Town Council Public Hearing Meeting Minutes Monday, February 13, 2012

Public Hearing Meeting Minutes Town of Montville Town Council Monday, February 13, 2012 6:45 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Buebendorf called the public hearing to order at 7:50 p.m. after establishing a quorum.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of our military.
- 3. Roll Call

Present were Councilors Caron, Jones, Longton, McFee, Murphy, Tanner and Buebendorf. Also present was Mayor McDaniel.

4. Public Hearing

Chairperson Buebendorf called the public hearing to order and read the public hearing notice into the record. She asked if there was anyone present who would like to come forward to discuss the proposal.

The Montville Town Council has scheduled a public hearing on a proposed ordinance entitled "Ordinance Amending Chapter 130 Ordinance 2002-02 Voting Districts". The public hearing is scheduled to be held at 6:45 p.m. on February 13, 2012 in the Town Hall Council Chambers. Town Council consideration of the proposed ordinance will follow at its regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m. that evening. The proposed ordinance amends the current voting districts in Montville in accordance with the State of Connecticut redistricting plan of 2011.

Copies of the proposed ordinance are available in the office of the Town Clerk in Town Hall during regular office hours, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

Ms. Mary Clark-Wilson, Registrar of Voters, 6 Richards Lane, distributed copies of the amended district map for the Councilors to review. She explained the configuration of the new map and pointed out the six voting districts. She thanked the Town Clerk, the office of the WPCA, the Assessor's office and Planning & Zoning for all their help with the map. She urged the Council to pass the ordinance and stated it must be decided no later than 17th of March in order to send out the letters to the voters that will be impacted by the changes letting them know where they will go to vote.

Mayor McDaniel stated the letters to those voters who have a district change are ready to go out thanks to the Registrar of Voters office.

Councilor Murphy inquired if there is much backlash from residents who have district changes and Ms. Wilson stated there generally is not.

Chairperson Buebendorf asked three times if there was anyone from the public who would like to address the Council. There being none the public hearing was closed at 7:03 p.m.

5. Remarks from the Councilors

Councilors Jones and McFee did not have comments.

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Councilors Longton, Caron, Tanner, Murphy and Buebendorf each thanked Ms. Calrk-Wilson for all her hard work on the redistricting. Councilor Buebendorf also thanked Mr. Dick Wilson for his work in drafting the ordinance.

6. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Jones, seconded by Councilor Caron to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Discussion, none, voice vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Audrey Ulmer, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville.