open space in rural areas. Improved community access to the Lake and upgrading park areas.	Oct 14, 2013 6:14 PM
106	Less used auto dealers!!! Need town water in cost effective option!	Oct 14, 2013 6:08 PM
107	more traffic lights on rt. 7 -- especially New Haven Rd intersection and Little Chicago Rd intersection. I'd love to see a contra dance or other community events in the Grange Hall, and why can't we vote there? It would make much more sense than the school, and it seems like the grange is under-utilized.	Oct 14, 2013 5:48 PM
108	I would like to see the land at the intersection of Rt 7 and Rt 22A turned into a public/private partnership with the public part of the partnership being sports fields and park activities.	Oct 14, 2013 5:14 PM
109	I would like safe, off road places to walk. I'd like a foot path along Sand road that led into Vergennes. My husband would like a bike path. I know many groups spend lots of money to come to Vermont to ride our roads, but I don't think they are safe. There are no shoulders to pull off and there are far too many speeding cars & trucks.	Oct 14, 2013 1:32 PM

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1	Not Much.	Nov 6, 2013 9:16 AM
2	The rural character.	Nov 5, 2013 6:26 PM
3	small town accessable government town meeting light/small art of burency	Nov 5, 2013 3:58 PM
4	the large agricultural community of farms, low density	Nov 5, 2013 3:51 PM
5	openess	Nov 5, 2013 3:45 PM
6	families living here	Nov 5, 2013 3:39 PM
7	The mixture and variety of land uses in town. The town has changed in the past 49 years, but only gradually and I like that.	Nov 4, 2013 11:59 AM
8	Keep farmland. limited development outside center of town.	Nov 2, 2013 7:41 AM
9	Maintaining the rural landscape and avoid housing development and support local agriculture.	Nov 2, 2013 6:45 AM
10	The historic district, the rural nature, the forests protected from logging.	Nov 1, 2013 9:51 PM
11	Slow speed limit on route 7 through town...	Nov 1, 2013 3:48 PM
12	Yes	Nov 1, 2013 9:27 AM
13	prevent sprawl and mcmansions. Allow Vermonters to remain property owners. At Long Point, long time Vermont families are being forced out because of taxes and properties are being sold to out of staters who want paved roads, side walks and all the "civilized amenities" of NJ, NY and MA that they have left behind.	Oct 31, 2013 6:35 PM
14	The local stores, the town hall, etc.	Oct 31, 2013 12:09 PM
15	1) Farming and farmland	Oct 31, 2013 11:37 AM
16	The rural character of the town. We should be making efforts to preserve the open land as much as possible.	Oct 31, 2013 10:10 AM
17	the working landscape	Oct 30, 2013 11:27 AM
18	The small town feel that I remember growing up with. Friends and neighbors helping friends and neighbors.	Oct 30, 2013 9:49 AM
19	I appreciate the recreation group's efforts for a skating rink near the school. That was nice! More well coordinated items like that would be nice.	Oct 30, 2013 8:39 AM
20	The natural beauty. The many lovely beach access parks. Keep local schools strong.	Oct 30, 2013 7:43 AM
21	the accessibility of Ferrisburg	Oct 30, 2013 6:01 AM
22	The open space.	Oct 29, 2013 9:53 PM
23	Minimal strip development. I like the way Route 7 development is confined to	Oct 29, 2013 8:40 PM

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	development zones, and would hate to see those bleed into one long strip.	
24	The upkeep that is done looks great! I know there are some other towns that do not take as great of care of their grounds.	Oct 29, 2013 6:11 PM
25	Quiet town	Oct 29, 2013 5:49 PM
26	More town trails available for us.	Oct 29, 2013 5:10 PM
27	The quiet, calm way of life. Sense of community and love of the land.	Oct 29, 2013 4:59 PM
28	atmosphere of community. Maintain sense of small but vibrant town.	Oct 26, 2013 2:04 PM
29	Farms and natural areas	Oct 25, 2013 4:28 AM
30	Respect for the scenic place it is.	Oct 24, 2013 4:03 PM
31	The glorious pastoral/ag land use.	Oct 24, 2013 12:32 PM
32	Not sure	Oct 24, 2013 7:23 AM
33	keep the community rural but provide the citizens with more community involvement so that we get to know each other and are helpful to each other.	Oct 23, 2013 8:41 PM
34	I like that route 7 is not built up. I like the rural character of the town and hope that this stays with us. I like that there is some home development for new families to move in. I like the push for PACE and energy efficiency in the town, though that may have recently taken a set back from selectboard.	Oct 23, 2013 3:55 PM
35	the number of houses	Oct 23, 2013 2:31 PM
36	I like the blend of large swaths of protected agricultural land, with single family houses somewhat spread about the perimeter of that land.	Oct 23, 2013 12:46 PM
37	Family oriented activities. Wide open spaces.	Oct 23, 2013 10:21 AM
38	The empty field across from VT Energy should stay empty. The rural beauty of Ferrisburgh is, in itself, a key resident.	Oct 23, 2013 8:56 AM
39	Keeping the town center.	Oct 23, 2013 8:50 AM
40	Sense of Community	Oct 23, 2013 6:14 AM
41	Do not allow sprawl and the pressure of development. Keep restrictions - designate forever free land parcels. Vt. needs to keep a rural/agriculture feel - what we are known for and why tourists (\$) flock.	Oct 23, 2013 6:04 AM
42	Keeping fast food and drive thru eateries away. Preserving the mom and pop local businesses.	Oct 23, 2013 5:22 AM
43	The width of RT 7 through Ferrisburgh should not get any wider. The same stretch of road should not be host to fast food places and other "generic" businesses found all across the county. How would anyone know they were in Vermont if Rt7 was lined with Wendys, Subway, and the like at community	Oct 22, 2013 10:09 PM

