

Surveys Returned: 149

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE CORUNNA DAM

Please read the "Future of the Dam in Question" article in the newsletter prior to completing this questionnaire.

1. Which option would you like to see done with the dam?

Complete dam removal **32** Make into rapids **44**

Repair the existing dam **56** Build a new dam **10**

2. Would you be willing to pay an additional millage to rebuild or repair the dam? **Yes-54 No-83**

3. Do you think the dam is an asset to the City of Corunna? **Yes-75 No-60**

4. In a normal year, do you utilize the following Dam related recreational opportunities?

44 Heritage Park **31** Fishing **23** Boating/Boat Launch

5. In a normal year, how much time do you spend on these recreational activities?

Results: n/a or 0---98, some or very little---7, summer months only or several---6, many hours or year round---11, 1 to 2 hrs. per year---2, 3 to 4 hrs per year---7, 5 to 10 hrs per year---5, 10 to 12 hrs per year---6, 20 to 30 hrs per year---4, 40+ hours per year---3

6. Are you a resident of the City of Corunna? **Yes 143 No 3**

7. Are you a property owner in the City of Corunna? **Yes 144 No 2**

8. Are you a registered voter in the City of Corunna? **Yes 136 No 8**

CITY OF CORUNNA CUSTOMER QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Do you subscribe to Charter Cable Television? **Yes 84 No 61**

2. Have you ever attended a Corunna City Council meeting?..... **Yes 86 No 56**

3. Would you like to see Council meetings broadcast over Cable? **Yes 72 No 60**

4. How much do you pay for garbage removal monthly?

Results: n/a or \$0---55 \$1 to 10---20 \$11 to 19---63 \$20 or more---11

5. On average, how many garbage bags do you dispose of weekly?

Results: n/a or 0---32 1 to 2---54 3 to 4---39 5 or more---24

6. Do you generally participate in the Corunna 4th of July Celebration? **Yes 96 No 48**

7. Do you generally watch the Corunna 4th of July Fireworks? **Yes 118 No 20**

8. Have you toured the Corunna Historical Village? **Yes 110 No 24**

9. How often do you use the Corunna Public Library?.....

Results: n/a or 0---81 Seldom or rarely---16 2 to 3 x a year---12 4 to 5 x a year---7, 8 or more x a year---2 1 or 2 x a month---11 1 x a week or often---20

10. Are you in favor of increasing the city assessment for ambulance service? **Yes 50 No 71**

11. What kind of businesses or services would you like to see in downtown Corunna? **76**

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| -Ones that pay property taxes(2) | -Pharmacy(12) | -Gas | -Any (3) |
| -Pet groomer | -Good restaurant(3) | -Auto supply | -Video rental |
| -Dollar store (2) | -Clothing(3) | -Clock shop | -Credit union |
| -Flower shop/ gift shop (6) | -Industry | -Develop M-71 | -Doctors/dentists |
| -Book store(2) | -Dime store(2) | -Shoe store(4) | - Mail shipping |
| -Quality antique store (3) | -Entertainment | -Home Depot(2) | -Deli(3) |
| -Sidewalk café, | -Longer open hours | -Target | |
| -Small shops | -Party store | -Shopping center(2) | |
| -Hardware store(13) | -Furniture | -Business to create jobs | |
| -Update store fronts(4) | -Fabric store | -Fitness center | |
| -Hot dog vendor | -Wendy's | -Auto repair | |
| -Cheese store | -Youth oriented establishment | -Retail(3) | |
| -Something other than more offices | -Something for 20-30 yr. olds | -Professional services | |
| -Restaurant with liquor license | -Ice cream store | -Seafood restaurant | |
| -Businesses to draw people to Corunna | -Semi-formal restaurant | -Donut shop | |
| -A chain restaurant | -Bakery | -Craft store | |

