

**Village of Candor Dissolution Study Committee**  
**Meeting - April 26, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gwen Isham at 7 PM. attending members: Frank Musgrave, Jerry Ahart, Butch Crowe, Fred Quinlan, Bob Houck, Teresa Twarz and Steve Truesdail. Ad Hoc members Mayor Steve Sparling and Town Supervisor Darlene Cobler were present. Also attending: Village/Town Attorney Kurt Schrader, CGR representatives Charlie Zettek and Jaime Saunders and Jesse Disbrow, media rep.

**Public Comment:** There was none.

**Acceptance of Minutes of April 12:** It was noted the minutes were submitted with the date of "April 26" rather than April 12. Gwen had typed up that heading and said she would make the correction. Motion by Jerry Ahart and 2<sup>nd</sup>. by Bob Houck to accept the minutes with this one change. The motion was carried.

**Review of Proposal and Project schedule by CGR:** Charlie had an agenda for the CGR presentation. He mentioned that the bi-weekly meetings were overkill for CGR and they would not plan to have a representative at each meeting. During May, June and July they would appear at the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting of each month. He said they would have a web site up within a couple of weeks and asked the committee members for any suggestions they might have.

He then commented on Village/Town employee interviews. He said that he, Jaime and another CGR rep. would conduct the interviews one on one with the various employees. He did not feel committee members should be present at these interviews as it has been his experience the employee would be more open without the committee involvement. Some committee members felt it was important to be in attendance. There was a lengthy discussion with a couple of suggestions as to how the interviews should be handled.

It was finally agreed that this is the way the interviews will work: The Village and Town will submit to CGR a list of employees to be interviewed. CGR will then put together a schedule and have it available for the committee meeting on May 10. The committee members will then decide which interviews they wish to attend, with no more than two committee members at any given interview.

**Committee Members comments:** Bob Houck mentioned that the Village Water Department could pose a problem as the Town might not want to assume that responsibility mainly because of the indebtedness. If the Town did not take over that department a private operator might have to take over and the water rates would no doubt increase. Charlie mentioned that while that could happen it is not likely and for that reason an Inter Municipal Agreement (IMA) would be entered into

Butch Crowe said that while reviewing information from the Johnson City project there was a note that the town would receive \$1 Mil. From the State of NY if the village does dissolve. Charlie said the amount from the State is based on the tax base of the Village and Town. A quick tally of those figures showed that the Town would receive around \$250,000 a year. This amount would go into the General Fund and could be spent by the Town in any way it deemed proper. Also, there is no expiration date on this payment by the State and each year there would be incremental increases.

Jaime Saunders mentioned that it appeared the minutes for the committee meeting on Feb. 22 were not on the web site. Darlene will check into that and if they are not there she will have them posted.

Steve Truesdail made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup>. by Jerry Ahart to adjourn. The motion was carried and the meeting wad adjourned at 8:10.

Fred Quinlan, Secretary