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	centers.	
44	Since most things have changed in the last 25 years,I guess not much	Oct 22, 2013 9:00 PM
45	Continued efforts in renewable energy.	Oct 22, 2013 8:10 PM
46	Everything	Oct 22, 2013 7:43 PM
47	The open farmland mixed with woods, streams, and hills. It is beautiful. I would hate to see poorly-planned development in this open land.	Oct 22, 2013 6:10 PM
48	I would love to see our town hall become an active center of town life; more than just town offices. A place where both the locals and newcomers can get to know each other.	Oct 22, 2013 1:12 PM
49	Small-town feel; strong local schools; beautiful surroundings.	Oct 22, 2013 12:06 PM
50	sense of still being a farming/ rural town	Oct 22, 2013 9:31 AM
51	Sense of community. Low impact, people centered development in and around the Town Center.	Oct 21, 2013 8:39 PM
52	Historical integrity and rural charm	Oct 21, 2013 6:55 PM
53	the rural landscape, farms, state parks	Oct 21, 2013 5:04 PM
54	The rural and agricultural roots this community was built from should celebrated and integrated into the town center. Identity is crucial to bridge the generational gaps that exist today and inhibit thoughtful growth.	Oct 21, 2013 4:22 PM
55	don't want to see COCO business go in at all...needs to go somewhere else...	Oct 21, 2013 3:46 PM
56	I like it the way it is.	Oct 21, 2013 2:29 PM
57	The basically rural nature of the town. Keep as much farm land as possible.	Oct 21, 2013 2:06 PM
58	same as # 6. Finding the balance between rural life and current opportunities.	Oct 21, 2013 1:54 PM
59	A limit on the size and type of commercial properties that can be located on Rt 7. We are not anti-business, but just want things that are appropriate for our town. Small businesses are most welcome as long as they follow all the guidelines for developing their properties.	Oct 21, 2013 1:16 PM
60	Rural atmosphere.	Oct 21, 2013 1:15 PM
61	The rural, undeveloped character.	Oct 21, 2013 1:01 PM
62	the rural feeling, the elementary school--quality of teaching!	Oct 21, 2013 12:39 PM
63	I'd like to see Ferrisburgh continue to maintain its rural character.	Oct 21, 2013 12:34 PM
64	The natural beauty and lack of commercialization. The informality of town government. The historic buildings.	Oct 21, 2013 10:58 AM

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65	Rural nature of the town. Leadership of long-time residents. Great school, which attracts young families to the community.	Oct 21, 2013 10:47 AM
66	Quality school - some conserved land /open views	Oct 21, 2013 8:16 AM
67	The rural land and farming needs to continue.	Oct 19, 2013 8:31 AM
68	I love where we live and I would not want to see any big changes in our neighborhood.	Oct 18, 2013 8:02 PM
69	I love the look/feel of the new town hall. It is beautiful. I love that it has some community events going on there.	Oct 18, 2013 7:47 PM
70	continue to build the historic town center. (meeting hall)	Oct 18, 2013 7:11 PM
71	The rural character.	Oct 18, 2013 5:57 PM
72	- retain rural character of the town (vs "suburban")	Oct 18, 2013 5:53 PM
73	The independent nature passed down thru generations of Vermonters	Oct 18, 2013 9:02 AM
74	Most everything	Oct 18, 2013 6:46 AM
75	Agriculture. The Central School. Small locally owned businesses. Reverence for the local history and the people that have worked and lived here.	Oct 18, 2013 6:22 AM
76	People caring for each other.	Oct 18, 2013 6:12 AM
77	Keep small town feel	Oct 18, 2013 6:00 AM
78	Farming; open spaces and natural landscape. Dirt roads.	Oct 17, 2013 7:37 PM
79	:)	Oct 17, 2013 7:36 PM
80	The open undeveloped fields and agricultural nature of our town	Oct 17, 2013 6:32 PM
81	Not sure	Oct 17, 2013 5:27 PM
82	The balance of business and residential development so as not to become a bedroom community.	Oct 17, 2013 1:34 PM
83	I'd like to see the non- Route 7 areas stay rural and agricultural.	Oct 16, 2013 6:04 PM
84	strength of Ferrisburgh Central School; relatively small human population	Oct 15, 2013 10:21 AM
85	Don't know	Oct 15, 2013 10:10 AM
86	The school system is great!	Oct 14, 2013 7:49 PM
87	Rural character.	Oct 14, 2013 7:44 PM
88	The feel of small town community where people know each other and help each other. I would like to see the population size stay about the same. I would like to see commercial areas stay local, not chains or national corporations.	Oct 14, 2013 7:29 PM

