

Town of Montville Town Council  
**Regular Meeting Minutes for July 10, 2017**  
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.

2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of our military.

3. Roll Call

Present were Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Also present was Mayor Ronald McDaniel.

4. Special Recognitions/Presentations

a. Montville Youth Action Council

Mayor McDaniel expressed his appreciation to the members of the Montville Youth Action Council for raising a total of \$1,500.00 for *The Homeless CT Veterans* and *Paws in the Classroom*. The project involved the participation of three (3) high school students, who acted as mentors, and middle school students, who selected and raised funds for the two charities by organizing and hosting a variety of events/fundraisers, including an after-school movie at the gym, penny collection jars, bake sales, pizza parties, and a penny drive play date. He recited the Certificate of Appreciation, which, along with a Town of Montville pin, was presented to each of the members. He reiterated and extended his appreciation, adding that their accomplishments are also a reflection of their parents and caregivers.

Youth Services Coordinator Barbara Lockhart provided a brief background of the Youth Action Council. Organized approximately 15 years ago, the Council engages students in a variety of community service projects and has raised approximately \$12,000.00 for various charitable organizations. She commended each of the students, who is amazing in his/her own way and has worked hard to raise the funds under the guidance of Program Developer Kimberly Grant, who, unfortunately, was unable to attend this evening's presentation. She invited everyone to attend the upcoming Open House event on August 22, 2017.

On behalf of the Town of Montville and the Town Council, Chairman Jaskiewicz and the Town Councilors thanked the youth for their hard work and doing a great job.

5. Alterations to the Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Tanner, to approve the following alteration:

- 16(a) **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to refund taxes due to overpayments and corrections in the amount of ~~\$4,454.13 (four thousand four hundred fifty-four dollars and thirteen cents)~~ *\$5,375.06 (five thousand thirty hundred seventy-five dollars and six cents)* as requested by the Tax Collector. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

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

6. Executive Session

- a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing a candidate for the Inland Wetlands Commission. Discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Ronald McDaniel.

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Longton. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

Candidate Jessica LeClair chose to be publicly interviewed for re-appointment to the Inland Wetlands Commission. In response to Chairman Jaskiewicz, Ms. LeClair stated that she has learned a lot from the Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer Liz Burdick and the Commissioners and is enjoying serving on the Commission, reviewing the various projects,

and learning more about the Town, its future, and its new developments as well as the natural resources they are tasked to protect.

The Councilors thanked her for her service.

7. To Consider and Act on a motion to approve:
  - a. The Public Hearing Minutes of June 8, 2017 (Mosaic)  
Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
  - b. The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2017  
Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
  - c. The Public Hearing Minutes of June 14, 2017, 6:00 p.m. (Route 11 Greenway Authority Commission)  
Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
  - d. The Public Hearing Minutes of June 14, 2017, 6:15 p.m. (Registrar of Voters)  
Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
  - e. The Public Hearing Minutes of June 14, 2017, 6:30 p.m. (former Youth Services Building)  
Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
  - f. The Special Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2017 (Budget)  
Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
8. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit – *none*
9. Communications
  - a. Copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of May 2017
10. Report from the Town Attorney on Matters Referred  
Mayor McDaniel reported that the three (3) remaining contracts (Transfer Station, Town Hall Teamsters, and Police) have been ratified by their Unions and will be provided to the Councilors for review. The Councilors agreed to schedule a Special Meeting on Thursday, June 13, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss and approve the contracts.  
  
In addition, a copy of the Mutual Aid Agreement will be sent to the Town Administration/Rules & Procedures Sub-Committee and the Public Safety Commission for review.
11. Remarks from the Mayor and/or Administrative Department Heads to include Matters Referred  
Mayor McDaniel reported that the Town is still waiting for the State's final budget. Under the Governor's proposal, the Town will receive cuts to the Mohegan-Pequot Fund, PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Local Property Taxes), and ECS (Educational Cost Sharing), totaling nearly \$3 million.
12. Reports from Standing Committees.
  - a. Town Administration/Rules of Procedure – Councilor Jaskiewicz – *no meeting*
  - b. Finance – Councilor Longton – *no meeting*
  - c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal – Councilor Caron  
The bids for the Transfer Station project were received and came in high. As such, the Public Works Department is in the process of reviewing the items and determining which projects can be conducted in-house. He commended the Public Works Department, who has been busy installing catch basins at Kitemaug Orchards. The Town recently purchased small

recycling bins, which can be traded in for the large bins, by request. The LED streetlight installation project is in process; approximately half of the lights have been replaced to date.

