

HEALTHY COMMUNITY PLAN

Community/Team Name: Pine City HCP

Geographic Area: City of Pine City and surrounding area

HCP Round/Years: Round 14, March 2004 - February 2006

Project Focus: To create and implement an integrated vision and plan for the Pine City area

Vision/Purpose Statement:

Coming together to design Pine City's future.

Priorities:

- Commercial/Industrial attraction, retention and expansion, revitalize downtown
- Parks and Tourism
- Master Facilities Plan, library, fire hall, early childhood, arts, pool

Key Accomplishments:

- Hosted 10 community visioning sessions involving over 250 people (Summer 2004).
- Established and trained three task forces to work on priority areas (October 2004).
- 501(c)3 status obtained for Library project (Jan. 2005).
- New signs for Fire Department ordered (Feb. 2005).
- Changed name of industrial park to "Pine City Technology Park" (Feb. 2005).
- Farmers' Market held in conjunction with Arts in the Park.
- Community-wide Cleanup Day (June 2005).
- Updated promotional CD.
- Revolving Loan Fund.
- Discussions underway with townships on orderly annexation.
- Streetscape plan for entry and Main Street.
- Farmers Market moved to downtown; manager hired (Spring 2005)
- Facilities Feasibility Study Commissioned (Fall 2005).
- Completed Master Facilities Study (2006).
- Initiated BR&E Program and Voyageur Park Committee (2006).
- Grown Farmers Market (2006).
- Renamed Industrial Park: Technology Park (2006).
- New Municipal Development Ordinances (MDO) (2006).
- Completed Public Officials Training (Fall 2006).
- Secured 501(c)3 statuses for Library (2006).
- Established revolving loan fund (2006).
- Discussions underway with townships on orderly annexation agreement (2006).
- Parks and trails expansion and improvement plan in process (2006).
- Completed public officials training and established an Early Childhood Coalition (2006).

Grants/ Donations/Loans:

- \$15,000 - Park and Tourism donation from Pokegama Lake Association (Jan. 2005)
- \$5,000 - Farmers Market Expansion Grant from Initiative Foundation (2006)
- \$1,000 - Public Officials Training grant from IF and USDA program (August 2006)
- Loan for MinPack, Inc., a manufacturer of 3M Office Products and Microfilm Aperture Cards (2006)
- Loan for Wild River Veterinary Clinic (2006)
- \$2,500 – Farmers Market follow-up grant 2008

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