



Descriptive Summary of the Dissolution Plan for the Village of Mannsville

Prepared for the Village of Mannsville Board



Dissolution Plan Developed by Study Committee

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What is in the Dissolution Plan?

- ▶ Mayor and Board positions eliminated
- ▶ Village Clerk position eliminated, Deputy Clerk position transferred to the Town
- ▶ Street lights provided by the Town through a special district. The estimated cost of this service would be approximately \$0.6 per \$1,000 of assessed value.
- ▶ Water provided by the Town through a special district and continues to be funded through user fees. Water fund balance used to pay down the debt. Outstanding debt becomes part of the Mannsville water district.
- ▶ Financial contributions to the library (~\$800) and the Mannsville Fire Department (\$4,000) are at the discretion of the Town (Dissolution Plan assumes elimination)

What is in the Dissolution Plan?

- ▶ The outstanding debt on the Village Hall will be paid for and the building will be sold to the library (note: Dissolution Plan is advisory to the Village Board, which can choose how to respond).
- ▶ The Village Board may sell the garage and equipment to the church or an adjacent neighbor.
- ▶ The park, water filtration plant and water tower will transfer to the Town.
- ▶ The town would issue building permits and the town zoning board would cover the former Village.
- ▶ Laws and ordinances remain in effect for up to two years, unless no longer applicable or amended/repealed by the Town. The Town could adopt Village laws (e.g. zoning, dogs at-large) as Town laws. The Dissolution Plan does not bind the Town to do so.

What is in the Dissolution Plan?

- ▶ The Town Highway Department would provide the following services:
 - ▶ Plow, sand and sweep the streets (as it does currently)
 - ▶ Maintain the Village Park
 - ▶ Collect storm damage debris
 - ▶ Clean and flush fire hydrants
- ▶ Current Village services that would be discontinued:
 - ▶ Plow the church, museum, library or fire department
 - ▶ Hang Christmas lights
 - ▶ Pick up leaves
 - ▶ Remove snow from fire hydrants
- ▶ The Village laborer position would be eliminated.

What is your tax rate today?

	Mannsville Resident	Town of Ellisburg Resident, outside of villages
Town tax rate (does not include special districts)	\$2.4	\$2.4
Mannsville tax rate	\$3.0	n/a
Total	\$5.4	\$2.4

What is your tax rate if the Village dissolves?

	Mannsville Resident	Town of Ellisburg Resident outside of villages
Town tax rate (does not include special districts)	\$2.5	\$2.5
Mannsville street lights	\$0.6	n/a
Total	\$3.1	\$2.5

The Village tax rate will decrease by approximately 40% and the Town tax rate will increase slightly (2%).

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What is your tax rate under dissolution if the state aid is factored in?

	Mannsville Resident	Town of Ellisburg Resident outside of villages
Town tax rate (does not include special districts)	\$2.5	\$2.5
Mannsville street lights	\$0.6	n/a
Subtotal	\$3.1	\$2.5
Application of state aid	-\$0.6	-\$0.6
Total	\$2.5	\$1.9

The Village tax rate will decrease by approximately 50% and the Town tax rate will decrease by 20%

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What is the tax impact of dissolution on a property valued at \$75,000?

Current Tax Bills:

- Village: \$405
- Town Outside Village: \$180

Estimated Tax Bills (without state aid):

- Village: \$231
- Town Outside Village: \$184

Estimated Tax Bills (with state aid):

- Village: \$189
- Town Outside Village: \$142



Next Steps Timeline

- ▶ The Village Board determines whether or not to put dissolution to a vote
- ▶ If the Board decides to hold a vote, the Board will hold a public hearing on the Plan (January 8) followed by a public vote (March 19)
- ▶ If the Board decides not to hold a vote, the Board can choose to implement any of the alternatives (e.g. shared services). The public can also petition for a vote.
- ▶ Dissolution effective date: May 31, 2014

Detailed Information is Available

For more information, please visit the study website:

<http://www.cgr.org/mannsville/>