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89	Affordable	Oct 14, 2013 7:22 PM
90	Any of the historic buildings and village streetscapes.	Oct 14, 2013 6:14 PM
91	Great support for the school; totally accessible town beach is awesome; farming friendly environment.	Oct 14, 2013 5:48 PM
92	I believe that the school system is one of the best in the area.	Oct 14, 2013 5:14 PM
93	The rural nature of the community	Oct 14, 2013 1:32 PM

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1	becoming a bedroom community	Nov 13, 2013 1:46 PM
2	The economy of the nation and state will get worse as the poor and middle class continue to decline. There will be fewer and fewer good paying jobs. The bad behavior will just get worse as drugs and alcohol problems increase.	Nov 6, 2013 9:16 AM
3	That it will become the defacto area of developed strip malls between the protected rural spaces of Charlotte and Middlebury and New Haven.	Nov 5, 2013 6:26 PM
4	growth property taxes sprawl	Nov 5, 2013 3:58 PM
5	increasing taxes, declining school enrollment, increasing traffic on Rt 7	Nov 5, 2013 3:51 PM
6	we are not planning for the future. the old paradimes are changing. the select board is rooted in the 19th century.	Nov 5, 2013 3:45 PM
7	that it will be lost between charlotte and Vergennes	Nov 5, 2013 3:39 PM
8	More people need to become involved.	Nov 4, 2013 11:59 AM
9	No big concerns.	Nov 2, 2013 7:41 AM
10	housing development and becoming more a commuting community to Burlington and Middlebury.	Nov 2, 2013 6:45 AM
11	lack of natural gas	Nov 2, 2013 6:18 AM
12	The high school taxes. We need to seriously think about consolidation of schools, etc.	Nov 2, 2013 4:56 AM
13	That the farmers will continue to pollute the rivers and lake with runoff from spreading. The lake is threatened with algae blooms and this will make it unswimmable and unattractive.	Nov 1, 2013 9:51 PM
14	COCO running it	Nov 1, 2013 9:27 AM
15	Flood concerns	Oct 31, 2013 1:14 PM
16	That it keep its identity and uniqueness, and not develop into a suburban sprawl coming from Burlington.	Oct 31, 2013 12:09 PM
17	1) No significant concerns at this time	Oct 31, 2013 11:37 AM
18	That it will become a site for chains like MacDonalds and the like.	Oct 31, 2013 10:10 AM
19	loss of farms	Oct 30, 2013 11:27 AM
20	What worries me is some residents who came from bigger city areas do not understand how a small town is run and that growth is possible. Fighting against new businesses in town is really only going to hurt the town economics and hurt all of us who live here.	Oct 30, 2013 9:49 AM
21	Decline	Oct 30, 2013 8:39 AM

