

Town of Montville Town Council
Regular Meeting Minutes for Monday, December 9, 2013
7:00 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

1. Call to Order
Chairman Jaskiewicz called the meeting to order at 7:00 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, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Also present was Mayor Ronald McDaniel.
4. Special Recognitions/Presentations
 - a. Economic Development Commission's Business Recognition Award to P&H Construction
EDC Chair Al Skulczyck presented the EDC's Business Recognition Award to Bill Pieniadz and John Heller of P&H Construction on behalf of the Town Council and the EDC. The award, presented four (4) times a year, is presented to different businesses within the Town. P&H Construction has exhibited their commitment to the community by striving to work with and patronizing businesses within the Town of Montville. He expressed his pride and appreciation of having such a dedicated and committed business in Town and congratulated them for their efforts.
 - b. Review of 2013 Audit by Finance Director Terry Hart
Finance Director Terry Hart introduced Auditors John Bauer, Jennifer Hawkins, Amanda Backhaus, and Heather Greatorex from Mahoney Sabol & Company, LLP who presented a review of their 2013 Audit.

Mr. Bauer thanked the Mayor's office and Ms. Hart's team for their help in completing the 2013 Audit and provided a brief introduction of their firm, adding that, when working on the audits, the aim to expand upon the experience of all of their team members with all of the municipalities and not for profits in an effort to utilize all of their available resources.

The auditors presented the scope of their work, audit reports, highlights, required communications, and recommendations as highlighted in the packet distributed to the Councilors. An unmodified "clean" opinion, i.e., reasonable, but not absolute assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, was issued for the Governmental and Business-type activities, General Fund, Major Governmental Funds, Major Business-type Funds, and Remaining Funds. An unmodified "clean" opinion is the best opinion one can receive and reflects the Town's financial stability. In addition, no material non-compliance of laws and regulations or significant deficiencies or material weaknesses of the financial reporting were reported, both of which are rare and the Town Council should be proud.

The financial highlights reflect the Town's implementation of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements 63 and 65. Within the Town's Business-type Funds Financial Highlights, the Water Department's net position experienced a decrease while continuing to remain relatively stable in its unrestricted net position. In addition, the ending fund balances for the General Fund increased due to the changes in the budget and, while the Bonded Projects Funds experienced a deficit due to the previous years' school construction, it experienced an increase due to funds received from the State for the construction. Additional funds are expected from the State as the project comes to a close and the final paperwork is completed and submitted. In addition, the Public Safety Building Fund experienced a decrease due to costs relating to its construction. The Unassigned Fund Balance of the General Fund totaled 12.3% of the total General Fund expenditures, which is well within the suggested 5-15%. This is a significant increase from the balance of 4.3% the previous year and is due to the

repayment of the WPCA loan. The balance is sufficient to cover 1.5 months of the General Operating Funds expenditures, which is in accordance with other Towns. Budgetary highlights included an increase in revenues due to the receipt of \$2.3 million in back taxes from the bankruptcy of AES Thames; \$681,000.00 in unbudgeted grants, including reimbursement from FEMA and municipal revenue sharing, and; bond re-funding, which included a bond premium of \$500,000.00 to offset future debt costs. While the bond re-funding shows as an increase in the fund balance for 2013, it will be reflected as a decrease the following year.

In addition, the required communications were presented and there were no significant audit findings or issues, with the exception of management recommendations that were made the previous year, three of the seven recommendations of which remain unresolved. Two of the recommendations, which pertain to the Fund Balance Policy and relate to the implementation of GASB Statement 54, are the adoption of a Fund Balance Policy and a Policy for Approving Special Revenue Funds. The policies are currently in draft form and should be coming before the Town Council for approval within the next year. The final recommendation is the Internal Service Fund, which is the vehicle from which the health and dental insurance is paid for the Town and the Board of Education. The Fund has built up a significant balance over the years and it is recommended that the Town and the BOE decrease its balance. While a lot of work has been done and is continuing to be done to lower the balance, premiums for participants continue to remain the same.

In response to Mayor McDaniel's question regarding the State's pension plan contributions and its unfunded liabilities, the auditors stated that, although those municipalities who are contributing to the State plan will be negatively affected when applying for a bond rating, the deficit will be reported in the Government-wide financial statements rather than the fund financial statements. The Town will not be penalized and all of the municipalities taking part in the State plan will be in the same position. The deficit will be tracked in a full footnote disclosure.

5. Alterations to the Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Pollard, seconded by Councilor Tanner, to add the following item to the Agenda:

14(a) To Consider and Act on a motion to waive the rule requiring an interview for Ms. Grace Carlos as a minor for the Youth Advisory Board.

Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Pollard, seconded by Councilor May to add the following item to the Agenda:

14(b) To Consider and Act on a motion to waive the waiting period for appointments, Rule 14C of the Town Council Rules of Procedure, in order to appoint Ms. Grace Carlos as a minor for the Youth Advisory Board.

Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Pollard, seconded by Councilor May to add the following item to the Agenda:

14(c) To Consider and Act on a motion to appoint Ms. Grace Carlos to the Montville Youth Bureau with a term to expire December 9, 2015.

Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

6. To Consider and Act on a motion to approve:

a. The Regular Organizational Meeting Minutes on Wednesday, November 13, 2013;

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Longton. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

- b. The Special Meeting Minutes on Tuesday, November 26, 2013, and;
Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 4-0-3. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Voting in Abstention: Councilors May, McNally, and Pollard. Motion carried.
 - c. The Special Meeting Minutes on Monday, December 2, 2013.
Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 5-0-2. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, and Tanner. Voting in Opposition: None. Voting in Abstention: Councilors McNally and Jaskiewicz. Motion carried.
7. Executive Session — none.
8. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit.
Jon Chase, 1011 Route 163, spoke in strong opposition to item 16(c), questioning the definition of phrase “good moral character” and felt that it was implicit in the Council’s responsibilities when interviewing candidates. He added that the Town Council may not wish to constrain itself in the event of an emergency or unexpected occurrence(s) by requiring that all candidates be interviewed.

Al Skulczyck, 238 Derry Hill Road, spoke in relation to item 16(c), requesting that a Chairperson or Representative of the respective Board/Commission who is familiar with the needs of that Board/Commission be present at the interview and serve as a consultant to the Town Council.
9. Communications
 - a. A copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of October 2013
 - b. A copy of the budget report from Ms. Terry Hart, Finance Director
10. Report from the Town Attorney on Matters Referred — none.
11. Remarks from the Mayor and/or Administrative Department Heads to include Matters Referred — none.
12. Reports from Standing Committees
 - a. Town Administration/Rules of Procedure – Councilors Longton, May, and Pollard
Councilor Longton stated that he was elected the Chair for the Committee and the 2014 meeting dates were approved.
 - b. Finance – Councilors Jaskiewicz, McNally, and Tanner
Chairman Jaskiewicz stated that Councilor Tanner was elected as the Chairperson and the 2014 meeting dates were approved. He also reminded the Council that the December meeting will be held on December 17.
 - c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal – Councilors Caron, Longton, and Pollard
Councilor Longton stated that he was elected the Chair for the Committee and the 2014 meeting dates were approved.
13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors
 - a. Councilor Caron: Commission on Aging; Social Services; Volunteer Fire Fighters’ Relief Fund
Councilor Caron reported that the **Commission on Aging** has had a very busy month due to the holiday season and stated that new programs are being considered for the Seniors. While it has been a difficult season, the Department of **Social Services**, along with the Senior Center, was able to distribute over 360 turkeys, baskets, and numerous other non-perishables to those in need. He thanked the Mohegan Tribe for their donation of a skybox for a fundraiser, which benefited Social Services and Youth Services; Charter Oak Credit Union; public and private donors; volunteers, and; Town employees who made the acquisition and distribution of the boxes possible. He also thanked the seniors for their hard work in putting those boxes together.

Mayor McDaniel announced that a fundraising event will be held on Saturday, December 14 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Tri-Town Foods. Radio station ROXY 100.9FM will be broadcasting live. Dollar donation tickets as well as bags of food in \$5 and \$10 increments will be available. The Mayor urged everyone to attend the event and support the Department of Social Services and the Montville Food Bank.

b. Councilor Jaskiewicz: Board of Education

Councilor Jaskiewicz reported that Mr. David Rowley was selected as Chairperson and Ms. Carrie Baxter as Secretary. In addition, Ms. Jill Mazzalupo was hired as the new Principal of Oakdale Elementary School.

c. Councilor Longton: Library; Planning & Zoning Commission — no report

d. Councilor May: Water Pollution Control Authority

Councilor May reported that a Chair was elected and the WPCA is planning to propose a meeting in January or, possibly, February with the Town Council to discuss the water line.

e. Councilor McNally: Economic Development Commission

Councilor McNally reported that the Commission is currently working on a Tax Bill Stuffer for businesses and the introduction of a Farmers' Market/Flea Market. They also discussed the possibility of a name change for the Commission to one that would be more in line with the Commission's goals and objectives. The EDC would also like to request a key to Town Hall. Mayor McDaniel noted that, typically, it is the Council liaison who holds the key for a Board or Commission. Public Works Director Don Bourdeau will be providing keys to Councilors Jaskiewicz, May, McNally, Pollard.

