Town of Montville Sustainable CT Committee Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2022, 3:00 p.m. Room 203 – Town Hall

Town of Montville has lifted the mask mandate effective Monday, February 28, 2022 throughout Town facilities in coordination with our schools. Although the mask mandate has been lifted, Uncas Health strongly recommends that all individuals, both vaccinated and unvaccinated, continue to wear masks indoors.

- 1. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 3:15 pm.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance: All rose for Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. **Roll Call.** Present were Mayor Ron McDaniel, Kathie Doherty-Peck (Senior & Social Services Director), Wills Pike (Board of Education Chairman) and Colleen Bezanson (Assistant Planner) Absent were Barbara Lockhart (Youth Services Director), Peter Bushway (Parks and Recreation Director)

4. New Business:

- a. Interview of Rebecca Carroll for consideration as a Committee member.
 Ms. Carroll was not present.
- b. Discussion of ongoing projects and proposed projects from various departments or commissions that meet action item criteria

Committee members received an email from Barbara Lockhart regarding activities being done or have been done at Youth Services that will be looked at to see if they meet any action item criteria. Colleen Bezanson said she had a conversation with Jessica LeClair of Sustainable CT, who is also on the Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions, about some quick ways to get action items such as Cpace, the Farmers Market and webinar training. Discussion was held regarding possibly looking into a Community Garden as our Equity project and how to best use the garden at the senior center.

c. Discussion about contacting Equity Coach.

Discussion was held regarding how the Equity Coach would be beneficial. **MOTION** by Mayor McDaniel and Seconded by Wills Pike to contact Sustainable CT about getting an Equity Coach. Voice vote – All in Favor- Motion Carried

5. Other Business:

a. Updates from meetings with Boards or Commissions.

Colleen Bezanson gave a brief discussion about the Business list and mapping for the Economic Development Commission and how they would like staff to look into someone to help with marketing both via the website and pintables. The Conservation Commission would be looking at some education events for trails and trail maintenance.

Discussion was held regarding meeting twice a month instead of one a month. The new schedule would add the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 3:00 in Room 203. **MOTION** by Kathy Doherty-Peck seconded by Wills Pike to add the 2nd Tuesday to the meeting schedule. Voice Vote – All in Favor-Motion Carried

- 6. **Correspondence**: None
- 7. **Remarks from the Public.** None
- 8. **Adjournment**. MOTION by Mayor McDaniel and seconded by Wills Pike to adjourn meeting. Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 pm

Submitted By Colleen Bezanson