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Community is Invited to Public Meeting Describing Fiscal & Tax Impact of Dissolving the Village of Edwards

Residents of the Village and Town of Edwards are invited to a public meeting on Tuesday, September 28 to learn about the fiscal and tax impacts of dissolving the Village of Edwards. The meeting will be at 7:00 PM at the Edwards Town Hall, 161 Main Street.

The Village's Dissolution Committee has been conducting a study since early summer with assistance from the study consultant, the Rochester-based Center of Governmental Research (CGR). CGR and the Committee will present key findings and options for the future to the Village/Town boards and the public, and also answer questions. The presentation will describe:

:Estimated cost savings if the Village dissolves

:Tax impact of dissolution-for both Village and Town-outside-Village taxpayers

:Service impact

:Next steps in the study process

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The dissolution study is funded through a state grant. The Committee is posting information developed during the study at www.cgr.org/edwards. Draft copies of two key reports, one describing how the Village and Town currently provide services and functions in the event of dissolution ("Options Report"), will be posted to the project website on Wednesday, September 22nd, 2010.

Committee members urge both Village and Town-outside-Village residents to attend the September 28th session. Although voters in the Village of Edwards will make the final decision regarding whether to approve dissolving the Village, dissolution does impact both the Village and TOV, the Committee said.

The Village Board anticipates putting the question of dissolving the Village before voters on March 15th, 2011. If Village of Edwards voters approve dissolution, it would take effect on December 31st, 2012.

STUDY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE:

Village of Edwards: Chris Averill and Amber Drew

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About CGR:

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