



Village of Brockport Forum on Dissolution

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Village of Brockport
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Village Dissolutions

Union - 1921	North Pelham - 1975
La Fargeville -1922	Friendship - 1977
Marlboro - 1922	Rosendale - 1977
Eastwood - 1926	Savannah - 1979
Newfield - 1926	Elizabethtown - 1980
Pleasant Valley - 1926	Bloomington - 1985
Sound Avenue - 1927	Pine Hill - 1986
Belleville - 1930	Woodhull - 1986
Northville - 1930	Pine Valley - 1991
Jamaica Square - 1931	Westport - 1992
Henderson - 1933	Ticonderoga - 1993
Old Forge - 1936	Fillmore - 1994
North Bangor - 1939	Schenevus - 1994
Forestport - 1940	Mooers - 1995
Village of the Landing - 1940	Andes - 2003
Downsville - 1950	Pike - 2009
Amchir - 1968	Limestone - 2010
Prattsburg - 1972	Perrysburgh - 2011
Fort Covington - 1975	Randolph - 2011
Pelham - 1975	East Randolph - 2011
	Seneca Falls - 2011

Villages Currently or Recently Studying Dissolution

Lake George	Cherry Valley
Schuylerville	Macedon
Medina	Speculator
Waddington	Wellsville
Port Henry	Corinth
Candor	Dansville
Windsor	North Collins
Albion	Allegany
Ellenville	Johnson City
Port Henry	Alden
Cobbleskil	Camilus
Lewiston	



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NYCOM's Position

- 1. Villages Are Not Merely Multipurpose Taxing Districts**
- 2. Village Are Not a Third Layer of Government**
- 3. Villages Are New York's Form of Incorporated Cities**



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NYCOM's Position

- 4. Residents Should Have the Ability to Petition to Create & Dissolve Villages**
- 5. Village Boards Should Have the Ability to Initiate Dissolution**
- 6. Neither For Nor Against Dissolving Brockport (or Any Particular Village)**



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What Will Happen If the Village Dissolves?

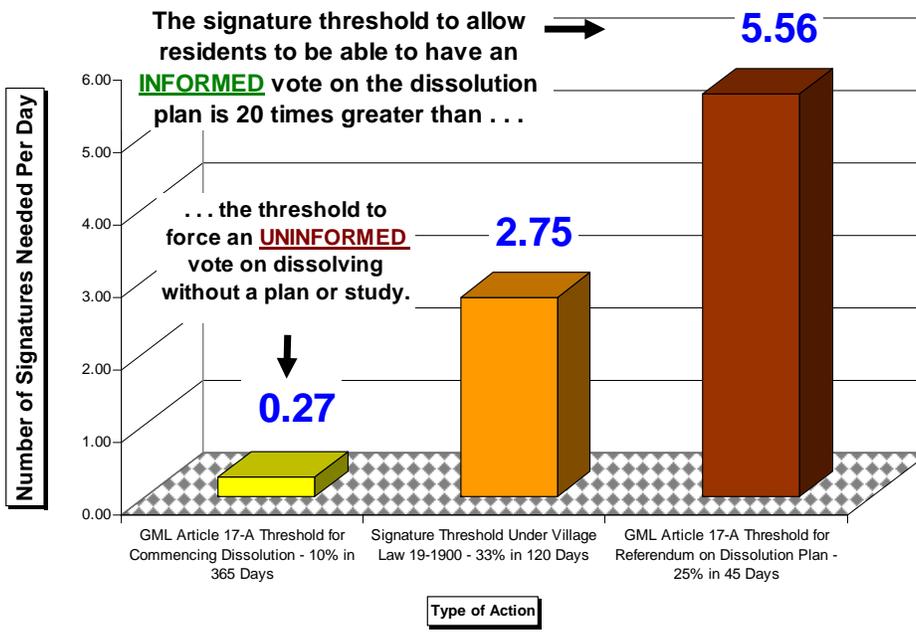
Very Few Certainties

- Village Residents' Taxes Will Go Down

How Much?

- On June 15th, You Are Voting on Whether to Dissolve the Village, **NOT To Study Dissolution**

Number of Signatures Needed Per Day In a Village with 1,000 Electors





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**Each Village Dissolution Is
Unique & Must be Considered
on a Case-By-Case Basis**

- 1. The Services Villages Provide
Varies From Village to Village**
- 2. The Services Towns Provide
Varies From Town to Town**
- 3. Different Economic &
Demographic Characteristics**



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on a Case-By-Case Basis**

**Can't We Just Use the 1974
Dissolution Study?**



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Center for Government Research
www.cgr.org/brockport/index.aspx

NYS Department of State
www.dos.state.ny.us/lgss/index.htm

NYS Office of the State Comptroller
www.osc.state.ny.us/localgov/index.htm

NYS Office of the Attorney General
www.oag.state.ny.us

Commission on Local Government Efficiency
www.nyslocalgov.org



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Prior Local Government Commissions

Local Government Restructuring Project
(Rockefeller Institute, a.k.a. Riley Commission)
(1990-1992)

**Commission on
Consolidation of Local Governments**
(Cuomo, 1990-1993)

Commission on Local Government Reform
(Pataki, 2002-2004)

**Commission on Local Government
Efficiency & Competitiveness**
(Spitzer, 2007-2008)



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General Municipal Law Article 17-A

- Signed into Law on June 24, 2009
- Chapter 74 of the Laws of 2009
- Effective 270 Days After Enacted

Effective March 21, 2010



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General Municipal Law Article 17-A

- Stated Reasons for the Act
 1. “There are 10,521 overlapping government units, providing duplicative services creating needless, wasteful bureaucracies.”



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Structure of New York's Local Governments 101

- Counties
- Cities & Villages
- Towns
- Town Special Districts
 - ✦ Town Board Managed
 - ✦ Board of Elected Commissioners
- Fire Districts & Fire Protection Districts

