



Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

Guiding Principles

The Steering Committee for La Pointe's 2022 Comprehensive Town Plan believes that the product of its work must be shaped by the community rather than exclusively by the jurisdictional limits of Town government. It will include -- but be more than -- a map for land use. A successful plan will need to incorporate the needs and capabilities of our Island's larger social framework and institutions.

The fabric of the Island is stitched together by organizations that share a stake in its future. The Plan Steering Committee is committed to including these stakeholders in the preparation and implementation of the final product. The Town of La Pointe will manage the preparation of that product. It will be responsible for executing those parts of the plan within its jurisdiction, and for convening the partnerships necessary to execute those parts of the plan outside the jurisdiction of government.

The Steering Committee believes that a successful plan must reflect qualities that define the Island's distinctive character: Its natural resources and beauty; a tradition of exceptional community engagement and resourcefulness; an economy with an increasing promise to secure improved quality of life; an assembly of creative skill and energy; a history of spiritual vitality and healing; a diversity of resident intellectual, financial and political capital.

An operating belief of the Steering Committee is that the Plan will not succeed if it is to be only a collection of good ideas. It must reflect the community's priorities of work that needs to be done. It will be a plan that informs action. In that sense, it is the Steering Committee's belief that not every good thing that can be done, will be done. In a world of limited resources and time, some work will take precedence over other possibilities. A successful Plan will be anchored in a community consensus supporting priorities.