

Lyons Dissolution Meeting
July 25th, 2013

Dissolution members present: Jim Brady, Jim Pacello, Joan Smith, John Cinelli, Dan LaGasse, Corrine Kleisle, Sergei Bartishevich, Richard Bogan (Absent: Brian Manktelow and Thea Hall)

MRB group members present: Connie Sowards, Diana Smith

Videographer: Mark DeCracker

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

The committee will be discussing and voting on tonight certain figures that can be used so that the MRB group can finish their figures.

Diana Smith state that the court order does not change anything in the goal, the approach or work that has been done by the committee already. It does change the level of detail and ability to collect actual figures to move forward. We were awaiting answers from the Comptrollers office on several questions that had been asked, but will need to move forward without them in order to meet the August 20th deadline that was given by the court.

Alternatives to be included in the plan:

All post dissolutions options included in the published documentation of the sub committees that have been approved by the committee, are also used where ever possible as alternatives if there implementation does not depend on dissolution of the village. - Motion made by John Cinelli, seconded by Joan Smith, Dan LaGasse abstained, all others in favor - passed

Public Safety:

- 1) There are items that were passed as sub-committees that can be used in the overall changes in the village. If the village does not dissolve to make the government more efficient, we would make this request as an alternative if the dissolution plan that is published by the Village does not pass. Motion made by John Cinelli, seconded by Joan Smith, all in favor - passed
- 2) Co-location of court/pd as well as co-location of admin offices for the purposes of being able to implement the recommendations that the admin sub committee came up with. Motion made by John Cinelli, seconded by ?, Dan LaGasse abstained, all others in favor - passed

Reserve Accounts:

(Dept of public works equipment, fire truck reserve, police car reserve, water reserve and sewer fund)

Water reserve, sewer reserve fund would stay intact and go over to Town, Fire truck reserve would go to the new fire district and any money in the public works and police car fund would go to pay off any debt where ever possible that the village currently has.

Motion made by Jim Pacello, seconded by John Cinelli, all in favor - passed

Unemployment Benefits:

Need to establish for purpose of financial calculations in the dissolution plan, that the Town will charge the debt district that consists of former village residents with all costs associated with unemployment insurance for former village employees for all those eligible.

Motion made by John Cinelli, seconded by Jim Pacello, all in favor - passed

Renovation Costs:

Jim Brady and Jim Pacello to speak with a contractor to obtain an estimate of what the cost of renovation would be.

Audit:

Estimate of an auditor - need one to close the book and another to audit the books prior to dissolution

Corrine reported about \$20,000 for audits - (\$16,000 for annual and \$4,000 for additional paperwork for close out)

Motion made by Corrine Kleisle, seconded by Jim Brady - all in favor - passed

207C Compensation costs:

Will the committee approve 207C compensation costs for a past police officer to be carried over to the debt district for the village residents? \$53,000 for total costs, \$17,000 reimbursement to village from compensation. Mayor Kleisle is working on retirement for the officer instead of compensation. Motion made Jim Pacello, seconded by Jim Brady - all in favor, passed

Need a provision to continue to try to mitigate this issue - approximately \$10,000. Motion made by Richard Bogan, seconded by John Cinelli, all in favor - passed.

Insurance Costs:

Approve the use of previous budget Village and Town NIMER figures less pro-rated cost for Fire District that are in the current budget. (This is a contingency of receiving actual figures from Nimer) Motion by John Cinelli, seconded by John Pacello, all in favor - passed.

Workman's Compensation:

Using a figure of 2% of all wages combined for the post dissolution calculations of workmans compensation costs. Motion made by Richard Bogan, seconded by Corrine Kleisle, all in favor - passed

Water/Sewer Rates:

Asking for a purpose of final calculations in the dissolution plan that the committee recommendations that the Town conduct a water/sewer rate study at a time it deems necessary, therefore adjusts in water rates will not be projected in the dissolution plan. Motion mad by Richard Bogan, seconded by Corrine Kleisle, Dan LaGasse abstained, all other in favor - passed

Assets:

Approval of assumption that the village will give up all the assets to the Town. The town would presumably not question the value of those assets. This will eliminate the need for a formal appraisal, therefore eliminating a dissolution expense.

Village surplus money in the bank - any left over unreserved general funds should be used to pay down outstanding debt where ever possible (there is currently approximately \$1,300,000 now in the bank)

Motion made by Jim Brady, seconded Jim Pacello, all in favor - passed

A motion that we do not include appraisal costs in the final costs was made by Jim Brady, seconded by Richard Bogan, Dan LaGasse and Corrine Kleise abstained - all others in favor, passed

Retiree's health insurance:

For the purpose of the calculations does the committee want MRB to use a continuation of the current cost figures for the village retiree's health insurance plans and carry forward with the same plans. The village retirees expenses will remain in the village debt district. Motion made by Richard Bogan, seconded by John Cinelli, Corrine Kleisle abstained, all others in favor - passed

Retired Town employees will be a separate expense as opposed to retired Village employees. Not to be included in the Village debt. Motion made by Richard Bogan, seconded by Joan Smith, all in favor - passed.

Next meeting to be held on August 15th at 6:30pm at the Lyons Fire Dept

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Rios
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