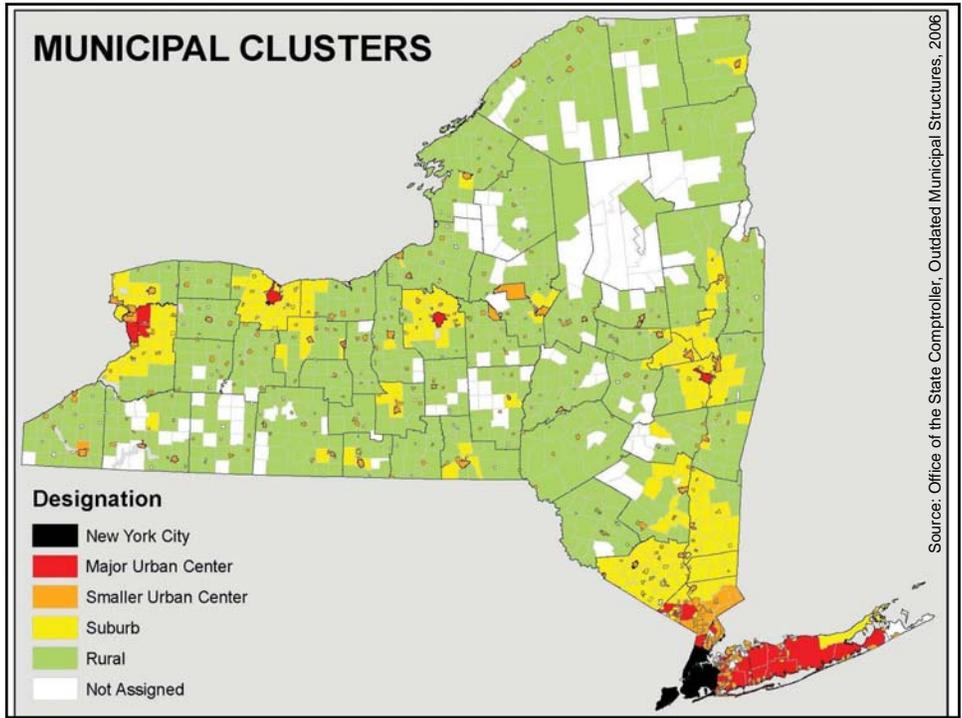
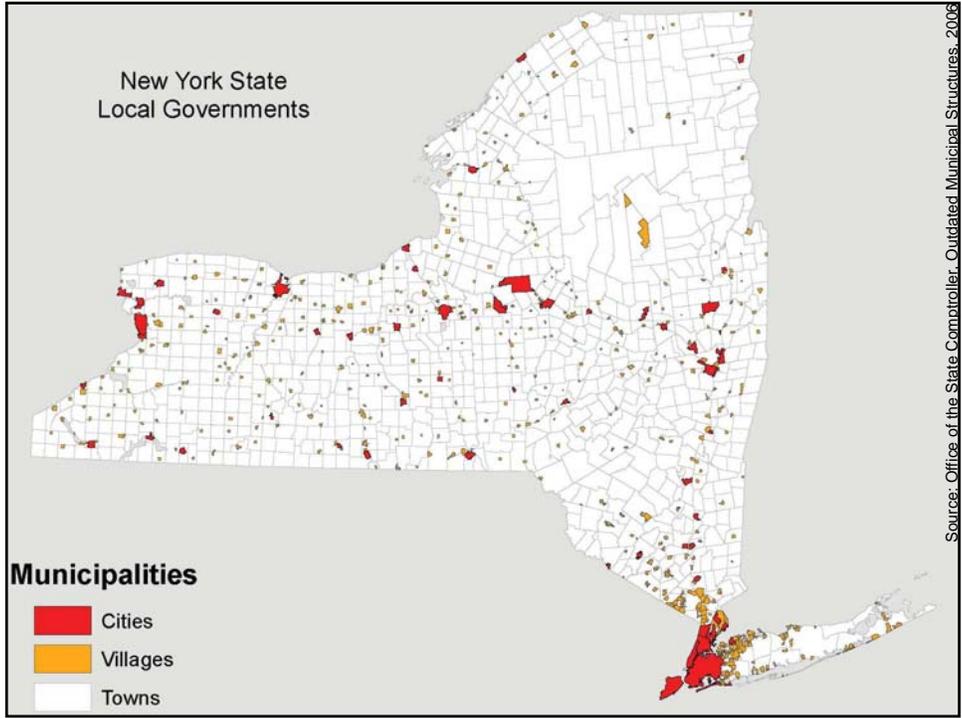


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Number of Local Government Entities in Monroe County

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| ★ County - 1 | ★ Fire District - 23 |
| ★ City - 1 | ★ Fire Protection - 15 |
| ★ Town - 20 | ★ Park District - 45 |
| ★ Village - 10 | ★ Refuse District - 14 |
| ★ School District - 18 | ★ Sewer District - 62 |
| ★ Lighting District - 161 | ★ Water District - 98 |
| ★ Drainage District - 102 | ★ Other Districts - 54 |
| ★ Total Town Special Districts - 551 | |

Source: Office of the Attorney
General Website





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**Structure of New York's Local
Governments 101**

<u>City of Sherrill</u>	<u>City of Little Falls</u>	<u>Village of Potsdam</u>	<u>Village of Brockport</u>
3,147 People	5,188 People	9,425 People	8,103 People
1,573 Per Sq Mile	1,367 Per Sq Mile	2,148 Per Sq Mile	3,683 Per Sq Mile
1,309 Housing Units	2,646 Housing Units	2,705 Housing Units	2,589 Housing Units
654 Per Sq Mile	697 Per Sq Mile	616 Per Sq Mile	1,198 Per Sq Mile



