

Town of Montville Town Council
Public Hearing Board of Education Budget Minutes
April 26, 2018
6:00 PM
Montville High School Auditorium

1. Call to Order

Chairman McNally called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Council lead the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Present: Council Members, Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Rogulski and McNally.
Absent: Council Member Pollard and Rogers
Also Present: Mayor McDaniel

4. Public Hearing:

TOWN OF MONTVILLE
NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held at Montville High School Auditorium, 800 Old Colchester Road Oakdale, CT on April 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. on the Board of Education Budget and on on April 23, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. on the General Government Budget for the Town of Montville for the fiscal year from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Revenue Summary 2018-2019					
Description	2017 ACTUAL	2018 ADOPTED	2018 ESTIMATE	2019 DEPT.REQ.	2019 MAYOR PROP
PROPERTY TAXES	39,059,778	40,117,230	39,854,926	45,713,459	43,705,277
LICENSES & PERMITS	733,768	774,185	692,147	758,685	758,685
REVENUE USE MONEY/PROPERTY	72,618	72,000	128,381	86,000	131,000
REVENUE OTHER AGENCIES	225,866	202,999	202,999	216,638	216,638
STATE GRANTS SCHOOL	13,063,037	11,365,143	11,365,143	11,605,105	11,605,105
STATE GRANTS UNSPECIFIED	3,956,990	3,671,812	3,671,812	2,783,430	2,783,430
CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES	496,416	530,500	515,321	498,600	498,600
MISC REVENUE	945,360	917,000	917,000	857,000	857,000
TOTAL REVENUES	58,553,833	57,650,869	57,347,729	62,518,917	60,555,735
Expenditure Summary 2018-2019					
Description	2017 ACTUAL	2018 ADOPTED	2018 ESTIMATE	2019 DEPT.REQ.	2019 MAYOR PROP
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2,310,769	2,627,912	2,428,191	2,665,281	2,598,731
INTERGOV'T CONTRIBUTIONS	56,300	73,300	73,300	208,895	73,300
FRINGE BENEFITS/INSURANCE	3,651,781	3,765,575	3,890,887	4,206,000	4,206,000
DEBT SERVICE	4,312,429	4,432,022	4,432,022	4,420,161	4,420,161
LAND USE	258,489	282,200	282,200	279,600	279,600
HUMAN SERVICES	599,128	626,723	626,723	644,690	644,690
CULTURE AND RECREATION	339,085	392,474	392,474	383,177	383,177
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,380,354		4,451,362	4,948,667	4,662,188
PUBLIC WORKS	3,516,625		3,648,600	3,735,750	3,884,750
EDUCATION	37,640,899		36,660,619	37,981,138	37,981,138
CAPITAL	1,332,530		690,082	3,045,558	1,422,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	58,398,389	57,650,869	57,576,460	62,518,917	60,555,735

Detailed copies of the budget by department are available at the office of the Town Clerk or online at www.montville-ct.org.
Dated at Montville, Connecticut, this 10th day of April 2018.

Ronald K. McDaniel
Mayor

Thomas McNally
Town Council Chairman

Theresa Hart
Finance Director

Acting Superintendent Laurie Pallin gave a presentation on the history of the Board of Education’s budget. She stated the school has received small increases in the past few years. The decreases over the years in order to keep the budget increases to a minimum include; programs, field trips and Middle School sports. She stated the Superintendent’s budget to the Board of Education was \$38,463,993, the Board of Education cut an additional \$482, 613 for a total budget amount of \$37, 981,380. L. Pallin proceeded to itemize the staffing changes at the various schools. She thanked the Finance Committee and asked that if they had any questions to please forward them in advance so the school will be prepared for the May meeting.

Chairman McNally asked if there was any public comment regarding the Board of Education Budget.

Bob Manfredi, 9 Heather Brook Road, Uncasville submitted comments pertaining to the number of students over the years and the declining enrollment. He stated the population of the town was aging and it was difficult to afford the increase costs of education while the number of students goes down.

Alan Seales, 99 Cottonwood Lane stated his daughter has not been on any field trips. He mentioned that years ago students would go on, “Project Oceanology” trips as well as trips to the State Capital Building. Seales believes the students are suffering because these opportunities are not available. He is contemplating moving his child to the Williams School or St. Bernard School.

Karen Duhamel, 1 Fox Hollow Drive. She asked the Finance Committee to fully fund the Board of Education budget. She would like the Board of Education to investigate a, “participation fee” for sports at Tyl Middle school. She believes the lack of sports is in contrast to Montville’s wellness policy. She stated 45 schools in the state have some form of a “participation fee.”

Robert Mitchell, 262 Moxley Road. (Board of Education Chairman) stated the Board worked very hard to get the budget to the small increase of .85%.

Chairman McNally asked three times if there were any additional public comments.

Mayor McDaniel thanked everyone for coming and participating.

Council Member Caron also thanked people for attending and is confident they can come up with an acceptable compromise.

5. Adjournment

MOTION: (Caron/Jaskiewicz) to adjourn the meeting at 6:21. Vote: Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Spang