f. Councilor Pollard: Youth Services Bureau and Advisory Board

Councilor Pollard reported that the Annual Open House event the previous evening was a huge success. The Youth Action Council sold gourmet popcorn and baked goods at the event. Proceeds raised from the event will benefit the Stocking Drive for Social Services. In addition, they will be hosting an Ugly Sweater Holiday Social on Friday, December 20, 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. She also announced that donations of \$5.00 or \$10.00 gift card(s) to Dunkin' Donuts, Walmart, McDonald's, and/or Target are being accepted for stocking stuffers for youths, ages 12-18. Also, the Penny Drive is in full gear.

g. Councilor Tanner: Parks & Recreation Commission; Public Safety Commission; Non-Profit Organizations

Councilor Tanner reported that the **Parks & Recreation Commission's** Holiday Parade was a huge success and thanked all who participated and the Councilors who were able to walk. The Commission is also in search of a recording secretary to record their meeting minutes and is working on revising the Town's current dog policy, which they are hoping to present to the Town Council for approval in January.

The **Public Safety Commission** will be electing a new Vice-Chair to replace recently elected Town Councilor McNally. Discussion also included the Push Bumper Policy, which was approved by the Commission in October and is on this evening's agenda, the December 18 graduation of a trainee officer; the November 18 move of Centralized Dispatch, and; the Ride-along Policy.

14. Appointments and Resignations

a. To Consider and Act on a motion to waive the rule requiring an interview for Ms. Grace Carlos as a minor for the Youth Advisory Board.

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Motion carried.

- b. To Consider and Act on a motion to waive the waiting period for appointments, Rule 14C of the Town Council Rules of Procedure, in order to appoint Ms. Grace Carlos as a minor for the Youth Advisory Board

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Motion carried.

- c. To Consider and Act on a motion to appoint Ms. Grace Carlos to the Montville Youth Bureau with a term to expire December 9, 2015.

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Motion carried.

15. Unfinished Business — none.

16. New Business

- a. **Resolution #2013-74. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to refund taxes due to overpayments and corrections in the amount of \$929.87 (nine-hundred twenty-nine dollars and eighty-seven cents) as requested by the Tax Collector.** (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Longton. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Resolution adopted.

- b. **Resolution #2013-75. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to close the Montville Town Hall at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 24, 2013 in observance of the Christmas Holiday.** (Mayor McDaniel)

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: Mayor McDaniel clarified that, while this is in keeping with tradition, the item has not been on the agenda in the recent past due to the calendar. Roll call vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Resolution adopted.

- c. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to amend Rule 14(b) Appointments to agencies of the Town Council Rules and Procedures to read: “All applicants for appointment to any agency, board, commission or Council shall be interviewed by the council as a pre-condition for appointment to determine good moral character. Interviews will be conducted in Executive Session as part of a regular or special meeting called for said purpose.” (Councilor McNally)

Motion made by Councilor McNally, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: Councilor McNally stated that the amended resolution would ensure that consistency is maintained with all of candidates. In response to Mr. Chase’s comment regarding the phrase “good moral character”, he stated that he purposely selected a vague phrase, feeling that it was unnecessary to itemize the necessary individual qualities required of the candidate(s), but, at the same time, feeling it necessary to provide a reason for the interview. He is open to removing that particular language if the Council finds it bothersome. Councilor Longton stated that Rule 14(b) specifically states, “. . . except appointment to fill vacancies on elected vacancies” which would include Town Councilors. Because the Town Charter, itself, states the requirements needed to fill a vacancy on the Town Council, any changes made to rule 14(b) to include Town Councilors would also require a change to the Town Charter. Roll call vote, 1-6. Voting in Favor: Councilor McNally. Voting in Opposition: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Resolution failed.

- d. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to form an ad-hoc committee to investigate the feasibility of establishing an organized police department. The charge of this

committee will be to look into the cost and feasibility of changing from a resident trooper program to an independent organized police department. This committee shall consist of 9 members and the make-up will be as follows: (2) members from the Town Council, (2) members from the Public Safety Commission, (5) members at large having no ties to the current police force or other political organization within the town of Montville. Once established this committee will report back to the Town council within 90 days after their first meeting with their findings, cost estimates and other pertinent information. (Councilor McNally)