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Number of "Cities" by State

California = 458

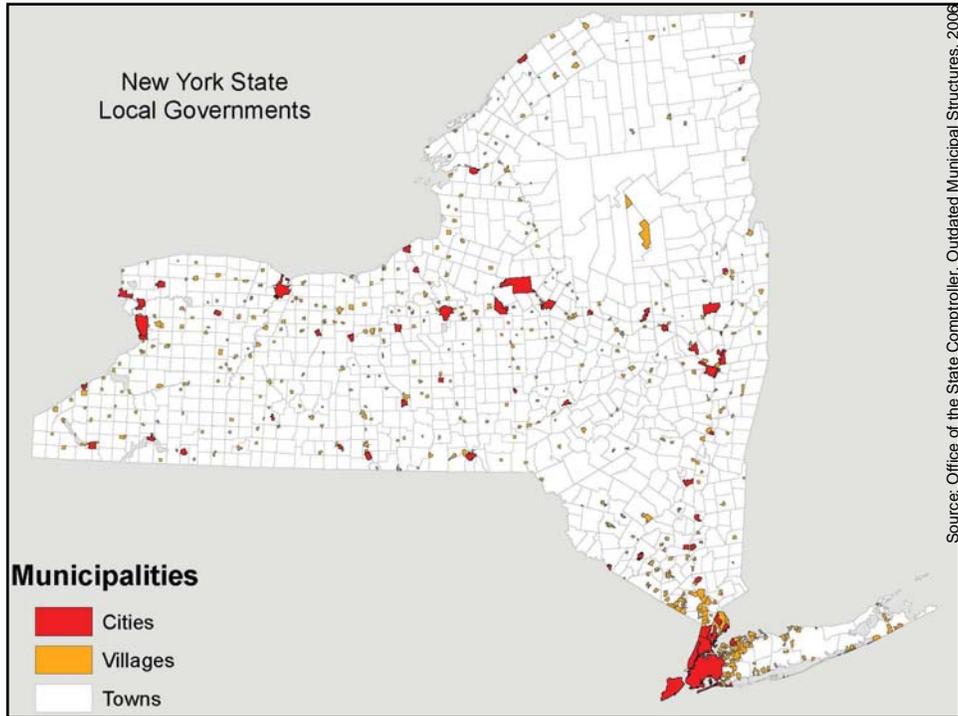
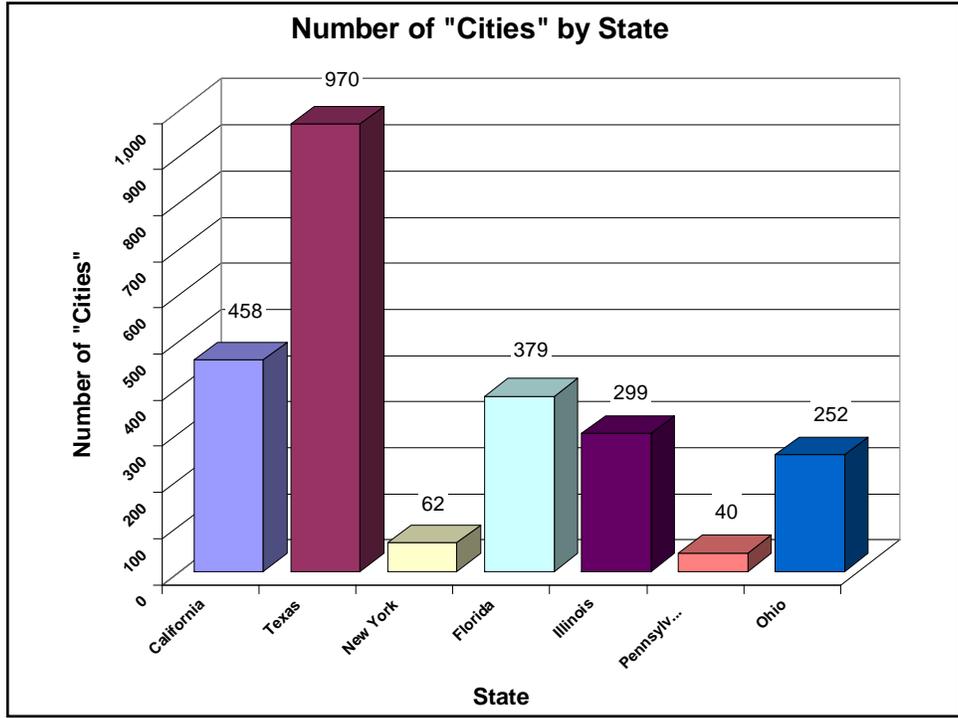
Texas = 970

New York = 62

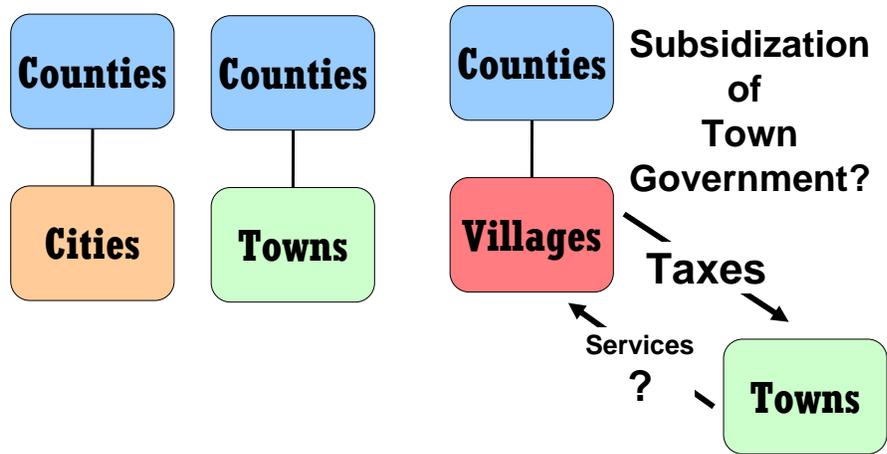
Florida = 379

Illinois = 299

Ohio = 252



**Structure of New York's Local
Governments 101**



Village Dissolution

Is a Town Issue!



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The Town Budget

Four Parts

- **General Fund**
 - A. Town-Wide
 - B. Town Outside of Village
- **Highway**
 - A. Town-Wide
 - B. Town Outside of Village



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The Town Budget

Budgeted Expenditures, 2010-11				
Village of Brockport and Town of Sweden				
(Dollars in millions)				
	Village	Townwide	TOV	Combined
General	\$5.129	\$2.572	-	\$7.701
General TOV	-	-	\$0.500	\$0.500
Highway TOV	-	-	\$1.349	\$1.349
Total	\$5.129	\$2.572	\$1.849	\$9.550

Source: 2010-11 Village budget and 2010 Town budget

Source: CGR May 26, 2010 Presentation



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Recommended Reading

Outdated Municipal Structures

www.osc.state.ny.us

The Evolution Of New York State's Local Government System by Prof. Gerald Benjamin

www.nyslocalgov.org/pdf/BenjaminEvolution.pdf

Redrawing Local Government Boundaries: An International Study of Politics, Procedures and Decisions by John Meligrana



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The Evolution Of New York State's Local Government System by Prof. Gerald Benjamin, SUNY New Paltz

"[A]fter American independence towns in New York State, like counties, were involuntary (that is, created without local request or action) and universal. In 1788 there were already 119 towns in New York's sixteen counties. The legislature divided all territory in counties outside cities and Indian reservations into towns under provision of the state constitution as new counties were created. In 1830 counties were given the power to create towns and later, to alter their boundaries."



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by Prof. Gerald Benjamin, SUNY New Paltz

"The general powers of town government reflect their rural preoccupations. They could improve common land and regulate its use; erect and maintain fences and oversee fences built and maintained by private citizens; provide animal pounds and regulate animals at large; destroy noxious animals and birds; and 'prosecute or defend the common rights of such town.'"



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- ✦ *1788 Towns Created Throughout New York*
- ✦ *1830 County Given Power to Create Towns*
- ✦ *1890 Town Law – Town Board Still Not a Legislative Body*
- ✦ *1898 Power to Buy Water Works*
- ✦ *1900 Power to Create Water Districts*
- ✦ *1901 Power to Create Sewer Districts*
- ✦ *1932 Broad Powers Given to Town Boards*
- ✦ *1963 Constitutional Home Rule Amendment Extended Home Rule to Towns*

Size of the Town of Sweden Today if Its Boundaries Had Grown to Match Increase in Average Travel Time



Town of Sweden Formed in 1813 by the Legislature Basis for Town Boundaries? Travel Time!

