Town of Montville Town Council

Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for March 12, 2018

6:45 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Chairman McNally called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

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

4. Public Hearing

TOWN OF MONTVILLE NOTICE OF ORDINANCE HEARING

The following Ordinance, copies of which may be obtained at the office of the Town Clerk during office hours, was introduced at a regular meeting of the Town Council held February 12, 2018 and a public hearing thereon and for its consideration by the Town Council will be held at Town Hall Council Chambers, March 12, 2018, 2018 at 6:45 P.M.

ORDINANCE NO. 0-0-1

ORDINANCE CONCERNING LAND BELONGING TO THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE AND KNOWN AS THE MONTVILLE-FAIR OAKS CONSERVATION CENTER, CAMP OAKDALE AND TOWN LAND ON PTA LANE

THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY ORDAINS THAT:

SECTION 1

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Open Space Use Ordinance of Montville.

SECTION II

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish rules and regulations for the use and control of Montville-Fair Oaks Conservation Center located west of Fair Oaks School; Camp Oakdale which is bounded by Route 163, Oxoboxo Dam Road, and Simpson Lane; all land owned by the Town of Montville on PTA Lane excepting therefrom that land which was conveyed by the Town of Montville to the Montville Historical Society, any and all other lands dedicated to Open Space and owned by the Town of Montville in order to promote safety and protection of the persons using the property, and of the property.

SECTION III

Open Space land shall be open to the general public from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset except as provided by special permit. Town officials may close any portion of Open Space land or the use of its facilities when it appears that the capacity of an area has been exhausted or the use of same would endanger the public safety.

SECTION IV

Fishing is permitted on any Open Space land under the rules and regulations established by the State of Connecticut Board of Fisheries and Game.

SECTION V

Hunting and trapping is not permitted on any Open Space land.

SECTION VI

Carrying and/or discharging of firearms is not permitted on Open Space land.

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SECTION VII

Swimming or wading is permitted only in such areas approved by the Health Officer of the Town of Montville, provided these areas are properly supervised with the approval of the Montville Parks and Recreation Commission.

SECTION VIII

Dogs and other domesticated pets are permitted on Open Space land, provided such pets are leashed and under the control of their owners or keepers at all times. *The only exception to this rule is when a dog is within the confined fenced area of the Montville Dog Park.*

SECTION IX

Riding of horses or bicycles is permitted only on areas set aside for such purposes.

SECTION X

Overnight camping is permitted in areas designated for camp use by special permission from the responsible board or commission

SECTION XI

Campfires may be kindled only in designated areas.

SECTION XII

No person shall deface, remove, destroy, or otherwise injure in any manner whatsoever, any structure, rock, tree, flower, shrub, or any other plant life; nor disturb or molest any bird or animal.

SECTION XIII

Refuse shall be placed in receptacles provided on the premises, or removed from the premises, and no person shall litter the grounds or waters of Open Space land.

SECTION XIV

Motorized vehicles may not be operated or parked on any Open Space land except in designated areas.

SECTION XV

Violation of any provision of this ordinance is sufficient cause for eviction, and any person who violates any provision shall be fined not more than \$25.00 for each violation.

Katie Sandberg, Montville Town Clerk

Chairman McNally opened the Public Hearing, recited the Notice, and stated that the change includes an additional sentence to the Ordinance to accommodate the upcoming establishment of the dog park, which is slated to open this Spring. Councilor Rogers stated, for the record, that the amendment being made is under Section 8 of the Ordinance. Chairman McNally asked three times if there were any members of the public who would like to speak regarding the Ordinance and/or any additional comments the Councilors and/or the Mayor would like to make regarding the Ordinance. There being none, the Public Hearing was closed.

5. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Caron, to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. 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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