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22	Places for people to gather other than the grange.	Oct 30, 2013 8:08 AM
23	Dropping rate of youth in the schools. Travel on busy roads being out of control with not enough traffic lights to keep people sane and safe. Difficulty of finding affordable housing for low income and even middle income home buyers. Good local jobs.	Oct 30, 2013 7:43 AM
24	property taxes rising	Oct 30, 2013 7:12 AM
25	Over Development and traffic	Oct 30, 2013 6:01 AM
26	Currently I'm very concerned about the continuation of FCS and the future of VUHS. I believe small local elementary schools are of vital importance to centering and uniting our communities. As for VUHS the building is in serious disrepair and the academic programs are below par. In talking to parents and educators it is my understanding this is due to a lack of innovate, dedicated, and enthusiastic leadership within the school administration, coupled with an unsupportive and negative elder tax payer population. We need to some how interrogate our young community members with our elder members in a mutually beneficial way.	Oct 29, 2013 9:53 PM
27	Hodge-podge development is my biggest short and medium term concern. My biggest long term concern is that Ferrisburgh becomes more and more of a bedroom community for Burlington, that will drive up property values and put a strain on some in the community.	Oct 29, 2013 8:40 PM
28	Looking more and more run down if we don't do anything with the roadhouse space or the store "with the run down green houses" All tho I was glad to see them taking those down the other day.	Oct 29, 2013 6:11 PM
29	Small tax base	Oct 29, 2013 5:49 PM
30	Stagnation and disinterest in the newcomers.	Oct 29, 2013 5:10 PM
31	getting overrun by sprawl and too much traffic on the highway; too fast traffic on the side roads.	Oct 29, 2013 4:59 PM
32	That the "powers that be" will not allow economic growth in the community - not allowing businesses to build and bring in jobs. I understand wanting to preserve the land, BUT in order for a community to thrive you need a good economic base and jobs so people will want to move into the area and buy houses/property and stay here once they do that. Making companies jump through too many hoops based on personal preferences by the "powers that be" is wrong and needs to change.	Oct 29, 2013 4:47 PM
33	lack of town leadership in creating and supporting a modern day vision for the future of Ferrisburgh - this survey and recent activities are good steps for creating Vision and asking our elected officials to truly support this vision.	Oct 26, 2013 2:04 PM
34	Not enough business to support ourselves.	Oct 25, 2013 4:28 AM
35	We fear that encroaching development is a threat to our way of life here. Specifically, the proposed mega-sized gas station proposed for the town enter	Oct 24, 2013 4:03 PM

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	on Route 7 would be a tragic mistake. Any more VELCO type electric lines would also be a travesty.	
36	That the people who run this town are aging and no effort is being made to shift the focus to families, younger people, etc. The drive through nature of the downtown. The lack of zoning regs for encouraging community friendly business growth downtown. Ferrisburgh has relegated itself to being a suburb of Vergennes. This is terrible!	Oct 24, 2013 12:32 PM
37	I would like to see the tax base increase for lower taxes.	Oct 24, 2013 7:23 AM
38	That the taxes will become to high to continue to live here.	Oct 23, 2013 6:03 PM
39	I am concerned that route 7 will be just like Williston and Shelburne Roads. This will mean losing the rural character of the town.	Oct 23, 2013 3:55 PM
40	it will become a bedroom community	Oct 23, 2013 2:31 PM
41	My biggest concern is that the Route 7 corridor will end up being one long strip of commercial blah.	Oct 23, 2013 12:46 PM
42	Big business making its mark. People coming in from outside thinking we need to be made into a city-like atmosphere.	Oct 23, 2013 10:21 AM
43	I am concerned about unmitigated corporate sprawl.	Oct 23, 2013 8:56 AM
44	That it continues to look like there is no reason to stop or live here. It is ugly to drive on Route 7. The other concern would be that if someone starts cleaning up the town, it becomes a very long strip mall/fast food environment. A good balance is a difficult thing without planning and money.	Oct 23, 2013 8:50 AM
45	Too much conserved land	Oct 23, 2013 7:26 AM
46	Going toward the left	Oct 23, 2013 6:14 AM
47	It will grow out of proportion and become another overdeveloped area. Taxes will continue to rise and become too high for lower and middle class people to live here. (Some say that is happening now.) Seniors/retired will be forced to sell their land/homes to survive and further development will ensue.	Oct 23, 2013 6:04 AM
48	Route 7 becoming a strip mall area around the center.	Oct 23, 2013 5:22 AM
49	I was asked by a member of the Planning Commission to not put white stone in the driveway of a new house I was planning to build. I felt getting final approval for my home site plans would be denied if I said otherwise. Micromanaging a homeowner's property is not a Vermont value. Is Ferrisburgh Central School viable for the future? That is, are there enough children coming along to keep it open? Will we run into a situation like Addison Elementary School? And, is anyone taking a look at that?	Oct 22, 2013 10:09 PM
50	That it has no future.	Oct 22, 2013 9:00 PM
51	Lack of support for educational resources and spending. The community does not seem willing to support initiatives to improve the quality of education. The	Oct 22, 2013 8:10 PM

