

# STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

September 18, 2012, 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm at Village Hall

## Attendance:

- Matthew Monahan, Mayor of Village of Hoosick Falls
- Jeremy Driscoll, Trustee of Village of Hoosick Falls
- David Borge, Trustee of Village of Hoosick Falls
- Mark Surdam, Board Member of Town of Hoosick
- Louie Schmigel, Board Member of Town of Hoosick
- Lester Goodermote, Rensselaer County Legislator
- Bobby Ryan, Resident
- Joe Nuccio, Resident
- Dennis Casey, Resident
- Paul Bishop, Center for Governmental Research

## Discussion:

- Paul Bishop presented the Draft Options Report and an accompanying PowerPoint. Each section was reviewed and questions were answered. Several suggestions were recommended from committee members to improve the readability of the report and increase the likelihood of the citizens to understand the implications. All comments on Draft Options Report to need to be given to CGR by 9/28/12.
- Discussion of Next Steps in Process
  - Final Options Report posted to website on 10/4/12
  - Presentation of Options Report to Village Board and public on 10/10/12
  - Public Forum on Options Report on 10/18/12
    - ◆ Both meetings will be at a site other than village hall.
  - Steering Committee meets to adopt an Option
    - ◆ CGR is not present at this meeting
  - If Steering Committee adopts an option with dissolution, CGR will create a Dissolution Plan for the Village to follow
    - ◆ CGR will distribute this plan electronically to the steering committee and be able to discuss this plan and make revisions remotely.
    - ◆ Modifications to Dissolution Plan will be adopted into the final report *Village of Hoosick Falls Dissolution Study and Alternatives to Dissolution*
  - Steering Committee presents *Village of Hoosick Falls Dissolution Study and Alternatives to Dissolution* to the Village Board
- Discussion of possible dissolution timeline

- Review draft timeline for a possible March 2013 vote.
- There are multiple steps with specific timelines and several are mandated by law.
- CGR will provide some assistance under the contract if there is a decision to not recommend a dissolution option. The amount of time and resulting product will be discussed at that point.
- Committee members were encouraged to share the work of the committee and the website ([www.cgr.org/hoosick](http://www.cgr.org/hoosick)) with residents so they can consider the different options before the meetings.