

TOWN OF MONTVILLE
Town Administration/Rules & Procedures Standing Committee
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, January 23, 2012
Room 102, Montville Town Hall
5:30 p.m.
MINUTES

1. Call to Order - Meeting called to order by Laura Tanner at 5:32 p.m.
2. Roll Call - Present; Laura Tanner, Rosetta Jones, Chuck Longton. Also present were Mayor McDaniel, Daniel Dunn and Councilor Caron.
3. Remarks from the Public - No remarks from the public.
4. Alterations to the Agenda - No alterations were made.
5. Approval of the Minutes - Motion made by Chuck Longton, 2nd by Rosetta Jones, Motion carried and minutes of November 28, 2011, Special Meeting were approved.
6. Unfinished Business - No Unfinished Business
7. New Business
 - a. Discussion regarding the Town of Montville employee's holiday bonus' and Mayor compensation - After much discussion with Mayor McDaniel, the Committee decided to keep this topic on the agenda until they are in receipt of information from CCM in regards to policies of other towns. During the discussion it was addressed that the Mayor is a 24 hour/365 day job, that \$20,000.000 was paid out last holiday season in bonuses. Also discussed was changing it from a "holiday bonus" to a "performance bonus".
 - b. Discussion on developing a policy regarding Town Boards and Commission's public endorsements of political candidates - After considerable discussion the Committee came to a consensus that such endorsements are not proper and should be specifically prohibited by ordinance. The Committee drafted proposed wording for the ordinance and agreed to bring it to the Council for consideration and action.
 - c. Review the Noise Ordinance, correspondence from citizen - Mayor McDaniel reminded the Committee of the specifics of the complaint and it was decided by the Committee that the issue was a personal issue between two (2) private citizens that would best be settled by civil action, if chosen to do so, rather than a tightening of any town ordinance. Mayor McDaniel further read into the record a notation from Marsha Vlaun that any additional ordinances would be virtually unenforceable.

The Committee decided there would be no action taken by the Committee.
 - d. Discussion on reviewing the Town Charter for the purpose of creating a list that clearly delineates appointing authorities for Town Boards, Commissions & Committee - Discussion revolved around how it might be possible to review the selection and appointment process of Boards, Commissions

and Committees by the Town Council. It was suggested inviting the Chairman of the Board, Commission or Committee that the appointment affects to the interview. Mr. Dunn, chairman of Youth Advisory Board added to the discussion.

The Committee will revisit this, no action was taken.

8. Remarks from the public - No remarks.
9. Remarks from Councilors - No remarks
10. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Chuck Longton