**Page 4, Q8. What are your biggest concerns about the future of this community?**

	school board is always cutting back the budget because they don't think increases will pass in our town. I'd like to be part of a community that is willing to pay for best practices. For example, not passing the high school bond vote for auditorium renovations, outdoor track, etc. is very short-sighted. We need these resources to attract families to our area. They are the "norm" in other parts of the country.	
52	too much land grabbing by one or two people that will change the feel of Ferrisburgh	Oct 22, 2013 7:43 PM
53	How to develop and grow without harming the character that makes Ferrisburgh special.	Oct 22, 2013 6:10 PM
54	My biggest concerns are a lack of cohesiveness in the community which leads to a feeling of no direction. The potential for more quick stops along rt7 will only attract more quick stops and low end business. I think the community needs a strategic plan that will attract home based entrepreneurs. With a robust internet & easy access to Burlington and Middlebury Ferrisburgh could become a thriving engaging community.	Oct 22, 2013 1:12 PM
55	Lack of focus on meaningful protections for the lake shore; uncontrolled development of Route 7 corridor; failure to enforce existing land use rules and regulations.	Oct 22, 2013 12:06 PM
56	zoning in favor of corporations and not residents	Oct 22, 2013 9:31 AM
57	That growth will be unplanned and haphazard. We need an enforceable Town Plan and zoning laws that encourage appropriate growth and development in and around the town center. It is very important to keep the historical character of Ferrisburgh Town Center and The Hollow. Traffic calming measures should be taken for Route 7 in and around the town center.	Oct 21, 2013 8:39 PM
58	That empty acreage will be sold and developed by large corporate businesses	Oct 21, 2013 6:55 PM
59	The rise in crime, over development, the high property taxes	Oct 21, 2013 5:04 PM
60	Taft corners, truck stops, mcdonalds, walmart. Farm land lost to unattractive track homes. Basically, a series of route 7 businesses that don't represent the town and people that live there.	Oct 21, 2013 4:22 PM
61	COCO's desire to put in their facility on Rt 7 ...don't want this at all...bad for the town planning	Oct 21, 2013 3:46 PM
62	Fracking, poorly designed development.	Oct 21, 2013 2:29 PM
63	worry about more development along RT 7 want it to stay the way it is- some delapidated buildings along Rt 7 should be taken down	Oct 21, 2013 2:25 PM
64	That it will allow typical sprawl to occur.	Oct 21, 2013 2:06 PM
65	Not enough young workers/families willing to live in Ferrisburgh and support the school and town.	Oct 21, 2013 1:54 PM
66	Rampant commercialization of Rte. 7.	Oct 21, 2013 1:20 PM

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67	To grow with the times, but preserve our rural, small town way of life.	Oct 21, 2013 1:16 PM
68	Too high taxes for no services available, like sewer, water, sidewalks, fire hydrants, police protection, etc. Safety is a concern with all the home robberies.	Oct 21, 2013 1:15 PM
69	growth--don't want to see this community turn into south burlington!	Oct 21, 2013 12:39 PM
70	I'm concerned that big development will adversely effect our community. Also businesses such as fast food restaurants are bad for the general health of our community.	Oct 21, 2013 12:34 PM
71	I am concerned about the proposed fast-food truck stop on Route 7, and the NOISE and possible traffic issues that would accompany it.	Oct 21, 2013 12:20 PM
72	Commercial development turning Ferrisburgh into another South Burlington or Williston. Traffic on side roads making residential areas noisy and unsafe. Development that doesn't respect the natural beauty, history, and quality of life in town.	Oct 21, 2013 10:58 AM
73	Property taxes (not just here, but all of Vermont). That decisions are made based on short-term revenue returns. Need to take long-term view and seek professional assistance, not just go on instinct, when making decisions that will permanently impact character and quality of the town.	Oct 21, 2013 10:47 AM
74	that inside of ten years you will not be able to afford to live in ferrisburgh.	Oct 21, 2013 9:45 AM
75	Industrial large scale development in the Rt 7 corridoe. I believe that without some real vision and changes to zoning regulations the Ferrisbrgh Rt 7 corridor will end up just like Rt 7 in Shelburne and south Burlington	Oct 21, 2013 8:16 AM
76	Sprawl from Chittenden County.	Oct 19, 2013 8:31 AM
77	Cannot think of any big concerns.	Oct 18, 2013 8:02 PM
78	My biggest concern/worry, is that chain-type stores (like Dunkin Donuts) are going to move in and take away from it's existing charm, or that Ferrisburgh will become too commercial with businesses going in all along Route 7.	Oct 18, 2013 7:47 PM
79	that building like the meeting hall will not be repaired. Sad when there was a occupant that was willing to make the necessary repairs nd keep it occupied.	Oct 18, 2013 7:11 PM
80	Losing its rural character due to the influx of population from the greater Burlington area. I think tyhe proposed truck stop on Rt 7 will be especially unsightly and unfortunate.	Oct 18, 2013 5:57 PM
81	- being overtaken by development pressures coming down Route 7 from Burlington - inaction on the part of select board / planning commission / citizens to take the steps NOW to make sure this doesn't happen, development has a way of sneaking up on us and is only really noticed when it is too late	Oct 18, 2013 5:53 PM
82	Education costs tied to real estate values. Loss of control of how we pay for education and being responsible for state wide costs. We have businesses that can't meet the every soaring costs of education based on their real estate value nad not on their income. I fear that Ferrisburgh will lose Basin Harbor Club to	Oct 18, 2013 9:02 AM

