

Town of Montville Public Safety Commission  
**Regular Meeting Minutes – August 22, 2016 - 6:00 PM**  
Montville Town Hall – Town Council Chambers

1. Call to order.

Chairman Jetmore called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Pledge of allegiance.

All stood and pledged the flag.

3. Roll Call.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Elizabeth Adams, Gary Allyn, James Moran, Michael Doherty, Karen Perkins, and Chairman David Jetmore. Also present were Mayor Ronald McDaniel (6:05 p.m.), RST Sgt. Keith Juhola, and Town Council Liaison Laura Tanner. Commissioner Joseph DePasquale was absent. A quorum was present.

4. Amendments to the Agenda.

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5. Communications: Copies of monthly statistics reports from Fire Departments, Fire Marshal, Police, Animal Control and Building Official.

Commissioner Jetmore asked if there were questions concerning the reports.

6. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of July 25, 2016.

**Motion made by Commissioner Jetmore; seconded by Commissioner Moran to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 25, 2016, as written. Discussion: none. Voice vote, 6-0; all in favor. Motion carried.**

7. Remarks from the Public (agenda items—three-minute limit).

Commissioner Jetmore asked three times for remarks. There were none.

8. Remarks from Department Heads.

Police Report

Per the electronic monthly statistics report submitted by Lt. Bunnell for the police department, there were 699 calls for service during July 2016. He also submitted handouts of the report for Animal Control to the Commission. He gave a staffing update that two (2) new officers are scheduled to graduate from the Academy on September 15; two (2) new officers will complete FTO in October; and two (2) lateral transfers are working on their own on the midnight shift and doing well. Lt. Bunnell said that the addition of personnel on the midnight shift increases selective enforcement such as DUIs on the Route 32 corridor. As well, he said there has been a significant dent in narcotics enforcement, “a quality of life patrol detail” that has been aggressive in arrests and searches. Lt. Bunnell thanked the Mayor for the current staffing level. Commissioner Jetmore commented about

the emails Lt. Bunnell sent to the Commission about the narcotics enforcement efforts. Lt. Bunnell thanked Ellen for her letter drafting skills. Commissioner Jetmore suggested that fire and police staff be invited to the Commission so their efforts can be duly praised.

Resident State Trooper Sgt. Juhola reported that Lt. Bunnell's energy and that of the police has been fantastic and has enthused the department, particularly the increased staffing level. He also spoke about the assistance of the Statewide Narcotics Task Force in the narcotics enforcement detail. Sgt. Juhola also said that the department will fully support Public Safety Day and commented on trips done by some officers with the youth during the summer. He also reported that the Naloxone Program is moving forward and the proposal for the same will be submitted to the Mayor for review. Commissioner Adams asked if there would be additional radar in use for the start of school. Sgt. Juhola said that the speed trailer is being used and enforcement will be conducted thereafter.

#### Fire Department Report

Fire Marshal Occhialini submitted his monthly report electronically and commented that he was approved today by the insurance company for hip replacement surgery and that he will be out for 4-6 weeks beginning, September 1. He also gave an update on local projects such as the go-cart business that is expected to be in operation by December. The Fire Marshal also reported on a meeting concerning apartments at the Faria site. He also spoke about FEMA practice drills that were conducted on August 1 and August 16 and are done every two years. Responding to a question by Commissioner Doherty, Fire Marshal Occhialini confirmed that Public Safety Day will be held on October 1 and October 2

#### Animal Control Report

The electronic Animal Control Activity Report for July 2016 is as follows:

Animals Impounded	13
Animals Sold as Pets	7
Animals D.O.A.	0
Animals Euthanized	0
Complaints Investigated	93
Animal Bites Investigated	4
Infractions/Summons	1
Animals Impounded to Date – FY 2016-2017	13

#### Building Report – None

9. Reports from Committee and Public Safety Liaisons. -- None

10. Unfinished Business.

- a. Consideration and action upon the report and findings of the Sub-committee's meetings with Fire Chiefs on Public Safety Plan. (*Update*).  
Commissioner Jetmore commented that this agenda item would be incorporated under 9.d.
  - b. Consideration and action concerning the proposed agreement with district fire houses. (*Update*).  
Mayor McDaniel reported that he and Fire Marshal Occhialini met with the Town Attorney last Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, and reviewed the Public Safety Plan, the agreements for the firehouses, and agreements from other local towns. The proposed agreement with the firehouses will integrate that information and integrate with the local Emergency Service Plan due by January 15, 2017.
  - c. Administration of Nasal and/or Injectable Naloxone. (*Update*).  
This item was discussed earlier under agenda Item 8.
  - d. Report from Fire Chiefs.  
Commissioner Perkins reported that she sent a text to the fire chiefs after the last Commission meeting asking that they text her or Commissioner Adams with any concerns they might have. A follow up text was received asking about the status of the firefighter at Chesterfield firehouse. Mayor McDaniel stated that the hours for that position are in process and was a personnel/legal matter with union bargaining that he tried to do without an MOU. Commissioner Jetmore suggested scheduling meetings at the firehouses beginning with Mohegan given their signs for volunteers and stated that the task would be Commissioner Perkins' purpose.
11. New Business. -- None
  12. Remarks from the Public (non-agenda items—three-minute limit).  
Commissioner Jetmore asked three (3) times for remarks. There were none.
  13. Remarks from the Mayor.  
Mayor McDaniel reported that there was not building report as the official was on vacation. He also noted a \$2,500 award from Green Bank that will hopefully be put to use for the newly located Youth Services Bureau.
  14. Remarks from Town Council Liaison.  
Town Council Liaison L. Tanner remarked that the Parks & Recreation concerts were very successful. She also stated that she was unable to attend the last Town Council meeting.
  15. Remarks from Commissioners.  
Commissioner Moran asked about the move of the Montville Youth Services Bureau. Mayor McDaniel said that the move to the Montville Community Center (f/k/a Fair Oaks) is 95 percent complete and that there is adequate parking there for all programs. When

questioned by Commissioner Doherty about the former location of the Bureau, Mayor McDaniel said that it is hoped that the building will be put up for sale.

Commissioner Jetmore also reminded the Commissioners that the next monthly meeting would be on September 26.

16. Adjournment.

Motion by Commissioner Jetmore; seconded by Commissioner Moran to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Discussion: none. Voice vote; 6-0; all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by: Gloria J. Gathers  
Recording Clerk, Town of Montville