Town of Montville Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes for April 9, 2018

7:00 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

- 1. Call to Order Chairman McNally 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 and former Mayor Patrick Dougherty.
- 3. Roll Call

Present were Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Pollard, Rogers, Rogulski, and McNally. Also present was Mayor Ronald McDaniel.

- 4. Special Recognitions/Presentations
 - a. Presentation by the Montville High School Chapter of ALLI (Adolescent Learning & Leadership Institute) regarding a Public Service Announcement on the topic of Problem Gambling as it relates to the youth population (Councilor Rogulski)
 - Four Montville High School students and members of ALLI thanked the Town Council for allowing them to speak and present their Public Service Announcement (PSA). The organization engages high school students throughout Southeastern CT to learn about current health issues and develop leadership skills. The students receive education in prevention initiatives aimed at reducing substance abuse and other risky behaviors. The program involves regular work and local home groups and regional meetings. Funded by a \$2,000.00 grant, the students were contacted by Problem Gambling Services and The Capital Region Education Council (CREC) to research, create and present a 30-second PSA regarding gambling and what can lead to gambling under the following definition: "the act of risking something of value, including money and property, on an activity that has an uncertain outcome." The students conducted a survey of Montville High School students and found that over 19% of those surveyed had ever gambled and, of those, 8% had gambled over the past 12 months. Gambling activities include scratch-off tickets, HQ, fantasy sports, online gaming, card games, dice, etc. It was noted that the rate of problem gambling doubles for those who reside within 15 miles of a casino. After planning the PSA for three months, the students proceeded to film and edit the movie utilizing iMovie. Local youth from the Youth Center and ALLI members were recruited to act in the ad. The PSA was created entirely by the students.
 - b. Special Recognition of Montville High School Girls Soccer Team (Councilor Caron)
 Mayor McDaniel presented Certificates of Appreciation to honor and recognize the
 Montville High School Girls Soccer Coaches and Team, who volunteered their time and
 energy to Social Services to help create approximately 200 Easter Baskets for the past two
 years. Many members of the team have volunteered in other ways over the past few years,
 including helping to create backpacks for children in need. Three of the students, who have
 been volunteering for over ten years, creating Easter, Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Toy
 Baskets, helping in the kitchen and at various programs and events, rain or shine, were also
 presented with a plaque for their ongoing and continuing service to the Center. All of the
 recipients were congratulated and, along with their parents and coaches, were commended
 for their hard work and dedication to the community.

Motion made by Chairman McNally, seconded by Councilor Caron, to take a five minute recess at 7:16 p.m. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. The meeting reconvened at 7:21 p.m.

c. Reading of Proclamation for Montville Cheerleading Coach and Certificate recognizing Cheerleading team.

Mayor McDaniel recited and presented the Proclamation for Montville Cheerleading Coach Theresa Quibble and Certificate of Appreciation for the Cheerleading Team. Coach

Quibble, who has been coaching the Cheerleading team for the past eight years, has led the team to six Eastern Connecticut Conference (ECC) Cheerleading Championships, four of which were consecutive, and, in March, to win the State of CT Class S 2018 ECC Cheerleading Championship.

Chairman McNally congratulated everyone for all of their achievements.

- 5. Alterations to the Agenda *none*
- 6. To Consider and Act on a motion to approve:
 - a. The Special Meeting of March 12, 2018 (Interviews for Boards/Commissions) Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
 - b. The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2018, 6:30 p.m. (Dog Ordinance) Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
 - c. The Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2018, 6:45 p.m. (Open Space Use Ordinance)
 - Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
 - d. The Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2018

 Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None.

 Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Executive Session

- a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the Planning & Zoning and Economic Development Commissions. Discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Ronald McDaniel.
 - Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Rogers. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried. Invited parties exited Chambers for Executive Session at 7:29 p.m. Chairman McNally resumed the meeting at 7:42 p.m. No votes were taken during Executive Session.
- b. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a pending labor matter. Discussions to include members of the Town Council, Mayor Ronald McDaniel and Attorney Kristi Kelly.
 - Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried. Invited parties exited Chambers for Executive Session at 7:42 p.m. Chairman McNally resumed the meeting at 8:11 p.m. No votes were taken during Executive Session.
- 8. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit Bob Manfredi, 9 Heather Brook Road, Uncasville, spoke with regards to the Board of Education (BOE) budget. He stated that, according to Superintendent Brian Levesque, it is estimated that there will be 1,758 students, 519 of which will be attending one of the Town's three elementary schools. Based on the BOE budget and the projected student population, he estimated that the Town will be spending approximately \$21,387.00 per student in FY2018/19 while the State average is \$14,682.00. As such, he proposed closing one of the schools, which, he estimates, would result in a savings of over \$1 million/year.

9. Communications

- a. Copy of the March 2018 budget report from Ms. Terry Hart, Finance Director
- b. Copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of February 2018
- c. Copy of the legal bills from Halloran & Sage for Land Use, dated February 21, 2018

d. Copy of the legal bills from Halloran & Sage, dated March 21, 2018
In response to Councilor Rogulski who questioned the possibility of establishing a process/policy for foreclosures prior to pursuing them, Chairman McNally stated that the matter would be referred to the Finance Committee for discussion.

- 10. Report from the Town Attorney on Matters Referred Mayor McDaniel reported that a response to Mr. Bob Manfredi's inquiry regarding the possible utilization of water and sewer funds to help offset the General Fund Budget was mailed today.
- 11. Remarks from the Mayor and/or Administrative Department Heads to include Matters Referred The Town is continuing to hold police interviews and will be seeking to replace both Fire Marshal Ray Occhialini and Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer Liz Burdick, who recently tendered their resignation. A very successful FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)-evaluated Millstone Drill was held and, for the first time, no deficiencies were found. The CT General Assembly is in the process of dealing with the funding issues related to the State's PiLOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) Program. The Appropriations Committee has, again, failed to vote on the budget in a timely manner; the vote is now scheduled for April 20. During a recent electronic filing of their PiLOT Funds, it was discovered that approximately 50 parcels of property were lost and the property assessments were estimated. As the result, the Town, which had been receiving approximately 60 to 67% of the assessed value, is now receiving approximately 30%. Representatives Mike France and Kevin Ryan have agreed to investigate the matter and attempt to ensure that the Town receives the funding they are entitled to as a host community.

In response to Councilor Pike, Mayor McDaniel stated that he would investigate the issue regarding the partially cut tree trunks located along Oxoboxo Dam and Fellows Roads.

12. Reports from Standing Committees.

a. Town Administration/Rules of Procedure – Councilor Jaskiewicz
 The Committee discussed the Blight Ordinance and hopes to present a draft of the
 Ordinance to the Town Council next month. Councilor Jaskiewicz thanked the members of the Committee for their hard work.

b. Finance – Councilor Pike

The Committee received the FY2018/19 Budget requests, which includes staffing increases for the Police, Fire, and Dispatching Departments. The Finance Director was directed to create a revised draft of the Town's Purchasing Policy (last updated in 2000) and the Delinquent Tax Policy (last updated in 2007) in relation to those of other towns. Councilor Pike has requested the latter policy be instituted by July 1. The Committee also requested audits of the Town's four Fire Departments using one consistent approach. The FY2017/18 approved budget for the Board of Education (BOE) of \$36,660,619.00 will be the starting point for the FY2018/19 budget. Councilor Pike has discussed the MBR (Minimum Budget Requirement) with Superintendent Levesque, who is working with the CT State Department of Education Chief Financial Officer Kathy Demsey.

c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal – Councilor McNally The Committee discussed upcoming paving projects, the receipt of bids for the Transfer Station Project and the Camp Oakdale Ball field, and the Mailbox Policy, which is included on this evening's Agenda.

13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors

a. Councilor Pike: Board of Education, Planning & Zoning Commission
One of the highlights of the <u>BOE</u> Meetings is the Montville Marvels, which is a period of time during which staff and students are recognized. Assistant Superintendent Laurie Pallin provided a presentation regarding the results of recent test scores, which shows that students are continuing to excel in their academics. Superintendent Levesque discussed the water

line, which will be installed by Lombardi Gravel & Excavation, LLC, and the MBR. During the meeting, Councilor Pike expressed his concerns regarding the ECS (Education Cost Sharing) Funds and its significance and effect on the schools, in particular, and the community, as a whole.