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	these issues and Ferrisburgh will be changed forever.	
83	Don't know	Oct 18, 2013 6:46 AM
84	That within the first part of this century we will see the Route 7 corridor become more and more like Shelburne Road in South Burlington.	Oct 18, 2013 6:22 AM
85	That it doesn't protect the God given resources that support it, the soil, water, plants and trees.	Oct 18, 2013 6:12 AM
86	Over-development of Route 7, big housing developments allowed; the building of the gas station/McDonald's, which would be the beginning of the end.	Oct 17, 2013 7:37 PM
87	School system	Oct 17, 2013 7:36 PM
88	That there'll be an increased divide between rich and poor.	Oct 17, 2013 6:32 PM
89	Not enough development.	Oct 17, 2013 5:27 PM
90	Attempts to thwart ANY change. Some change is inevitable. There is change, and there is controlled change. Change doesn't necessarily have to create another South Burlington.	Oct 17, 2013 5:21 PM
91	Increasing commuter families that have little sense of community.	Oct 17, 2013 4:31 PM
92	The rise in drug related crime. That we not keep that balance of business and residential development to become a bedroom community and lose that ability to do business locally.	Oct 17, 2013 1:34 PM
93	Concerned about the town becoming a bedroom community. It's probably already happened. We need something that brings the town together.	Oct 16, 2013 6:04 PM
94	Higher taxes may make more people feel the need to subdivide their land, which will, without better planning, result in more houses at the end of long driveways and less wild habitat.	Oct 15, 2013 10:21 AM
95	None	Oct 15, 2013 10:10 AM
96	I do not want us to become a bedroom community for Vergennes or Burlington.	Oct 14, 2013 7:49 PM
97	Overpopulation. Biggest problem facing the entire country, not just Ferrisburgh.	Oct 14, 2013 7:44 PM
98	Overdevelopment and lack of planning in development.	Oct 14, 2013 7:29 PM
99	It becomes too suburban and cookie cutter, maybe box stores	Oct 14, 2013 7:22 PM
100	Uncontrolled and unattractive and inappropriate development. Loss of agricultural use of land.	Oct 14, 2013 6:14 PM
101	Lack of zoning allowing more fly by night auto places!	Oct 14, 2013 6:08 PM
102	development projects that reach out to big national chains and threaten small, local, independent businesses.	Oct 14, 2013 5:48 PM

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103	Community Plan for the future. This may be a lack of familiarity on my part, but I am not aware of what the plan is for this community.	Oct 14, 2013 5:14 PM
104	That it will become too expensive to live in when we no longer work. We are in our early 60's now.	Oct 14, 2013 1:32 PM

**Page 5, Q9. In your opinion, in the next five years, what planning topics should we focus on?**

**Pick ONLY YOUR TOP 5 topics and rank them, 1-5 in importance, 1 being most important.**

1	Keeping taxes down.	Nov 4, 2013 4:28 PM
2	Promotion of art and musical events	Nov 1, 2013 9:54 PM
3	Do not know enough about the Town's challenges and opportunities to provide meaningful feedback.	Oct 31, 2013 6:36 PM
4	Zoning restrictions in wetlands	Oct 31, 2013 1:17 PM
5	Runoff issues for Lake Champlain	Oct 31, 2013 12:12 PM
6	Recreation Dept funding to coordinate opportunities through the school and Vergennes and other local towns. It's like a puzzle to try to figure out what opportunities are where, esp if you're new to the area.	Oct 30, 2013 8:40 AM
7	walking safety on roads for Pedestrians-speed reduction.	Oct 30, 2013 8:20 AM
8	AN INDOOR POOL!!!!!!! If we are lucky we can swim in the lake from June-September. After that we need to shelp to Burlington or Middlebury. Swimming is one of the best forms of exercise and can be enjoyed at ANY age and with an indoor pool ANY time of the year. In addition it's an exercise which accommodates a wide range of otherwise limiting physical conditions.	Oct 29, 2013 10:04 PM
9	This is difficult, since many of these are important to me. Recreation opportunities other than outdoor would be good, too.	Oct 29, 2013 5:03 PM
10	not sure what is meant by "village center development" - but there needs to be planning to insure that Ferrisburgh remains a "village" and not allow development on Rt 7 so that it starts to resemble a small version of Williston.	Oct 26, 2013 2:07 PM
11	These are all important. Hard to pick just 5	Oct 24, 2013 7:25 AM
12	affordable housing for all age groups	Oct 22, 2013 10:11 PM
13	This was a difficult exercise but much appreciated.	Oct 22, 2013 1:14 PM
14	Appropriate village center development that fits with the scale and rural nature of Ferrisburgh with emphasis on locally operated small businesses such as doctor or dentist offices, diner-type restaurant, affordable apartments and condos, child and senior day care. Restrictions on inappropriate commercial development such as chain stores like CVS, Quick Stop, Olive Garden, and fast food restaurants.	Oct 21, 2013 8:49 PM
15	Community safety	Oct 21, 2013 1:19 PM
16	Local business and commercial development restriction choices may appear conflicting to some people. In our modern society we need both local, regional and national stores to suit our needs. Responsible commercial development through planning is paramount to having a viable business element to our community without sacrificing aesthetic appeal or our landscape.	Oct 18, 2013 6:23 AM
17	I do not like the way this section is graded as it does not fairly adress the topics.	Oct 17, 2013 1:37 PM