12. What additional municipal services would you like the City of Corunna to provide? **63**

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| -Provide water and pave Pine St. | -Line N. Shiawassee |
| -Snow plowing on sidewalks. | -Just run the city, not like NYC |
| -Snow removal in Crestview | -Less police, gov't., and pay increases |
| -Better response to barking dogs | -Road repair(7) |
| -Cheaper water and garbage rates (2) | -Fix streets on Ridgeview & Crestview(2) |
| -Garbage pickup (8) | -Better traffic control |
| -Ban all burning | -Cheaper water/sewer rates(2) |
| -Recycling service (8) | -Fix pot holes and streets(2) |
| -More scheduled brush & leaf pickup (5) | -Better snow plowing (2) |
| -Current services done better (2) | -A good Parks & Rec. Department |
| -DPW to work a full 40 hrs. and take pride in their work | -New sidewalks in residential areas (2) |
| -More parking downtown (2) | -Satisfied now |
| -Up to date web site | -Less services and save money(2) |
| -Don't allow vehicles in front yard | -Biking and hiking clubs |
| -Should be able to put sump water in drains | -Repair alleyways |
| -Keep large trucks from going through Crestview | -We have the essentials now |
| -Auto. payments for water/sewer bills (checking acc.) | -Better use of D.P.W. |
| -Move the car wash | |
| -A welcome packet for new residents with city laws included | |
| -Appreciate dump & snow plowing | |
| -Noise and speed control | |
| -Make neighbors clean up yard | |
| -Cats licensed and leashed | |
| -Walking/running event | |
| -Better management of ambulance | |
| -Junk ordinance enforced | |
| -Full service brush dump | |
| -Make people keep up their houses/property | |
| -Curb side brush & leaf removal (2) | |
| -More promotion of city's assets | |
| -Tree planting | |
| -Free water and garbage pick-up | |
| -Keep cats and dogs in houses | |
| -More police patrols | |
| -Up keep of what we have (2) | |
| -Cheaper garbage service (2) | |

Additional Comments:

- Keep the dam as a historical site.
- Remember that just because someone doesn't return this questionnaire doesn't mean they don't enjoy the dam.
- How about the Historical Commission quit buying out city buildings and fix up something in the city? Grants?
- Get rid of Capital Consultants.
- Check the water agreement with Owosso. They cannot raise our rates plus charge us for the cost of repairs. The rate increase in Owosso was to recoup their costs.
- It would be best if Bob Ockerman resigned. The mayor should "speak" and ask for his resignation.
- The city looks horrible with all of the junk piles and cars at residences within the city.

- I would like to know what the danger is if we leave the dam alone.
- It would have been more entertaining watching the ex-mayor and his antics (on cable). You could call it the "Bob Ockerman Show".
- We need something to attract attention (to Corunna).
- I need more information about how (changes to the dam) would affect the river. Could Friends of the Shiawassee River provide articles for the newspapers so the public would be more informed to make choices?
- Library is a valuable place to have in the city.
- We need the dam to stay.
- Save the money (for dam repair) and buy the house and property at the bridge. It would be nice to have a bridge over the river similar to Owosso's.
- The library is very important to the community.
- The DPW does a great job, but they could add one more employee.
- Properly managed, the ambulance service has sufficient funds. I personally served on the board and after leaving watched over \$80,000 in liquid assets wasted by poor management.
- Can't make a decision (on dam) without knowing the ecological outcome.
- Would council like to be broadcast? Sometimes I'm not sure.
- Would hate to lose Fourth of July.
- Appreciate the dump and storm clean ups and plowing among many other services.
- If the Department of Environmental Quality wants something done with the dam, let them do it!
- What do you mean "additional services"? What services does the city provide?
- The city will just set the taxes too high for any new business (downtown).
- Why does the city have a franchise (for cable)?
- Make a county assessment for the ambulance service.
- I understand that the families that live in Corunna have their sidewalks cleaned by the city amongst other benefits. How is that equalized with those who live in the outskirts of town yet in the city limits, for instance, Crestview?
- I would like to see the brush disposal site open during more reasonable hours. I have a pile of brush that has been sitting in my front yard all winter because the dump site is not open by the time I get home from work. I have been there on weekends and it is closed then too!
- We need better management of the ambulance service.
- One company for garbage removal and include the price in taxes.
- (No to ambulance assessment) because the city uses money for unnecessary things.
- Built a new dam in front of the old one.
- Don't waste any more money on downtown.
- Let the state pay (for the dam).
- It says 15 ft. away from any building, I read in your book in the office and it says 25 ft.(for burning). There is no burning in Petoskey and Charlevoix. People go up north for the clean air. Why not here?
- The City of Corunna is almost at a static state. Nobody will shop there when they can go the other way and find parking easy and a store where everything is readily assessable. One-stop shopping.
- The people of Corunna cannot afford to be taxed anymore than they are already. We just put 12 million into the school-they want a new jail at 28 million-you must get your priorities straight.
- You get the fireworks for free, the park should be free.
- Your choice (for the dam but) no taxes.
- Taxpayers represented with honesty, consideration, and fairness by council, we've had more than enough embarrassment.
- Would city garbage pick-up be cheaper to residents than private contractors?
- Enough services already, too many now and nothing ever gets done on time anyway.
- Why should I pay (for ambulance assessment increase) so Bob Ockerman can have a job?
- When is the recall going to be? I believe some new council people are in order.
- I would like to know just what my tax dollars go for. Since I moved here in '99, my city taxes keep going up. I could understand if I made some improvements on my house, but I can't afford to with paying more taxes.