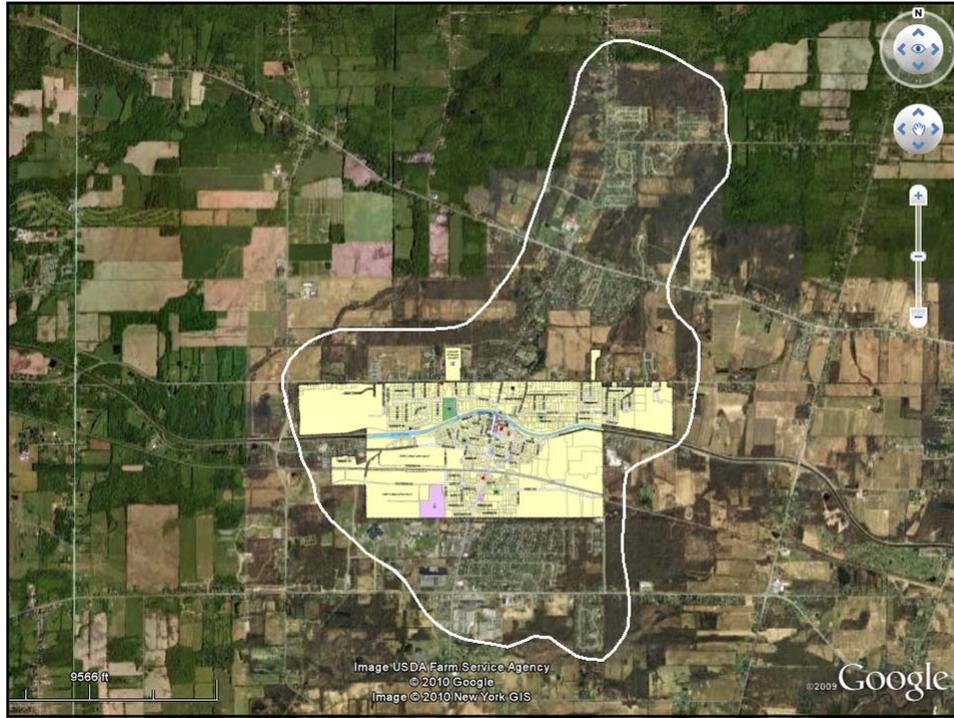
What was the Average Travel Time in 1813?

5-7 Miles Per Hour!



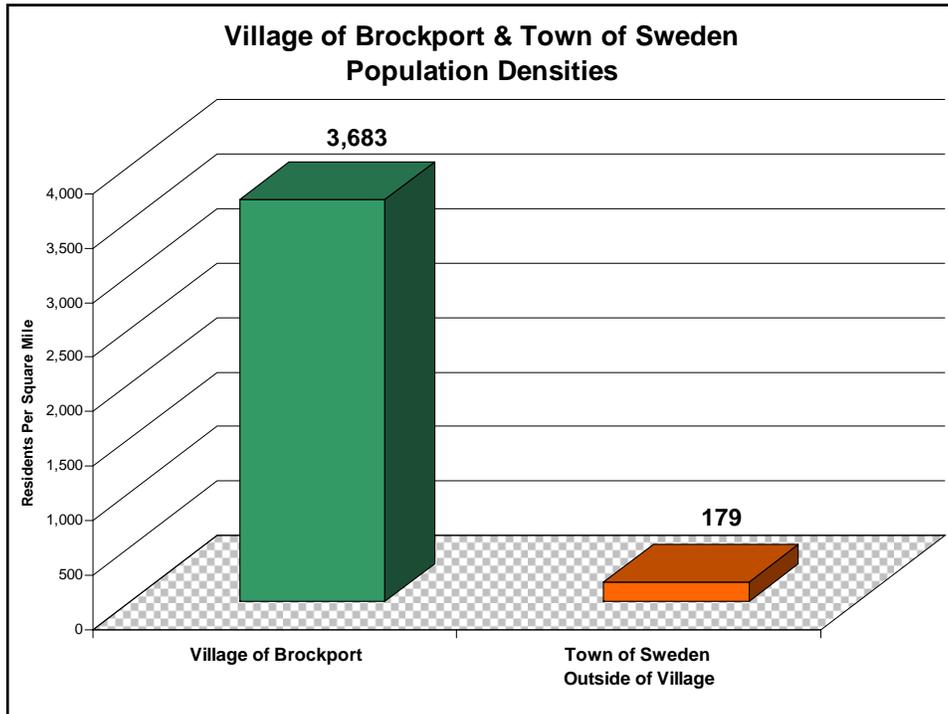
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**What About the
Village Boundaries?**



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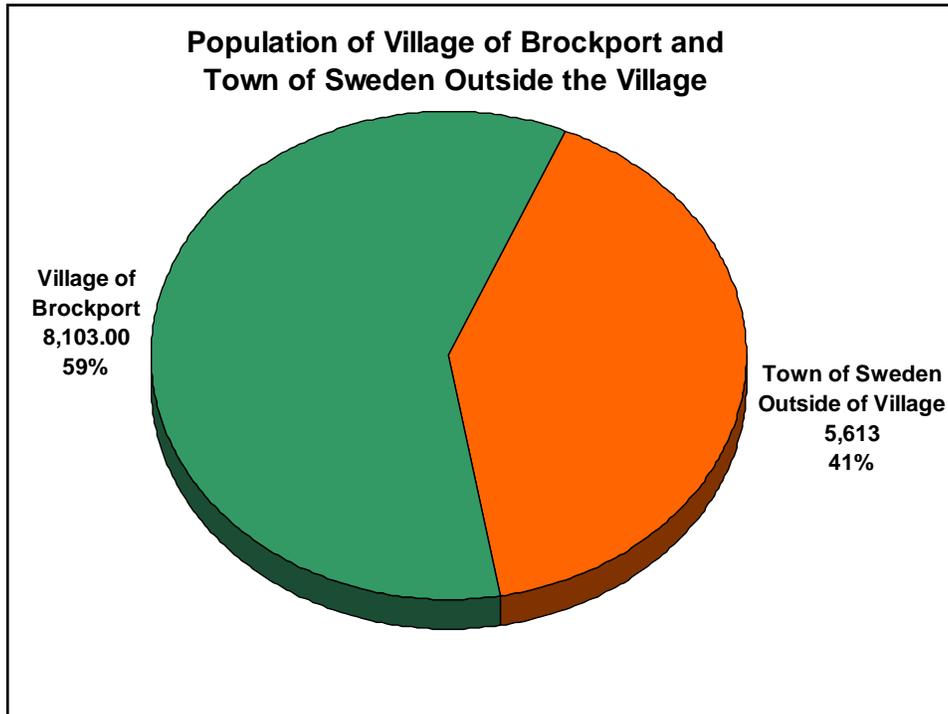
	Village of Brockport	Town of Sweden Outside of Village	Difference in Population, Area, & Density
Population	8,103.00	5,613.00	2,490.00
Area	2.20	31.30	14.23
Density	3,683.18	179.33	20.54