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18 This is a difficult category!

Oct 14, 2013 7:48 PM

**Page 6, Q10. Currently Ferrisburgh zoning is such that business development occurs in numerous areas along route 7. In the future, Ferrisburgh's town plan and zoning regulations could steer development (both residential and business) to create a more compact/walkable village center(s).**

**Do you support this...**

1	My support for this would be contingent on environmentally friendly and genuinely local businesses.	Nov 5, 2013 6:32 PM
2	I would culster on the east side of the road in Ferrisburgh on Middlebrook side of Rte. 7	Nov 2, 2013 6:50 AM
3	Make building businesses with more then one location eel legal	Nov 1, 2013 9:29 AM
4	Do not believe a walkable village center will work. all the towns in Chittenden cty that are trying it are failing	Oct 31, 2013 6:40 PM
5	I support "On either side of the intersection of Stage Road, Route 7 and Old Hollow Road/North Ferrisburgh." for small locally owned businesses. Not franchises and box stores!	Oct 29, 2013 10:09 PM
6	I'd hate to see development and additional traffic hinder transportation. It makes it inherently unsafe.	Oct 29, 2013 5:12 PM
7	I support compact/walkable village centers - as long as they are "developed" with local businesses and not large national corporations that will build out-of-scale businesses.	Oct 26, 2013 2:09 PM
8	Commercial along Route 7 and residential around the intersections, but off the highway.	Oct 23, 2013 8:55 AM
9	Compacting it would mean having to come up with ways to calm traffic through those areas. Lots of drivers who use that corridor are not locals, but just trying to get from north to south (vice versa) as quickly as possible and they drive too fast. Having business spread out along Rte 7 is convenient, but if you decide to compact it around these two intersections you have to be creative and efficient in coming up with ways to calm traffic also.	Oct 21, 2013 7:17 PM
10	I think it should be on either side of Stage/7 and Old Hollow BUT you MUST address flow of traffic with lights for safety - I'm not in favor of any development on Route & without traffic light controls.	Oct 21, 2013 12:24 PM
11	Both of the suggested areas, along with others. For example, consider the Shelburne Shopping Park that houses the hardware store and the supermarket. That is a drive-to, walkable group of businesses.	Oct 18, 2013 6:31 AM
12	Both of the above locations AND encouraging more home businesses	Oct 18, 2013 6:17 AM
13	The Northern village seems to be ok. Let's work on Ferrisburgh proper. A walkable village would be nice too.	Oct 16, 2013 6:08 PM
14	Access onto and off of RT 7 is dangerous. I am not in favor of further strip development or even plaza style development unless major road work is coupled with it to provide safe pull offs, and exit/entrance lanes.	Oct 14, 2013 1:46 PM

