

***VILLAGE OF CANDOR DISSOLUTION COMMITTEE MEETING  
FEBRUARY 1, 2010  
CANDOR TOWN HALL 7:00 PM***

The first meeting of the Village of Candor Dissolution Study Committee was held on February 1, 2010, at the Candor Town Hall, 101 Owego Road, Candor, NY, commencing at 7:00 pm.

The Honorable Mayor Steven Sparling introduced the committee members: Frank Musgrave, Fred Quinlan, Bob Houck, Gwen Isham, and Jerry Ahart as Village members; Teresa Twarz and Butch Crowe as Town members. Butch Crowe was absent from this first meeting due to a previous commitment.

Others in attendance included Attorney Kurt Schrader; Village Clerk Jan Swartz; Town Supervisor Darlene Cobler; Gary Whittmore, Town Councilman; Martha Goodsell, reporter for The Broader View; Jesse Disbrow, reporter for The Candor Chronicle; Wayne Cobler; and Florence Alpert.

Briefing -Mayor Sparling gave a briefing regarding how events have led up to this evening, i.e., a petition to dissolve the Village had been circulated and presented to the Village. While the Village Clerk determined the petition to be invalid, the Village Board of Trustees voted to proceed with the dissolution study, anyway.

Charge of the Committee - The Charge of the Committee was read by the Mayor to the committee members with discussion following.

Open Meetings Law – Mayor Sparling pointed out there was a copy of the Open Meetings Law in each committee member's packet and that it was important to adhere to it. Open Meetings Law requires that each meeting and/or work session be advertised in advance for public awareness.

Village Support – The costs associated with the dissolution study would be the responsibility of the Village and its taxpayers. The Mayor offered the Village's help in any manner that would provide information or assistance to the committee members, either through the Board, its employees or himself.

Johnson City Dissolution Committee Chairman – Bill Klish, the chairman for the JC dissolution study committee wasn't present, but Mayor Sparling indicated he would try to have him attend a future meeting for the committee to ask questions of him.

Appointment of Officers – Discussion was held as to the importance of appointing a chairman for the committee as well as a secretary. Fred Quinlan volunteered to take the minutes and Gwen Isham offered to be chairman. A motion was officially made by Fred Quinlan, seconded by Bob Houck, to appoint Gwen Isham as the chairman of the committee. A vote was taken and all were in favor. So moved.

Grant Application – The final grant application deadline for state funding for dissolution studies is March 17. An estimated cost of \$30,000 - \$50,000 is anticipated to cover attorney and consultant fees, as well as other incidentals. Extensive discussion was held. Mayor Sparling will contact CGR from Rochester to see if someone will be able to attend the next meeting. Time is of the essence in submitting the grant application.

Meeting Schedule – Discussion was held regarding the frequency and location of future meetings. It was decided the committee will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7 PM at the Town Hall. Any deviation from this schedule will be noted and advertised as same.

Privilege of the Floor – Discussion was held regarding offering privilege of the floor to visitors. It was decided that any visitor requesting time to speak must first sign in before the start of the meeting, that there would be a five minute speaking limit, and that privilege of the floor would take place at the beginning of the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.