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Demographics

- **Urban – U.S. Census Bureau**
 - ★ **Population of 2,500 with Core Census Block Groups or Blocks That Have a Population Density of at Least 1,000 People Per Square Mile, &**
 - ★ **Surrounding Census Blocks That Have an Overall Density of at Least 500 People Per Square Mile**



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**Dissolution Studies –
Sources of Cost/Tax Savings**

- 1. Efficiencies - Economies of Scale**
- 2. Discontinuing Services**
- 3. Restructuring Services**
- 4. Elimination of Elected Officials**
- 5. Increased Aid from the State**
- 6. Village Residents No Longer
Paying Town Taxes for Services
They Do Not Receive**



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Main Issue Affecting Cost Savings Service Continuity

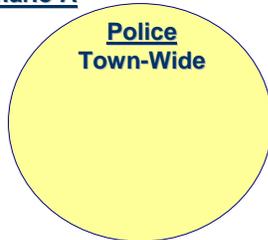
1. Town-Wide Function;
2. Continued but Limited to & Financed by Area Less Than the Entire Town (District); or
3. Terminated as a Governmental Activity



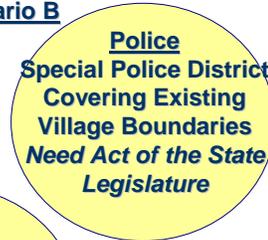
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Main Issue Affecting Cost Savings Service Continuity

Scenario A



Scenario B



Scenario C



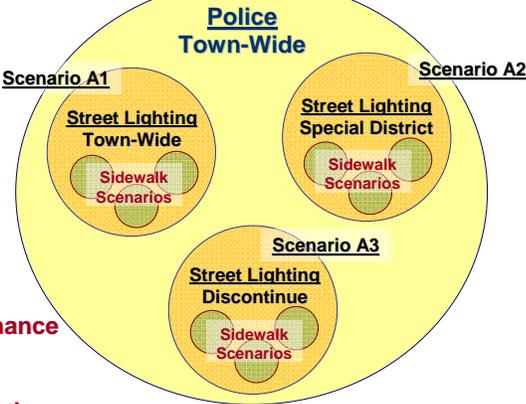
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Highway Maintenance
Justice Court
Elected Officials
Some Administration



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Scenario A



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Main Issue Affecting Cost Savings Potential Scenarios

<u>Police Town-Wide</u>	<u>Police Town-Wide</u>	<u>Police Town-Wide</u>
Lighting Town-Wide	Lighting District	Lighting Eliminated
Sidewalks Town-Wide	Sidewalks Town-Wide	Sidewalks Town-Wide
Refuse Town-Wide	Refuse Town-Wide	Refuse Town-Wide
Refuse District	Refuse District	Refuse District
Refuse Eliminated	Refuse Eliminated	Refuse Eliminated
Sidewalks District	Sidewalks District	Sidewalks District
Refuse Town-Wide	Refuse Town-Wide	Refuse Town-Wide
Refuse District	Refuse District	Refuse District
Refuse Eliminated	Refuse Eliminated	Refuse Eliminated
Sidewalks Eliminated	Sidewalks Eliminated	Sidewalks Eliminated
Refuse Town-Wide	Refuse Town-Wide	Refuse Town-Wide
Refuse District	Refuse District	Refuse District
Refuse Eliminated	Refuse Eliminated	Refuse Eliminated



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General Municipal Law Article 17-A

★ **General Issues**

❖ **Districts & Cost-Structures**

Village of Seneca Falls Dissolution Plan - Fire Protection			
Cost of Village Provided Service	Cost of Town Fire Protection District Pre-Dissolution	Cost of Town-Wide Fire District Post-Dissolution	Difference in Cost for Village Residents
\$0.59	\$1.18	\$0.97	64%



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Village of North Collins Dissolution Plan - Fire Protection			
Cost of Village Provided Service	Cost of Town Fire Protection District	Cost of Town-Wide Fire District	Difference in Cost for Village Residents
\$1.03	\$1.34	\$1.26	22%
With Debt			
\$2.31	\$1.34	\$1.26	124%



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★ General Issues

❖ Districts & Cost-Structures

Village of North Collins Dissolution Plan - Garbage Collection

Cost of Village Provided Service	Cost of Town Refuse District	Cost of Town-Wide Refuse District	Difference in Cost for Village Residents
\$144	\$192	\$173	19%



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★ Are There Alternatives?

- a. Shared Services
- b. Village Annexation
- c. Co-Terminous Town-Village
- d. Consolidation of the Town with Neighboring Towns
- e. Charter Village as City
- f. Exempt Village From Town Taxes
- g. Discontinue Services



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- ★ **Source of Savings for Villagers**
 - a. **Efficiencies - Economies of Scale**
 - b. **Discontinuing Services**
 - c. **Restructuring Services**
 - d. **Elimination of Elected Officials**
 - e. **Increased Aid from the State**
 - f. **Village Residents No Longer Paying Town Taxes Services Not Received**



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Dissolution Studies – Sources of Cost/Tax Savings

1. **Increased Efficiencies Through Improvement In Economies of Scale**
 - ★ **As a General Rule, Some Economies of Scale Achieved**
 - * **Generally Relatively Nominal & Account For Only a Small Percentage of the Total Savings to Village Residents**



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Dissolution Studies – Sources of Cost/Tax Savings

2. Cost-Savings Resulting From Discontinuing a Service(s) to Village Residents

★ **Village of Seneca Falls Dissolution
Proposal – No Town Police Service,
Rely on County Sheriff**

**! Something Village Could Do on Its
Own Without Dissolving**



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Dissolution Studies – Sources of Cost/Tax Savings

3. Restructuring How Services Are Provided

★ **Village of Johnson City Dissolution
Proposal, Form a Special District &
Contract With County Sheriff to
Provide the Services**

**! Village Could Do This Without
Dissolving**

**Dissolution Studies –
Sources of Cost/Tax Savings**

**4. Cost-Savings From Eliminating
Elected Officials**

- **Whether Elimination of Elected
Officials Is Efficient Depends on
Whether It Creates a Less
Accountable, Less Democratic
Local Government**