Motion made by Councilor McNally, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Councilor McNally stated that the resolution was inherited by the previous Town Council and refers back to the \$50 million study, which included a recommendation to research the cost and feasibility of establishing an organized police department. Councilor Tanner, while in favor of the resolution, questioned the charge of the Committee and felt that more elaboration in this respect is necessary. Councilor McNally stated that the charge stated in the resolution derived from the previous charge ten years ago. In response to Chairman Jaskiewicz, who would like to see the make-up of the committee changed from (2) members from the Town Council and (2) members from the PSC to (1) member from the Town Council and (1) member from the PSC, Councilor McNally stated that the make-up of the committee also derived from the previous recommended make-up with the exception of the addition of “no affiliation to other political organizations”. Councilor Longton agreed with Councilor Tanner regarding the vagueness of the charge and felt that the establishment of a committee whose findings will have a profound impact on Town, if passed, should have more clearly defined goals. Councilor May also agreed with Councilors Tanner, Longton, and Jaskiewicz and added that the 90-day timeframe may be too short of a period for the committee to research and report on its findings. Councilor Jaskiewicz agreed and recalled that the committee took six to seven months ten years ago. He recommended postponing the resolution and making some of the discussed changes. Mayor McDaniel stated the necessity of expediting the process without undue delay or elimination and emphasized the importance of the resolution’s return to the Town Council in one meeting. He also added that the 90-day timeframe would not be adequate enough for the thorough job the task would require and agreed with the need for extending that timeframe.

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor May, to send the resolution back to the Public Safety Commission with the Town Council’s recommendations regarding the change in the committee’s make-up, the extension of the 90-day timeframe, and a more in-depth charge. Voice call vote, 6-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Pollard. Item to be sent to the Public Safety Commission for review and revision.

- e. **Resolution #2013-76. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to authorize Mayor Ronald McDaniel to execute the LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAM SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION on behalf of the TOWN OF MONTVILLE for Derry Hill Road over unnamed Brook, Bridge No. 085008 and any documents related thereto.** (Mayor McDaniel)

Motion made by Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Longton. Discussion: Mayor McDaniel noted that the resolution refers to the recently completed bridge on Derry Hill Road. He is seeking the Council’s approval to submit a supplemental application to the State in an attempt to recover some of the costs for the bridge, which was originally part of their local bridge program funding and scheduled for 2015-2016. Roll call vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- f. **Resolution #2013-77. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to accept the Agreement between the Montville Board of Education and the Montville Education Association (MEA), reopened for the purpose of negotiating health, supplementary pay, and salary for the final year of the Agreement (2014-15).** (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor McNally. Discussion: Chairman Jaskiewicz called Interim Superintendent Brian Levesque to the podium to present a summary of the Agreement. Mr. Levesque expressed his appreciation of the Council and former Town Council liaison Councilor Jones, BOE, MEA, and teachers. Because the contract was negotiated four years ago during poor economic times, the MEA and BOE agreed to revisit the terms of the financial agreement, which deals with the salary and benefits of teachers, in the fourth and final year of the Agreement. The BOE and MEA agreed to the addition of a new step between steps 11 and 12 due to a large bubble that was created between these steps. In so doing, the overall cost of the step increase was reduced from 1.94% to 1.71%. The 126 teachers who are currently at the top step (12) will receive a general wage increase of 1.75%. As the result, the overall impact is 2.88%, just under the State average of 3%. The BOE's portion of the insurance payments was lowered by 1%, increasing the teachers' payments by same amount. In addition, the office visit co-pay was raised by \$5.00. Also implemented was the MP4 Prescription Plan, which requires individuals to acquire generic drugs, unless they can prove that there is medical reason for not doing so; requires individuals to use the lowest cost drug, i.e., over the counter drug, prior to obtaining a prescription drug, and; dissuades individuals from obtaining refills for their prescriptions too soon as well as setting limits to the number of drugs received per prescription. The anticipated cost savings from the medical benefits is approximately \$108,000.00 increasing the salary line item by 2.22%. Mr. Levesque noted that the Agreement does not require any action from the Council as it would be approved by their inaction after 30-days. Should the Agreement not be approved, the item will automatically be sent into arbitration, which may result in a cost increase. They have begun working on next year's budget with these revisions in mind and hopes to present the Council with a favorable budget. Councilor Longton confirmed that step 12 is considered the top step and that the 1.75% increase would be lower, percentage-wise, than the step increases. He also questioned whether the agreement included a provision for a vacation re-fill. While Mr. Levesque was unsure, he noted that individuals may mail order a 90-day prescription. After conferring with the Councilors, Chairman Jaskiewicz called for a roll call vote on the Agreement. Roll call vote, 6-0-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Voting in Abstention: Councilor Tanner. Resolution passed.

g. Resolution #2013-78. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to approve the Push Bumper Policy (Number R42.00). (Councilor Tanner)