13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors

a. Councilor Caron: Commission on Aging; Social Services; Volunteer Fire Fighters' Relief Fund

Social Services' Food Drive is continuing and they are in the process of investigating possible fundraisers to benefit the Senior Center and Veterans Relief Fund. A successful barbeque and 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration was held. Enrollment at the Senior Center is up due to the numerous available programs and activities. Councilor Caron commended Director Kathie Doherty-Peck and her staff for their hard work.

b. Councilor Jaskiewicz: Board of Education (BOE)

The second vote regarding the contracting out of buses was not taken and the Board reviewed and approved the Superintendent's proposed budget cuts, totaling \$500,000.00.

c. Councilor Longton: Library

Discussion included the maintenance and condition of the buildings and capital plan. The bids for the fuel tank replacement have been sent out. The Library wished to express their appreciation to the Town Council for the budget increase.

Mayor McDaniel reiterated his offer to help them with anything they might need to raise additional funds, including the writing of grants.

d. Councilor May: Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA); Youth Services Bureau and Advisory Board

The chlorinator for the WPCA has been sent back out to bid and the Youth Services Bureau's summer programs are in full swing.

e. Councilor Rogulski: Economic Development Commission, Planning & Zoning Commission  
The Planning & Zoning Commission approved an application for a lot subdivision on Oakland Drive.

Mayor McDaniel stated that he would be in touch with EDC Chairman Walter Hewitt regarding organizing a meeting with Executive Director Nancy Cowser, seCTer (Southeastern CT Enterprise Region), who is interested in meeting with the Commission.

f. Councilor Pollard: Non-Profit Organizations – *no meeting*

g. Councilor Tanner: Parks & Recreation Commission; Public Safety Commission

Parks & Recreation Department's Summer Camp is in full swing. Though the Carnival generated less funds in comparison to the previous year, it was deemed a success. The Department is investigating the possibility of purchasing a windscreen to be placed between the front and back tennis courts at Camp Oakdale. Upcoming events include:

July 22, 6-8pm	Summer Concert, featuring <i>Kick</i>
August 5, 6-8pm	Summer Concert, featuring <i>Melaena</i> and Cornhole Tournament
August 12, 8:15pm	Outdoor Movie Night, featuring <i>Boss Baby</i>
August 26	Kids Fun Mud Run

All events will be held at Camp Oakdale. The Summer Basketball Camps for children began this week, with a visit from WNBA star Morgan Tuck.

The Public Safety Commission conducted interviews for two (2) Police Officers. She wished to convey the public's appreciation to the Police Department for their presence on Gardner Lake on the Fourth of July. The beach at Gardner Lake was temporarily closed due to the extensive cleanup necessary following the holiday's activities.

14. Appointments and Resignations – *none*

15. Unfinished Business – *none*

16. New Business

- a. **Resolution #2017-48. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to refund taxes due to overpayments and corrections in the amount of \$5,375.06 (five thousand thirty hundred seventy-five dollars and six cents) as requested by the Tax Collector. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- b. **Resolution #2017-49. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the Ordinance titled “An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 117 Ordinance NO. O-V-4 establishment of a Route 11 Greenway Authority Commission” adopted March 7, 2001 as heard at the public hearing held on Monday, June 14, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the Town Council Chambers at Montville Town Hall. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Mayor McDaniel stated that the Federal Government has decided to no longer fund the project and, because the Commission was established by Ordinance, it must also be dissolved by Ordinance, per State Statute. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- c. **Resolution #2017-50. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the Ordinance titled An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance No. 2014-06 Article I, “Registrar of Voters”, of Chapter 91 of the Code of Ordinances, “Officers and Employees” adopted December 8, 2014 as heard at the public hearing held on Monday, June 14, 2017 at 6:15 PM in the Town Council Chambers at Montville Town Hall. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: The amendment involves the reallocation of funds from the lodging for conferences to providing a stipend for the Deputies and workers on Election Day and a stipend for any costs related to the completion of the Registrars’ certification or certification maintenance program. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- d. **Resolution #2017-51. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the Ordinance titled “An Ordinance Regarding Sale and Conveyance of Real Property Located at “289 Route 32” (former Youth Services Building) as heard at the public hearing held on Monday, June 14, 2017 at 6:45 PM in the Town Council Chambers at Montville Town Hall. (Mayor McDaniel)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Longton. Discussion: Per the Town Charter, the Town must approve the sale of Town property. Once a buyer arises, the actual sale of the property will also need to be approved by the Town Council. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- e. **Resolution #2017-52. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize Mayor Ronald K. McDaniel to execute a contract on behalf of the Town of Montville with the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of State Police for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019 and any documents related thereto. (Mayor McDaniel)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Longton. Discussion: The cost of the contract is approximately \$220,000.00 and the Town may opt out of the contract with a 30-day written notice. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron,

Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- f. **Resolution #2017-53. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize Mayor Ronald K. McDaniel to execute the Government Obligation contract between M-Core Credit Corporation and the Town of Montville and any documents related thereto. (Mayor McDaniel)

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Town of Montville has determined that a true and very real need exists for the acquisition of the Equipment described on Exhibit A of the Government Obligation Contract dated July 15, 2017, between the Town of Montville, Connecticut (Obligor) and M-Core Credit Corporation (Oblige) and further, the Governing Body of the Obligor has determined that the Contract, substantially in the form presented to this meeting, is in the best interests of the Obligor for the acquisition of such Equipment, and the Governing Body hereby approves the entering into of the Contractor by the Obligor and hereby designates and authorizes Mayor Ronald McDaniel to execute and deliver the Contract on the Obligor's behalf with such changes thereto as such person deems appropriate, and any other related documents, including any Escrow Agreement, necessary to the consummation of the transaction contemplated by the Contract.

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: The contract pertains to the financing of the streetlights. Upon completion of the work, the bill will be sent to the M-Core Credit Corporation, who will pay the Contractor, and approximately \$9,600.00/month for 36 months will be added to the Town's Eversource bill. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Rogulski, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

17. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit

Tony Siragusa, 39 Hillcrest Drive, Uncasville, stated that it is his understanding and the Mayor confirmed that the Town was served papers for the Planning & Zoning Commission's approval for a zoning change allowing the subdivision of a property located at Oxoboxo Lake.

Wills Pike, 71 Pheasant Run, Oakdale, confirmed and expressed his appreciation for being involved with the interview of the two (2) candidates for the Police Department. He stated that his taxes have been raised approximately 14% over the past 4 years, which is a concern for many residents. He spoke in favor of the streetlights and questioned whether the old hangars will be replaced. Along with the Chairman, he, too, attended the BOE meeting in which \$500,000.00, \$212,000.00 from the Board's cash reserve fund, was cut from their budget. A strong supporter of the school system and a critic of its finances, he commended the Superintendent and his proposed cuts, adding that the cuts do not sacrifice the Town's educational system. The Board, he believes, now has very little, if any, flexibility and, as such, encouraged more innovative and creative thinking regarding their transportation (school buses) issues and encouraged them to begin discussions now, well before the budget season. He expressed his appreciation to the Town Council.

18. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor

Councilor Rogulski commended the Youth Action Council and expressed his concerns regarding the BOE bus issue. He hopes everyone had a nice Fourth of July and wished everyone a nice summer.

Councilor Pollard thanked everyone for speaking and/or attending this evening's meeting and the Montville Youth Service Bureau for encouraging children to become involved.

Councilor Caron congratulated the members of the Youth Action Council and expressed his condolences to Lisa Skovish, Administrative Assistant, Fire Marshal's office.

Councilor May thanked Montville Police Lt. Leonard Bunnell for sharing a voicemail message sent by a new resident commending Officers Bruce Rockwell and Brittany Noyes as well as a

letter sent by the Housing Authority Director commending Officers Matt Shepard and Mike Pelletier and wished to express his personal appreciation to the officers for their service and doing a good job.

Chairman Jaskiewicz stated that he received a letter from the BOE regarding the teachers' negotiations and, because his daughter currently teaches for the school district, he would like to request that one of the Councilors serve as the liaison in his stead. Discussions are slated to begin on August 17.

Mayor McDaniel thanked everyone for celebrating the youth with him this evening and requested that, should anyone know of any volunteers/residents in Town who, they feel, is deserving of recognition to please bring it to his attention. In response to Mr. Pike, he stated that the streetlight arms were inspected and will not be replaced at this time. He also noted that there was proposed legislation allowing the Town to veto any non-education expenses line items out of the BOE's budget. He hopes that everyone had a great Fourth of July.

The Councilors were reminded to attend the Thursday, July 13, 2017 Special Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

19. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Tanner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 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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