**Dissolution Studies –
Sources of Cost/Tax Savings**

5. Incentive Aid From the State

- ★ **New York State Created Incentive
Program For Consolidating &
Dissolving Local Governments**
- ★ **When Local Governments Dissolve
or Consolidate, Remaining Local
Government Is Entitled to an
Increase In Aid From the State**

Consequences of Village Dissolutions State Incentivizing The Creation of Districts		
Village	Districts Created Total Number of Entities (10,521)	Increase In State Aid
Village of Pike	4 Districts (10,524)	\$67,200 Per Year (Current - \$9,474 Per Year)
Village of Limestone (Effective 12/31/2010)	3 Districts (10,526)	\$58,280 Per Year (Current - \$14,283 Per Year)
Village of Seneca Falls (Effective 12/31/2011)	4 Districts (10,529)	\$506,000 Per Year
Village of Perrysburg (Effective 12/31/2011)	2 District (10,530)	\$73,000 Per Year
Village of East Randolph (Effective 12/31/2011)	3 Districts (10,532)	\$79,550 Per Year
Village of Randolph (Effective 12/31/2011)		\$120,568 Per Year

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**Dissolution Studies –
Sources of Cost/Tax Savings**

5. Incentive Aid From the State

- **Incentive Aid is a Substantial Part
of Every Village Dissolution Study
Discussion**
- **Cost-Savings to Attributable to
This Aid Has Nothing to Do w/
Increased Efficiency**
- **State Aid Is Not Guaranteed!**

**Dissolution Studies –
Sources of Cost/Tax Savings**

**6. Village Residents No Longer
Subsidizing Town Operations**

- ★ **Village Residents Pay Town-Wide
Taxes, Frequently Receiving Little
or No Services From the Town**
- ★ **This Is a Subsidization of Town
Operations by Village Residents**

**Dissolution Studies –
Sources of Cost/Tax Savings**

**6. Village Residents No Longer
Subsidizing Town Operations**

- ★ **Many Dissolutions Studies Have
Shown That, While Village
Residents' Taxes Will Go Down as
a Result of Proposed Dissolution,
Taxes of Residents of Town
Outside of Village Actually Go Up**



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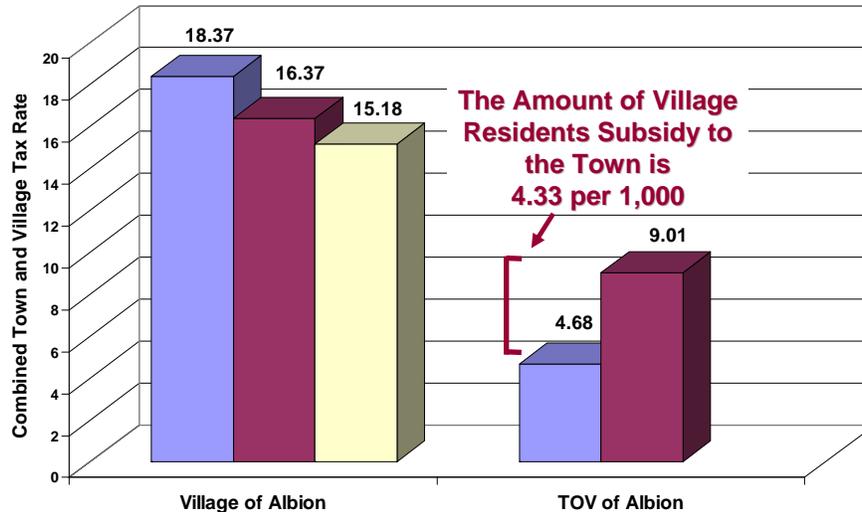
6. Village Residents No Longer Subsidizing Town Operations

	Tax Rate* Before Proposed Dissolution	Projected Tax Rate* After Dissolution	Tax Rate* if Village Residents Did NOT Pay Town Taxes
Village of Albion	18.37	16.37	15.18
TOV of Albion	4.68	9.01	?

Source: CGR Study, available at www.cgr.org

* Mil Rate, per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Village of Albion & Town Outside of the Village Total Tax Rates



The Amount of Village Residents Subsidy to the Town is 4.33 per 1,000

Source: www.cgr.org

- Tax Rate Before Proposed Dissolution
- Projected Tax Rate After Dissolution
- Tax Rate if Village Residents Did NOT Have to Pay Town Taxes

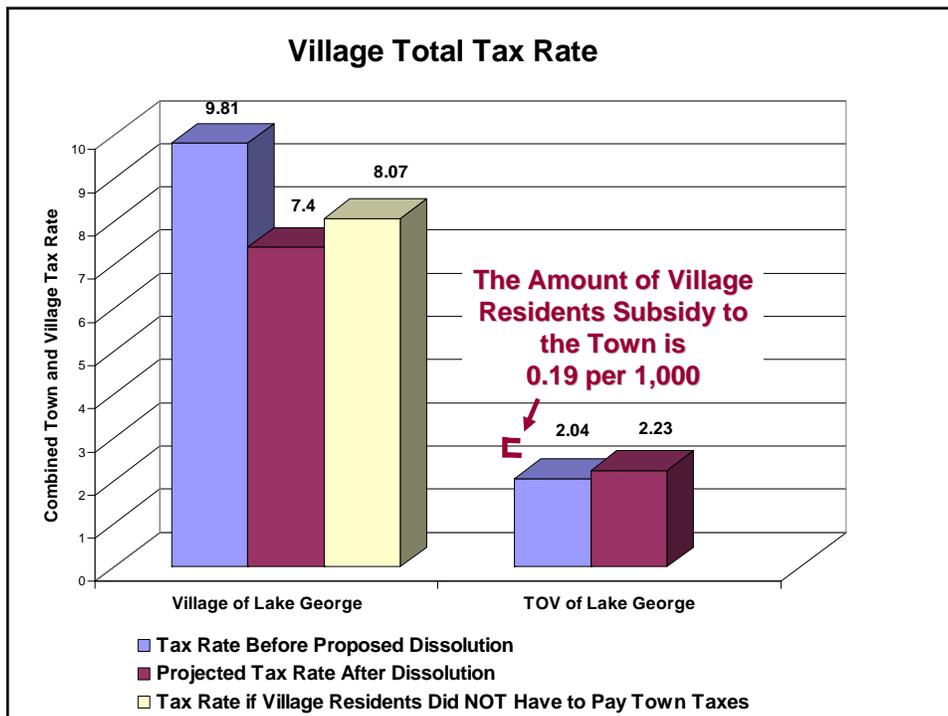


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6. Village Residents No Longer Subsidizing Town Operations

	Tax Rate Before Proposed Dissolution	Projected Tax Rate After Dissolution	Tax Rate if Village Residents Did NOT Pay Town Taxes
Village of Lake George	9.81	7.4	8.07
TOV of Lake George	2.04	2.23	?