Motion made by Councilor McNally, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Councilor Tanner called Lt. Bunnell and/or Sgt. Martinez to present the Policy. Mayor McDaniel stated the Town has never had an issue because the Town never owned a vehicle with a push bumper. The Town will be acquiring a new SUV that will be equipped with a push bumper and expect an increase in vehicles that will need to be pushed. The Policy outlines the parameters within which the push bumper will be utilized. In response to Chairman Jaskiewicz' question regarding those officers who do not follow the procedure, both Mayor McDaniel and Lt. Bunnell responded that, like any infraction against policy, such officers will be progressively disciplined. Roll call vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

h. Resolution #2013-79. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to allocate \$98,000 to the Old Colchester Road over Fox Brook Culvert Replacement Project line (#19999-55012) from the General Fund. (Councilor Tanner)

Motion by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: Finance Director Terry Hart, noted that this item was on the August 12, 2013 Agenda, Resolution #2013-53, approving the project. The Town must now allocate the 10% or \$98,000.00 for the project. Mayor McDaniel added that the project will cost close to \$1 million and be funded by both the Federal (80%) and State (10%) Governments as well as the Town (10%). In response to Councilor

May’s question regarding the project’s timeframe and concern regarding the location of the road, which is part of the evacuation route for Millstone, the Mayor responded that the project is currently in the RFQ process and is scheduled for either next year or the following year. While the engineering for the project has not yet begun, he recalled that four (4) out of the ten (10) proposals included very specific plans indicating that one lane of traffic would be open at all times. Though the bulk of the work will be taking place during the summer so as to avoid any conflict with the school schedule, the project will, most likely, extend into the fall. Chairman Jaskiewicz requested clarification regarding the location of the project. The Mayor stated that the project will take place on Old Colchester Road, past Fair Oaks, and towards the bend near Black Ash Road. There are two culverts located in this area, one of which has collapsed and is not flowing properly, and the other, which is undersized. Both of these culverts will be replaced and re-designed to accommodate for the flow of the water, which has changed due to developmental changes in the area. Roll call vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- i. **Resolution #2013-80. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the 2013 holiday bonuses for Town employees: (Councilor Tanner)

Non-Union Employees

INDIVIDUAL

CLARK-WILSON	MARY	REGISTRARS	50.00
MALCHIODI	CONSTANCE	INDV	100.00
ELLIOTT	LORRAINE	REGISTRARS	50.00
HART	THERESA	INDV	100.00
MACDANIEL	RONALD	ELCT	100.00

PART TIME: OVER 780 HRS

TURNER	KATHRYN	PT	25.00
ZETTEGREN	ANDREW	PT	25.00
TAYOR	IRENE	PT	25.00
ARCHER	RICHARD	PT	25.00

RECORDING CLERKS

MIYUKI	AGNES	PT	25.00
GATHERS	GLORIA	PT	25.00
JACOBS	HEIDI-LEE	PT	25.00

TOTAL **575.00**

Motion by Councilor McNally, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Councilor Jaskewicz stated that the holiday bonuses is in keeping with tradition. Roll call vote, 7-0. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, McNally, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- 17. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit.
 Tony Siragusa, 39 Hillcrest Drive, commented on item 16(d), agreeing that nine (9) members for the ad hoc committee may be too numerous and that (1) member each from the Town Council and the PSC would be sufficient. He also did not understand the reasoning behind excluding members with ties to a political organization within the Town. He felt that it was unfair to exclude those members serving on other committees who might be interested in serving on the ad hoc committee.
- 18. Executive Session — none.
- 19. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor

Councilor Caron thanked all of those who contributed to Social Services and reminded everyone that another holiday is coming around and food donations are accepted all year long.

Councilor Tanner wished everyone a happy and safe holiday.

Councilor Jaskiewicz wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He also reminded all of the Councilors that they should have received the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Town Attorney in their boxes. After conferring with all of the Councilors, the meeting to interview and appoint a Town Attorney will be held on Thursday, January 2, 6:30 p.m. Councilor Longton noted that, depending upon the length of the meeting, he may need to depart early for another 7:00 p.m. meeting. Chairman Jaskiewicz thanked everyone for coming and wished everyone a good night.

Mayor McDaniel stated that he was sorry to have missed the Holiday Parade, which he heard was a success. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and extended an invitation to the Councilors to the Grand Opening of McDonald's on Wednesday, December 18, 10:00 a.m. He will be placing the formal invitations to the event in the Councilors' boxes when they are received.

20. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Longton, to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Discussion: None. Voice Vote, 7-0, all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Agnes Miyuki, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville

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CLERK'S OFFICE**