SECTION 3: INTRODUCTION: NINE ELEMENTS

The nine elements that are being used as a guideline for the Town of Sherry's Coordination Plan as contained in ss. 66.1001. Each element is discussed in further detail in the following sections of this plan.

ELEMENT 1 - ISSUES & OPPORTUNITIES (Section 4)

Background information on the local governmental unit and a statement of overall objectives, policies, goals and programs of the local governmental unit to guide the future development and redevelopment of the local governmental unit over a 20 year planning period.

Background information shall include population, household and employment forecasts that the local governmental unit uses in developing its coordination plan, and demographic trends, age distribution, educational levels, income levels and employment characteristics that exist within the local governmental unit.

ELEMENT 2 - HOUSING (Section 5)

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps, and programs of the local governmental unit to provide an adequate housing supply that meets existing and forecasted housing demand in the local governmental unit. The element shall assess the age, structural, value and occupancy characteristics of the local governmental unit's housing stock.

The element shall also identify specific policies and programs that promote the development of housing for residents of the local governmental unit and provide a range of housing choices that meet the needs of persons of all income levels and of all groups and persons with special needs, policies and programs that promote the availability of land for the development or redevelopment of low income and moderate-income housing, and policies and programs to maintain or rehabilitate the local governmental unit's existing housing stock.

ELEMENT 3 – TRANSPORTATION (Section 6)

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs to guide the future development of the various modes of transportation, including highways, transit, transportation systems for persons with disabilities, bicycles, electric personal assistive mobility devices, walking, railroads, air transportation, trucking and water transportation. The element shall compare the local governmental unit's objectives, policies, goals and programs to state and regional transportation plans.

The element shall also identify highways within the local governmental unit by function and incorporate state, regional and other applicable transportation plans, including transportation corridor plans, county highway functional and jurisdictional studies, urban area and rural area transportation plans, airport master plans and rail plans that apply in the local governmental unit.

ELEMENT 4 – UTILITIES & COMMUNITY FACILITIES (Section 7)

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs to guide the future development of utilities and community facilities in the local governmental unit such as sanitary sewer service, storm water management, water supply, solid waste disposal, on-site wastewater treatment technologies, recycling facilities, parks, telecommunications facilities, power generating plants and transmission lines, cemeteries, health care facilities, child care facilities and other public facilities, such as police, fire and rescue facilities, libraries, schools and other governmental facilities.

The element shall describe the location, use and capacity of existing public utilities and community facilities that serve the local governmental unit, shall include an approximate timetable that forecasts the need in the local governmental unit to expand or rehabilitate existing utilities and facilities or to create new utilities and facilities, and shall assess future needs for government services in the local governmental unit that are related to such utilities and facilities.

ELEMENT 5 – AGRICULTURAL, NATURAL & CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES (Section 8)

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs for the conservation, and promotion of the effective management of natural resources such as groundwater, forests, productive agricultural areas, environmentally sensitive areas, threatened and endangered species, stream corridors, surface water, floodplains, wetlands, wildlife habitat, metallic and nonmetallic mineral resources consistent with zoning limitations under ss. 295.20 (2), parks, open spaces, historical and cultural resources, community design, recreational resources and other natural resources.

ELEMENT 6 – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Section 9)

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs to promote the stabilization, retention or expansion, of the economic base and quality employment opportunities in the local governmental unit, including an analysis of the labor force and economic base of the local governmental unit. The element shall assess categories or particular types of new businesses and industries that are desired by the local governmental unit.

The element shall assess the local governmental unit's strengths and weaknesses with respect to attracting and retaining businesses and industries, and shall designate an adequate number of sites for such businesses and industries. The element shall also evaluate and promote the use of environmentally contaminated sites for commercial or industrial uses. The element shall also identify county, regional, and state economic development programs that apply to the local governmental unit.

ELEMENT 7 – INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION (Section 10)

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs for joint planning and decision making with other jurisdictions, including school districts and adjacent local governmental units, for citing and building public facilities and sharing public services. The element shall analyze the relationship of the local governmental unit to school districts and adjacent local governmental units, and to the region, the state and other governmental units.

The element shall consider, to the greatest extent possible, the maps and plans of any military base or installation, with at least 200 assigned military personnel or that contains at least 2000 acres, with which the local governmental unit shares common territory. The element shall incorporate any plans or agreements to which the local governmental unit is a party under ss.66.0301, 66.0307 or 66.0309. The element shall identify existing or potential conflicts between the local governmental unit and other governmental units that are specified in this paragraph and describe processes to resolve such conflicts. Cooperation is a key element in coordinating resolution of conflict to reach consistency.

ELEMENT 8 – LAND USE (Section 11)

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs to guide the future development and redevelopment of public and private property. The element shall contain a listing of the amount, type, intensity and net density of existing uses of land in the local governmental unit, such as agricultural, residential, commercial, industrial, and other public and private uses. The element shall analyze trends in the supply, demand and price of land, opportunities for redevelopment and existing and potential land use conflicts.

The element shall contain projections, based on the background information specified in Element 1, for 20 years, in 5 year increments, of future residential, agricultural, commercial and industrial land uses including the assumptions of net densities or other spatial assumptions upon which the projections are based. The element shall also include a series of maps that shows current land uses and future land uses that indicate productive agricultural soils, natural limitations for building site development, floodplains, wetlands and other environmentally sensitive lands, the boundaries of areas to which services of public utilities and community facilities, as those terms are used in Element 4, will be provided in the future, consistent with the timetable described in Element 4, and the general location of future land uses by net density or other classifications.

ELEMENT 9 – IMPLEMENTATION (Section 12)

A compilation of programs and specific actions to be completed in a stated sequence, including proposed changes to any applicable ordinances, official maps, or subdivision ordinances, to implement the objectives, policies, plans and programs contained in Elements 1-8.

The element shall describe how each of the elements of the coordination plan will be integrated and made consistent with the other elements of the coordination plan, and shall include a mechanism to measure the local governmental unit's progress toward achieving all aspects of the coordination plan. The element shall include a process for updating the coordination plan. A coordination plan under this subsection shall be updated no less than once every 10 years.