

MINUTES

The Finance Committee for the Town of Montville met at 4:00 p.m. in Room 203 at the Montville Town Hall on May 13, 2010.

Members present: Gary Murphy, Russ Beetham and Billy Caron

Also present: Theresa Fafard, Finance Director and Mayor Joe Jaskiewicz.

Murphy called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. He also led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor distributed a letter that he sent to the Finance Director, which estimates a shortage in the 2009-10 revenues of \$1,500,000. All Town Councilors received this notice in the mailboxes.

Bill O'Neill, IT Director, reviewed his budget with the committee. He explained that he is understaffed and has requested \$25,000 for part time help. He was looking for someone to work 19 hours per week. The hourly wage would be \$16-\$20. Access fees and support and maintenance fees have been increased. Beetham moved to send out a RFP for IT services. No second; motion fails.

The committee met with Pam Aubin and Kathy Lamoureux to discuss the Board of Education budget. There has been a savings in fuel and gas as well as text books. There was an increase in MERF of \$93,369. The board did not have this information at the time the budget was submitted. There has been an increase in Mohegan Kindergarten of 16 students. There was also a reduction in Title I and Adult Education.

Lt. Bunnell discussed the Police budget. He explained that there is a need to supplement shifts with overtime in order to have the necessary coverage when officers have a day off. There is also overtime for following up on investigations. There is coverage for mutual aid and special events such as the Memorial Day Parade, Elections, School Safety and Halloween. There has also been increased activity on Route 32 near the Casino.

The committee will meet on May 17, 2010 at 4pm. They will be meeting with the Building Inspector and Public Works Director. They will also make final recommendations to send to the council.

Caron moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 pm. Beetham seconded; passed unanimously.

Attest: Theresa Fafard, Finance Director