**Page 6, Q11. Which of the following do you most agree with? Check all that apply.**

1	The big question is why does Ferrisburg need a town center when Vergennes is 2 miles away? Duplication is not an efficient use of money and resources and creates and supports urban sprawl.	Nov 2, 2013 6:50 AM
2	I like the idea of utilizing our current park space for outdoor events. I think existing businesses should be able to have public bathrooms, but no new businesses should be allowed to build without fitting into a "village" aesthetic.	Nov 1, 2013 9:58 PM
3	I would like the town center to get cleaned up, but otherwise the same.	Oct 23, 2013 8:55 AM
4	Comment----- There are some very bad people traveling up and down RT.7. NO UNSUPERVISED children walking or biking on or near RT.7	Oct 22, 2013 9:11 PM
5	The tow green should be in the town center near the school and town hall.	Oct 21, 2013 8:51 PM
6	The State needs to be more open to looking at water/sewer issues on a more "case by case" basis instead of strictly by some outmoded formula in a book. They make it hard to be efficient and conservative - which is the very essence of our state - but they don't seem to want to help us manage that for ourselves	Oct 21, 2013 7:17 PM
7	see #10	Oct 21, 2013 12:24 PM
8	I would to see a road with side walks connecting the grange and school .	Oct 18, 2013 7:17 PM
9	Truly, our major commercial center is Vergennes.	Oct 18, 2013 6:17 AM
10	Don't think the geography of our town with RT 7 dissecting the town lends itself for a town center. I think the priority should not be to try and make our town that picturesque town in the movies. Work with what we have and focus on bring more services to the town	Oct 18, 2013 6:08 AM
11	We live within biking distance from school, but it's not safe for kids to do that. And cars drive too fast on the back roads.	Oct 16, 2013 6:08 PM
12	Don't want to see the town centers get afflicted with sprawl. They should not get too much bigger.	Oct 14, 2013 7:51 PM
13	I would like a town center that maintains a historic appearance while increasing the mix of business and residential use and one that is more pedestrian friendly.	Oct 14, 2013 6:22 PM
14	We don't have a town center now. Right now that isn't important to me, but that doesn't mean I am totally appose to it. It just isn't a priority.	Oct 14, 2013 1:46 PM

**Page 7, Q12. What do you think about residential growth in Ferrisburgh? Check all that apply.**

1	Without central sewer services, development is restricted to the few areas which will support on-site septic systems. Add to this, the large amount of conserved farmland and land in public ownership, I do not feel there is the potential for too much growth.	Nov 4, 2013 12:01 PM
2	Allowing for mother in law style apartments is the best solution to affordable housing.	Nov 1, 2013 10:00 PM
3	No housing growth don't ruin vt	Nov 1, 2013 9:32 AM
4	With over 30% of the land conserved,whats already built on and most of the rest not able to meet restrictive wastewater standards, there is no growth issue in Ferrisburgh	Oct 22, 2013 9:19 PM
5	Residential and commercial growth should be centralized to create one or two well planned town centers.	Oct 21, 2013 8:54 PM
6	By "affordable housing options" I mean just the price of a single family home, not the need to build complexes of new housing units. It is just a sad fact of real estate that too many homes are priced beyond the means of many families and seniors.	Oct 21, 2013 7:19 PM
7	i am not knowledgeable enough to comment	Oct 18, 2013 12:53 PM
8	I think the majority of future residential growth should be in planned areas, mixed neighborhoods with a variety of value of houses, where most of the neighborhood would have smaller properties (<2 acres) with a few larger properties or the outskirts of the neighborhood. Properties with 2+ acres in Jericho have resulted in suburban sprawl.	Oct 17, 2013 5:58 PM
9	We need to balance affordable housing to not drive young families out, but we need to maintain our rural heritage.	Oct 16, 2013 6:11 PM

**Page 7, Q13. What do you think about business development in Ferrisburgh? Check all that apply.**

1	energy use standards are needed	Nov 5, 2013 3:49 PM
2	I think that the report by the Citizens Advisory Committee should be the template for development along US7 and the Village Center(s).	Nov 4, 2013 12:01 PM
3	Let small home based businesses with only one one location that rant cars sales or malls exist	Nov 1, 2013 9:32 AM
4	Business development is great - its WHAT KIND of development we want to encourage. People friendly businesses that bring us to town to interact with neighbors, fabulous. Cleaning up the awful carcasses of business that are already there - great! More gas stations and drive throughs? - terrible.	Oct 24, 2013 12:42 PM
5	I am concerned about the impact of some businesses in terms of NOISE and creating traffic issues on Route 7. There should be some control over the type of business and the location of business. Route 7 makes sense in terms of location but NOT WITHOUT traffic lights, which would help with safety issues.	Oct 21, 2013 12:28 PM
6	If there are plans for a business district, it would be good to have the majority of it pedestrian friendly, with adequate parking. If both sides of rt. 7 are included, it might be tricky for rt. 7 traffic to always have pedestrians crossing rt. 7.	Oct 17, 2013 5:58 PM
7	I am unsure about the impact of home based businesses in more rural areas, but perhaps standards could be arrived at that would limit negative impact on rural character and natural lands. Home based businesses are fine in the village centers.	Oct 14, 2013 6:27 PM
8	How do you define home business? Is a junk yard a home business???	Oct 14, 2013 1:53 PM