## **Dissolution Study Committee**

Minutes

Minutes Civic Center Community Rm Aug 11, 2010 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Chairperson: Tim Connolly

Present: Michele Arnold, Tim Connolly, Ruth Garner, Cindy Goliber, Eleanor Hopke, Alexandra Jacobs, Mark Lee, Jack McGuire, Dan Parker, Mario Pusateri, Marie Regan, Rose Rivezzi, Will Siegfried, Steve Warr,

Excused: Mike Zagrobelny

Absent:

I. Minutes: 7/28/10 minutes approved

## II. Announcements and Updates:

- A. Guests Charlie Zettek and Jamie Saunders from Center for Government Research (CGR) and NY Dept of State Division of Local Government advisor Sean Maguire.
- B. Charlie Zettek's (CGR) introductory remarks –
- 1. DSC message will evolve over time: a baseline, learning process and a culminating plan
- 2. Village and Town Staff support is essential in planning for any new entity and services
- 3. We will have a spokesperson in the DSC Public Relations (PR) subcommittee: Alex Jacobs, Cindy Goliber and Mark Lee.

## III. CGR role with DSC:

- A. Review of goals, issues and project schedule -
- 1. Facts:
  - a. about 4 months of a detailed fact-finding interviews with community leaders and governmental staff
  - b. initial data request service inventory, budgets, and fiscal analysis.
  - c. public hearings, including presentations to both village and town boards.
- 2. Work plan: it is a conceptual and will fluctuate over 12 months, as laid out in their proposal
- 3. Communications:
- a. CGR recommends multiple avenues to inform the public and raise awareness of DSC purpose, timeline, contact info, etc.
  - b. there is no DSC PR budget, but CGR will provide a link from our website to a professionally-managed website, which will communicate updates, charts, graphs, etc.
  - c. public comments of value are invited, and may be posted on the CGR website
- B. Review of initial DSC questions on dissolution –

1. Charlie Zettek answered many of the questions the DSC submitted regarding process, legislation, municipal contracts and other legal matters

IV. Public Reflections: none

V. Next meeting: Wednesday, Sept 22,  $3^{rd}$  floor Civic Center Community Room,  $6-7:30~\mathrm{pm}$ 

VI. Adjournment: 8:45 pm

Submitted by Michele Arnold