



## EAST CENTRAL WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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## Press Release

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The Village of Kimberly and the Village of Combined Locks are beginning development of a Comprehensive Plan 2030 planning effort.

The Villages of Combined Locks and Kimberly will be undertaking a 15 month long Comprehensive Plan development process in which a joint committee of their respective Plan Commissions, and staff, will work with the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to develop a planning vision for the two established communities. The Village of Kimberly and the Village of Combined Locks Planning Commissions will be meeting jointly for the initial kick-off of their comprehensive planning effort on **Wednesday, December 19, 2007, at 6:00 PM**, in the Community Room of the Village of Combined Locks Civic Center, located at 405 Wallace Street. The joint committee will alternate meeting locations between the two villages.

Following introductions, a summary overview of the planning process will be provided by the East Central Wisconsin RPC staff planners. Then the joint 19 member committee will have a group discussion regarding general community values and trends in which committee members are encouraged to share their expectations for the plan. Maps of the existing land use and aerial photo's of Kimberly and Combined locks will be used by the committee to facilitate a discussion identifying future opportunities and planning issues challenges to be addressed in the plan, including providing for future public services, civic and recreational needs, economic development/redevelopment possibilities and land use issues.

The plan being developed by this committee is an opportunity for citizen input to develop a plan which will help position these communities for a stronger future. Change is inevitable, but change can be managed to be beneficial to a community when it is directed locally, and implement with regional considerations in mind. A thoughtful, well designed plan can be useful to provide guidance and continuity for elected officials.

Citizens are welcome to attend meetings which will be posted on the village websites [www.vokimberly.org](http://www.vokimberly.org) and [www.combinedlocks.org](http://www.combinedlocks.org) and also can be found on the ECWRPC website, and through village website links that lead to <http://www.eastcentralrpc.org/planKimberlyCombinedLocks>. Interested residents can also be involved or follow the process by checking the ECWRPC website for current project news.