The <u>Planning & Zoning Commission</u> approved a Special Permit Renewal for an Earth Processing Facility for an additional five years to Double Down, LLC, located on Route 85. Town Planner Marcia Vlaun provided a presentation regarding the Town's past, present, and future housing and demographics. The numbers are often skewed due to the population of 19,000, as indicated in the census data, includes the approximately 1,700 individuals being housed in the local prison facility. It is estimated that the population of those 65 and over is continuing to increase. She suggested the possibility of investigating ways to support the senior community by providing additional housing as well as increasing the Town's residential housing for young individuals.

b. Councilor Pollard: Commission on Aging, Non-Profit Organizations
Assisted Living Services Director Janice Gibson provided a presentation and discussion regarding home healthcare regulations at the recent <u>Commission on Aging meeting</u>, continuing their previous discussion regarding the requirements and monitoring of home healthcare agencies. Upcoming special presentations and special events include A Place Called Hope, Bird of Prey Wildlife Sanctuary; a three-part series on how to maintain a "Healthy Brain"; Annual Health Fair, which will offer free health screenings and information; *Your Life, Your Legacy*; AARP-sponsored Driving Course; Shredded Truck Program, and; Annual Senior Art Show.

Non-Profit Organizations – The *Homeless Hospitality Center*, New London, will be hosting their 11th Annual Walk to End Homelessness on Sunday, April 22. The event will also include performances and activities. Visit www.nlhhc.org for more information. Monthly scheduled tours, as well as tours by request, are being offered. *Safe Futures*, New London, invites everyone to attend the "Power of Purple" event at the Holiday Inn, Norwich on Friday, April 27. For more information, contact 860-884-8945.

c. Councilor Rogers: Economic Development Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, Public Safety Commission, Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA)
The Economic Development Commission has been working diligently on their upcoming Community Development Forum, which will be held at the Mohegan Fire Department on April 26, 9 to 11 a.m. Representatives from seCTer (Southeastern Connecticut Enterprise Region), SCORE, SBA (Small Business Administration), and CERC (Connecticut Economic Resource Center) will be available.

The Parks & Recreation Commission will be hosting their annual Carnival on June 21 to 24. It was confirmed that the dates would not interfere with the High School Graduation Ceremony. The Summer Concert will be held at Camp Oakdale on August 24, 6 to 8 p.m., featuring a Beatles Tribute Band. Summer Camp Applications for Counselors will be accepted until April 13 and Registrations for the Camp will be opened on Sunday, May 7 for Montville residents. Adult indoor volleyball pick-up games will begin this Wednesday, April 11 at Tyl Middle School and co-ed softball pick-up games will begin this Sunday, April 15 at Camp Oakdale. AED's have been installed at Camp Oakdale at both the soccer and softball field bathrooms. Councilor Rogers extended his appreciation to Parks & Recreation Director Peter Bushway, the Commission, Oakdale Fire Company, and the Easter Bunny for hosting a successful Easter Egg Hunt.

The <u>Public Safety Commission</u> discussed the department head position of Captain, which is predicated on the upcoming retirement of Lt. Leonard Bunnell. Contrary to the Mayor's previous statement, Councilor Rogers stated that the Union President is open to discussing the in/exclusion of the Captain's position in the Union. Discussions also included the

- subject of school security and the establishment of an armed SRO (School Resource Officer).
- d. Councilor Rogulski: Library Committee, Youth Services Bureau and Advisory Board The Youth Services Bureau will be hosting a blood drive for the American Red Cross on Tuesday, April 17, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Montville Community Center. A *Fill the Boot* event at Stop & Shop, Uncasville, will also take place on Saturday, April 14, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., as part of their Annual Penny Drive; proceeds will be donated to the Arthur C. Luf Children's Burn Camp. In conjunction with the Montville Police Department and Southeastern Regional Action Council, the Bureau will be offering a special training class for those interested in learning how to safely and properly administer NARCAN (Naloxone HCl). The class will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. at the Montville Public Safety Training Room. Contact the Bureau for more information.
- e. Councilor Caron: Volunteer Fire Fighters' Relief Fund, Social Services
 The Department of Social Services will be hosting a Prom Closet Spring Brunch Fashion
 Show on April 22 along with a breakfast at the Oakdale Fire House. He commended the
 Girls' Soccer Team who created over 200 Easter Baskets for those in need and commended
 and congratulated Senior and Social Services Director Kathie Doherty-Peck for receiving
 the Citizen of the Year Award by the New London Lodge of Elks. While the Mohegan
 Tribe has generously donated a concert, they are also seeking additional ways to generate
 funds for the Town's Veterans in Need Fund. As always, the Department is seeking
 additional ways to generate more food donations.

