

Dissolution Committee
Public Forum Minutes
April 30, 2009

Present: Dressing, Lucchesi, Martignetti, McGrimly, Case, Agnello, Mayor Smith, Sowards, Same, McConnell

The Chair introduced the Dissolution Committee. He then reviewed the purpose of the Dissolution Committee, which had been authorized by the Village Board in October 2008. He further indicated that the Committee's goal was to provide the Village Board with a Plan of Dissolution, if deemed appropriate, by December 2009.

Scott Sittig, CGR Project Manager, was asked to review the tentative schedule and public survey process. Mr. Sittig noted that a website had been established for public dissemination of information at www.cgr.org/senecafalls.

After Mr. Sittig's presentation, the meeting was opened for public comment and questions. The following is a summary of the matters discussed:

The Committee should be careful to determine the costs associated with the police department and costs for alternative arrangements (i.e., the sheriff department taking over the responsibilities). This matter will be addressed by the Public Safety Sub-Committee.

The Committee should determine whether the Historic District will be maintained in the event of dissolution. This matter will be addressed by the Planning Sub-Committee.

Public notices are not sufficiently disseminated regarding the Committee's meetings. The Committee should consider additional alternatives such as publishing the notices in the Pennysaver, verifying that notices are published in the Finger Lakes Times and Reveille and considering placing paid advertisements in papers or on radio.

The Chair then read the members of each sub-committee for the video recording.

There being no further matters before the Committee, a motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectively submitted,

Menzo D. Case,
Secretary