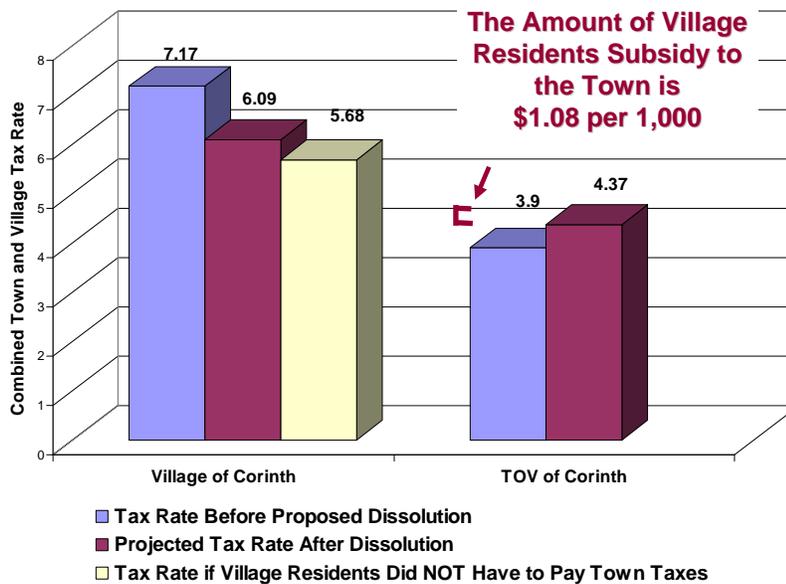
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6. Village Residents No Longer Subsidizing Town Operations

	Tax Rate Before Proposed Dissolution	Projected Tax Rate After Dissolution	Tax Rate if Village Residents Did NOT Pay Town Taxes
Village of Corinth	\$7.17	\$6.09	\$5.68
TOV of Corinth	\$3.90	\$4.37	?

Village Total Tax Rate



**Dissolution Studies –
Sources of Cost/Tax Savings****6. Village Residents No Longer
Subsidizing Town Operations**

- ★ **Example of Equitable & Judicious
Allocation of Town Taxes on
Village Residents =
Village of Johnson City?**

Problems with Districts

- **Districts Potential to be
Undemocratic & Unaccountable**
 1. **Districts w/ Elected Commissioners
Have Extremely Low Voter Turnout
for District Elections**
 2. **Town Administered Districts Subject
District Residents to Control of
Officials Elected by Residents
Outside of the District**

Problems with Districts

- **Less Accountable than Village Government**
- **Can Result in an Unfair Distribution of Costs – Free Riders**

**Factors That Determine Democratic
Local Government Arrangements**

- ❖ **One Factor In Determining Local Government Boundaries Is That They Should be Based, at Least In Part, Upon Ability of Resulting Governing Body to Address Local Preferences & Needs**

- Geography Professor Ronan Paddison



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ALTERNATIVES TO DISSOLUTION

- A. Shared Services**
- B. Village Annexation**
- C. Co-Terminous Town-Village**
- D. Consolidation of the Town with Neighboring Towns**
- E. Charter Village as City**
- F. Exempt Village From Town Taxes**
- G. Discontinue Services**



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Shared Services

- ❖ **Any Thing a Municipality Can Do by Itself, It Can Do With Another Municipality**
- ❖ **General Municipal Law Article 5-G**
- ❖ **Many Municipalities Are Already Sharing Services**

Shared Services

- ❖ **Many Villages Considering
Dissolution Won't See
Significant Cost Savings
Because Existing Shared
Services Have Already Lowered
Village Expenses**

Co-Terminous Town-Village

- ❖ **Town & Village Share Exact
Same Boundary & Function as a
Single Unit of Government**
 - a. **Mount Kisco**
 - b. **Harrison**
 - c. **Scarsdale**
 - d. **Green Island**
 - e. **East Rochester**

Co-Terminous Town-Village

- ❖ **Town & Village Share Exact Same Boundary & Function as a Single Unit of Government**

Why?

**No Duplication of Taxation.
Village Residents Don't Pay
Town Taxes.**

Co-Terminous Town-Village

💣 Not Easy To Do

Co-Terminous Town-Village

❖ **Administering Town-Village**

A. Village Law Article 17

B. Referendum - Voters Must

Decide Whether Local

Government Will Operate

“Principally as a Village” or

“Principally as a Town”

Co-Terminous Town-Village

❖ **Administering Town-Village**

C. After Referendum, One Unit of

Government Will Exist, Which

Will Function as Either a Town

or a Village

Municipal Annexation

- ❖ **General Municipal Law Article 17**
- ❖ **Alteration of the Boundaries of a County, City, Town or Village Which has the Effect of Adding Territory to It**

Municipal Annexation

- ❖ **Petition of Residents in Territory to be Annexed**
- ❖ **Approval of Both Municipal Boards**
- ❖ **Vote of Residents in Territory to be Annexed**

Municipal Annexation

❖ Why?

- **Village Currently Providing Services Outside Its Boundaries?**
- **Free Riders?**
- **Could Village Provide Services to Properties Outside Boundaries More Efficiently Than an Existing District**

Consolidation of Towns

- **Will Not Result in Creation of Districts**
- **Only Option Likely to Result in a Reduction of Taxes for Both Village Residents & Residents of the Town Outside the Village**

Charter Village as City

- ❖ **Act of the State Legislature**
- ❖ **Village Would No Longer be Part of the Town**
- ❖ **Village Residents Would No Longer Pay Town Taxes**
 - 💣* **Last Charter Granted by the State was in 1942**

Exempt Village From Town Taxes

- ❖ **Special Act of the State Legislature Needed**
- 💣* **Opposition from Town Because of Loss of Revenue**
- ! But Village Dissolution Likely to Result in Increase in Taxes of Residents Outside of Village**

Discontinue Service

- ❖ **Village of Johnson City
Dissolution Study – Discussion
of Converting from Paid Fire
Dept. to Volunteer Fire Dept.**

**But Could the Village Discontinue
the Service without Dissolving?**

General Municipal Law Article 17-A

- **Key Provisions**
 - 1. Consolidation Part**
 - a. **Governing Board Initiated**
 - b. **Electorate Initiated**
 - 2. Dissolution Part**
 - a. **Governing Board Initiated**
 - b. **Electorate Initiated**
 - 3. County Initiation**

General Municipal Law Article 17-A**■ Consolidation****💣 Not Likely to Occur Because
of Systemic Obstacles**

- a. Requires Coordination of
Multiple Interest Groups
- b. Leveling Up – Unless Efficiencies
Achieved Are Sufficient,
Someone's Taxes Are Likely to
Increase

General Municipal Law Article 17-A**■ Dissolution****Termination of the Existence of a
Local Government Entity****💣 Towns Are Excluded**

- What About Districts?