14. Appointments and Resignations

- a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint William Carlos, Jr. to the Youth Advisory Board with a term to expire on April 14, 2020.
 - Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
- b. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint Brianne Messer to the Youth Advisory Board with a term to expire on April 14, 2020.
 - Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
- c. To Consider and Act on a Motion to appoint Christopher DiNoto to the Economic Development Commission with a term to expire on April 9, 2022.
 - Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
- d. To Consider and Act on a Motion to appoint Christopher DiNoto to the Conservation Commission with a term to expire on April 9, 2020.
 - Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
- e. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint Douglas Brush to the Inland Wetlands Commission with a term to expire on May 10, 2022.
 - Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
- f. To Consider and Act on a motion to waive the interview, Rule 14B of the Town Council Rules of Procedure, for the Economic Development Commission.
 - Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: Chairman McNally stated that Economic Development Commissioner Karl Butzgy was recently interviewed and appointed to fill a vacancy on the Commission. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

- g. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint Karl Butzgy to the Economic Development Commission with a term to expire on May 12, 2022.
 - Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
- 15. Unfinished Business *none*
- 16. New Business
 - a. **Resolution #2018-20. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to refund taxes due to overpayments and corrections in the amount of \$10,701.38 (ten thousand seven hundred one dollars and thirty-eight cents) as requested by the Tax Collector. (Councilor McNally)
 - Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Pollard, Rogers, Rogulski, and McNally. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.
 - b. **Resolution #2018-21. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the Town of Montville Mailbox Damage Policy as recommended by the Public Works/Solid Waste Subcommittee. (Councilor McNally)
 - Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: In response to Councilor Jaskiewicz, Chairman McNally stated that, unlike other towns, the Town does not currently have a Mailbox Policy and have been replacing mailboxes that are claimed to have been damaged by the Town as they plow the roads. Many of these mailboxes are damaged due to its proximity to the road and/or its condition. Councilor Caron questioned who would be enforcing the Policy. Councilor Pike added that the Town expends approximately \$5,000.00/year replacing the damaged mailboxes. Roll Call vote, 5-2, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Pike, Pollard, Rogers, Rogulski, and McNally. Voting in Opposition: Councilors Caron and Jaskiewicz. Resolution passed.
 - c. Resolution #2018-22. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to receive the Mayor's budget proposal for fiscal year 2018-2019. (Councilor Pike) Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: Mayor McDaniel distributed his budget proposal for FY2018/19 and thanked the Department Heads and Finance Staff for their help in preparing the budget and their understanding of the Town's financial constraints. The proposed budget represents an increase of 2.23 mils. The major drivers include items in the Capital Plan for much needed road and drainage improvements, replacement of aging equipment and vehicles, and radio communication equipment. No new staff is being requested. Should all of the Departmental requests been fulfilled, a nearly 8 mil increase would have been necessary. The budget reflects the State's continued failure of the State to support such municipalities as Montville as it deals with continued cuts to the Mohegan-Pequot and PiLOT Funds, which they should be entitled to as a host town, and potential penalties to their ECS Funding for their fiscally responsibility. Due to the Legislators inability to act on a budget in a timely manner, the town is, again, forced to utilize the facts they have in hand to determine their budget. He looks forward to working with the Finance Committee and the Councilors to complete the budget process and will continue to work with their neighboring communities and continue to find savings. The budget reflects, what he views, as a fair assessment of the budget to maintain, not grow, operations. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Pollard, Rogers, Rogulski, and McNally. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.
 - d. To Consider and Act on a motion to receive the Mayor's proposed five-year Capital Plan for fiscal years 2019-2023. (Councilor Pike)
 - Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Rogers. Discussion: Mayor McDaniel reiterated that the items being proposed in the Capital Plan are necessary items.

