

VILLAGE OF DANSVILLE
DISSOLUTION /CO-TERMINUS STUDY
MEETING MINUTES
2-24-2010

Present: Mayor Dixon, Supervisor Mahus, Nancy Conklin, Rick Schwenzer, Don Saylor, Andy Kershner, Sandy Briggs, Barry Haywood, Tim Wolfanger, Keith Petti, John Putney, Rachel Scura-Lickliter. Absent: Jim Wissler.

Also present: Charles Zettek , Scott Sittig, Jay Griffith, Pat Kreiley and Brenda Hoag.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Zettek reviewed the agenda. He told the committee what CGR has done so far including some interviews with members of Town and Village government. They have collected budgets and information from the Comptrollers office. Mr. Zettek stated that Mr. Sittig will be back on March 2, 2010 to conduct more interviews.

Mr. Zettek stated that the Town and the Village have a good history of working together. All agreed that there is no set agenda amongst the committee as to what form the new government might look like.

The group was asked if there are any questions or issues that need to be addressed. Rick Schwenzer asked how many studies of this nature CGR has done and does the outcome usually gravitate to the bottom line, re: taxes. Mr. Zettek stated that CGR has done approximately 25 studies and usually the results go beyond tax savings. Community members are often interested in what services they may gain or lose. Emotional ties to the Town or to the Village may come into play. Nancy Conklin asked what determines if the outcome is a Town, Village or City and if there is a population limit for City status. Generally the fiscal impacts and difference in services are a factor. There is no population limit, it would need to go through the legislature. Other questions regarding city status and taxes were addresses. There is access to more grants with a city status.

The Committee approval process was discussed. Don Saylor stated that the first thing to do is select a Chairman. Andy Kershner nominated Bill Dixon. Don Saylor nominated Barry Haywood. Mr. Haywood stated that he would not be available the last full week in March due to the Minstrel Show. Nancy Conklin seconded the nomination of Barry Haywood. Attorney Putney stated that the Chairman should probably not be a political person. Bill Dixon stated that he would no oppose Barry Haywood as Chairman. Mr. Haywood stated that he would be

pleased to be the Chairman. No further discussion. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carried. The committee discussed the option of using a democratic with supermajority process of approving the option to be presented to the public for vote. The supermajority would require 2/3 or 3/4 of the committee to vote for the option. This identifies the decision as a positive one. Bob Smith made a motion to use democratic with supermajority with 3/4 of all voting board members. Rick Schwenger seconded. Don Saylor stated that it may be difficult to get a 3/4 vote of the board if some people are absent. Keith Petti stated that a 3/4 majority was needed so the community will feel more comfortable. Also discussed was whether the two attorneys should be voting members of the group. The general consensus was that they should be voting members. No further discussion. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carried.

The draft of the proposed survey was reviewed. The survey will be handed out at the Public meeting. Other forms of distributing the survey were discussed.

The next committee meeting will be held on March 31, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.
The first Public meeting will be held on April 15, 2010.
The web site will be rolled out at the next Committee meeting prior to public meeting.

With no further topics to discuss, a motion was made by Nancy Conklin and seconded by Rick Schwenger to adjourn. No further discussion. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Clark