💣 Not Practical

- Used Only to Dissolve Villages

General Municipal Law Article 17-A

- **Dissolution**
Methods for Initiating
 - 1. Governing Body Resolution,
Subject to a Referendum**
 - 2. Elector Initiative**

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- **Elector Initiated Dissolution**
 - A. Referendum**
 - i. If it Fails, No Dissolution for 4 Years**
 - ii. If it Passes, Then Must Develop
Dissolution Plan**

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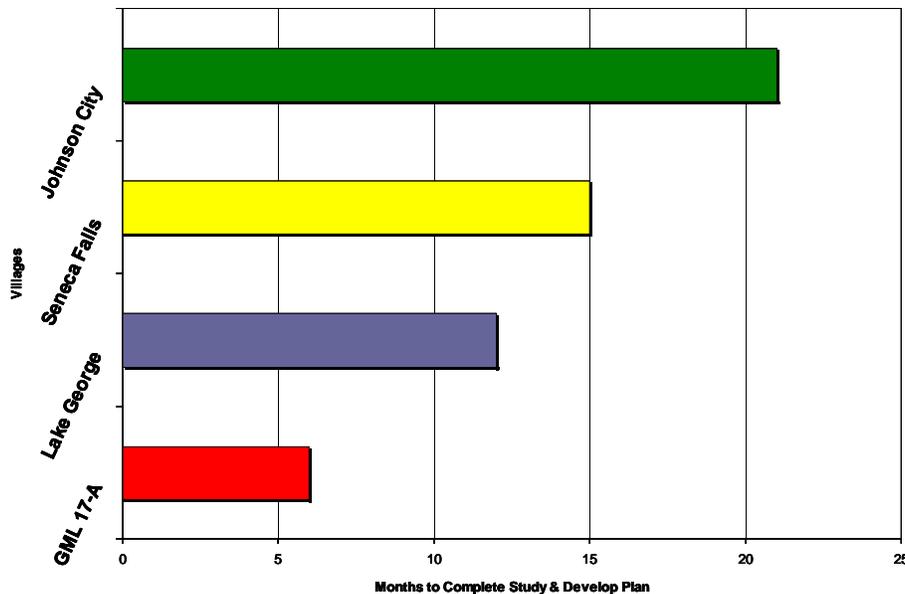
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- B. Developing Dissolution Plan**

- i. **Board Must Meet within 30 Days of Vote Approving Dissolution**
 - ii. **180 Days to Prepare a Plan**
 - 🔴* **Time Period is Impractical**
 - ii. **Study Committee & Consultant**
 - 🔴* **Not Referenced in the Act, but Generally Necessary**

Dissolution Study Timeframes





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C. Developing Dissolution Plan

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| a) Name of Village to be Dissolved; | j) Terms for Disposing of Village's Assets & Liabilities & Indebtedness, Including Levying & Collecting of Taxes & Assessments Necessary to Pay Off Any Liability or Indebtedness; |
| b) Village's Territorial Boundaries; | k) Whether Any of the Village's Local Laws, Will Remain In Effect After Dissolution's, GML § 789 provides for 2 years, - Town May Amend/Repeal at Any Time; |
| c) Type &/or Class of the Village; | l) Dissolution's Effective Date; |
| d) Fiscal Estimate of Dissolution Cost; | m) Time & Place or Places for a Public Hearing(s) on the Proposed Dissolution Plan Pursuant to GML § 784; & |
| e) Any Plan for Transferring or Eliminating Positions of Public Employees; | n) Any Other Matter Desirable or Necessary to Carry Out the Dissolution. |
| f) Village's Assets, Including Real & Personal Property, & Its Fair Value; | |
| g) Village's Liabilities & Indebtedness, Bonded & Otherwise, & Its Fair Value; | |
| h) Any Agreements Entered Into With the Town(s) In Which the Village Is Situated In Order to Carry Out the Dissolution; | |
| i) Manner & Means Municipal Services Will Continue to be Provided Following the Village's Dissolution; | |



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C. Plan Goes Into Effect, Even if Democratically Elected Board Recommends Against It, Unless

- i. Petition Is Filed No Later Than 45 Days After Dissolution Plan Is Approved



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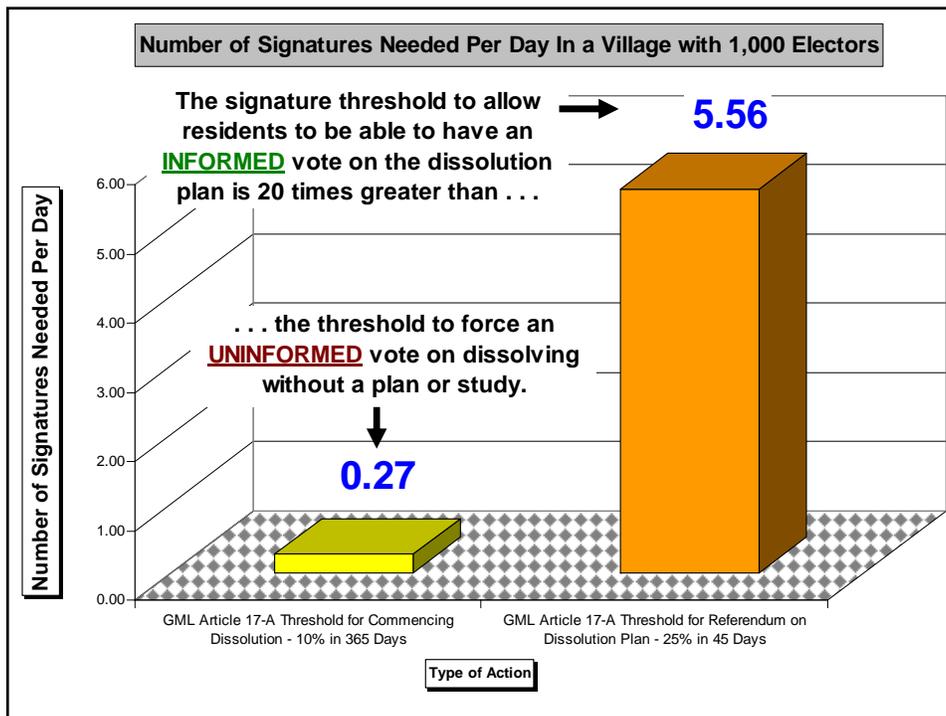
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ii. Petition Must Contain Signatures of at Least 25 % or 15,000 of Village's Electors, Whichever Is Less

💧* **This is a HUGE hurdle**

💧* **Dissolution by Default**



Dissolution Timeline Under GML 17-A