The current year's Town Aid Road (TAR) Funding has been cut in half by the State. He stated the importance of keeping up with their road maintenance program to avoid falling behind and bonding the projects. In response to Councilor Pike, he stated that while TAR and LoCiP Funds are not included in the budget, those for other municipal grants are included. Some LoCiP funds have been released. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Pollard, Rogers, Rogulski, and McNally. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- e. To Consider and Act on a motion to send the Mayor's proposed five-year Capital Plan to the Planning and Zoning Commission for comment. (Councilor Pike)
 Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Pollard, Rogers, Rogulski, and McNally. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.
- f. Resolution #2018-23. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to authorize Mayor Ron McDaniel to consummate the sale of 289 Route 32, Uncasville, CT to James and Rachel Monahan by virtue of a quit claim deed for \$150,000 per the purchase and sales agreement dated March 26, 2018 and amended April 3, 2018. (Mayor McDaniel) Motion made by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Rogulski. Discussion: Based upon the Town's previous Ordinances, the Mayor stated that the Town Attorney has approved the process of the sale. In response to Councilor Pike, the new owners are planning to establish a revenue generating business. Roll Call vote, 7-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Pollard, Rogers, Rogulski, and McNally. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

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

Ellen Desjardins, 513 Raymond Hill Road, Uncasville, expressed her concerns regarding making the church located on Raymond Hill Road, which is not wind- and/or water-tight. Councilor Rogulski stated that the matter would be investigated. She also stated that the cherry tree located in front of the Town Hall – the only remaining tree that was donated in 1978 by a group of students who raised funds for the trees – is in need of pruning by a professional. Furthermore, she commented on the state of the outside area located at the Senior Center and felt that the seniors should work to make the area nice and presentable, setting an example to the younger generation.

Colleen Rix, 74 Roselund Road, Uncasville, expressed her appreciation to the Town Council for all of their hard work and commented on a phenomenal group of presentations. She suggested that such items as 7(b), where no votes will be taken, be moved towards the end of the meeting such that the young recipients at beginning of the meeting might be more apt to stay for the remainder of the meeting and witness the great work the Councilors do.

18. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor

Councilor Caron thanked everyone for taking the time to honor everyone this evening and commended the students who presented the PSA. He commented on the budget and the Mohegan-Pequot Fund and stated that he has and will continue to express his concern(s) to the State Legislators and encouraged everyone to do the same.

Councilor Jaskiewicz stated that he looks forward to working with the Finance Committee on the budget and that they will do the best they can. He thanked everyone for their efforts, adding that, while they all may have a difference in opinion, the important thing is that they do what is good for the Town.

Mayor McDaniel thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting and for the presentations. He stated that he has spoken with Superintendent Levesque regarding the budget. In response to Councilor Rogers, he clarified that, in the past, the Union was not willing to exclude the Lieutenant's position from the Union and he is more than happy to engage in a conversation with them regarding the matter. He wished everyone a Happy Spring.

Councilor Rogers thanked the Fire and Police Departments and Eversource for their hard work during the storms and commended them on an outstanding job. He expressed his condolences to the family of Former Mayor Patrick Dougherty. He urged everyone to contact their State Senators and Representatives regarding the ECS and PiLOT Funds. He asked everyone to say a prayer for TFC Kevin Miller, a great father and outstanding Trooper, who recently passed away in a motor vehicle collision on I-84. He was a special man who will be sorely missed. He congratulated Senior & Social Services Director Doherty-Peck for receiving the Elks Citizen of the Year Award, but expressed his dismay that none of the Republican Town Councilors were made aware of the event. He commended Councilors Caron and Jaskiewicz for attending the event

Councilor Rogulski thanked the Mayor for his proposed budget and commented on the Town of Montville having the slowest rate of growth in the northeast, the \$550 million bailout over 20 years for the city of Hartford, the establishment of a regulatory framework for sports betting, and the delayed payment by the Tribes to the State for the purpose of the construction of the new casino to be located north of Hartford. He encouraged everyone to contact their State Senators and Representatives.

Councilor Pollard concurred with the Councilors, expressed her condolences to Councilor Rogers and State Troopers for their loss, and agreed with Ms. Rix regarding her suggestion to encourage the younger generation to become more knowledgeable and active in the Town. She thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting.

Councilor Pike stated that the Finance Committee will do their due diligence with the FY2018/19 budget. He looks forward to meeting with the Department Heads and Fire Chiefs during their budget meetings. He commended the Finance Director and Committee, all of who are in tune with the various elements of the budget. He also plans to meet with the Board of Education after the Budget Public Hearings, which will be held on Monday, April 23 for the General Government Budget and Thursday, April 25 for the Board of Education. He hopes to find a way to being less dependent on the State for funding and that all of the departments become more innovative and creative as they aim to becoming a more self-sustaining community.

Chairman McNally echoed everyone's comments.

19. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Rogulski, to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 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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