Town of Montville Town Council **Special Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2017**6:00 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

1. Call to Order Chairman Jaskiewicz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Present were Councilors May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Councilor Longton arrived during the Executive Session. Absent was Councilor Caron. Also present was Mayor Ronald McDaniel.

4. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit Gary Murphy, Chief, Oakdale Fire Company, spoke in support of the agreement between the Town of Montville and Montville Fire Fighters Association (item 6(a)), stating that, unlike other departments, the fire fighters lack a representative designated to speak on behalf of the fire fighters and advocate for its members. As the result, they have fallen behind in the wages and benefits they receive. The proposed adjustment would allow the fire fighters to earn wages comparable to other fire departments and enable them to not only maintain, but also hire higher quality fire fighters in the future.

5. Executive Session

A. Discussion of strategy and/or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining with multiple bargaining units, without prejudice to the Council's right to discuss the same in private pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-200(2). Discussion to include members of the Town Council, Mayor Ronald McDaniel and Attorney Eileen Duggan.

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Rogulski, to enter into Executive Session. Discussion: Chairman Jaskiewicz stated that details regarding the agreement between the Town and Water Pollution Control Authority Employees (item 6(b)) will be received this evening and, if necessary, the item may be voted upon at a later date should the Councilors need additional time to review the materials. Voice vote, 5-0, all in favor. Motion carried. Invited parties exited Chambers for Executive Session at 6:04 p.m. Chairman Jaskiewicz resumed the meeting at 7:03 p.m. No formal votes were taken during Executive Session.

6. New Business

A. **Resolution #2017-06. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the funds necessary to implement the written agreement, and the terms of the written agreement, between the Town of Montville and Montville Fire Fighters Association, Local 3386, IAFF for the period of July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2019.

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Chairman Jaskiewicz commented on an enlightening Executive Session and thanked the Town Attorney for providing the information necessary allowing the Councilors to make an informed decision. He also thanked the Town Councilors for their time. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

B. **Resolution #2017-07. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the funds necessary to implement the written agreement, and the terms of the written agreement, between the Town of Montville and Water Pollution Control

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Authority Employees, Local 1303-341 of Council #4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO for the period July 1, 2016-June 30, 2020.

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: Chairman Jaskiewicz, again, thanked the Town Attorney on a job well done and her ability to answer the questions the Councilors posed during the Executive Session. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- 6. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit *none*
- 7. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor *none*

Councilor Rogulski commended Town Attorney Eileen Duggan and was glad an agreement was reached.

Councilor Pollard thanked the Town Attorney.

Councilor Longton also thanked and commended the Town Attorney.

Councilor Tanner thanked the Mayor, Town Attorney, and Unions.

Councilor Jaskiewicz also thanked the Mayor, Town Attorney, Unions, and the Town Council, who always seek to do what is best for those who work for the Town.

Mayor McDaniel thanked the negotiating committees from both bargaining units for their respectful negotiations as they sought to reach an agreement that would not only protect and recognize their employees, but also understand their interest in the utilization of public funds.

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Rogulski, to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Agnes Miyuki, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville

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