

Town of Montville
Sustainable CT Committee
310 Norwich New London Turnpike, Uncasville, CT 06382

January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes
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.** Colleen Bezanson called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** All rose and said pledge allegiance
3. **Roll Call.** Present were Colleen Bezanson (Assistant Planner), Wills Pike (Board of Education Chairman), Kathie Doherty-Peck (Senior & Social Services Director) and Peter Bushway (Parks and Recreation Director). Absent were Mayor Ron McDaniel and Barbara Lockhart (Youth Services Director).
4. **New Business:**
 - a. **Discussion of updates to Action Items for 2023 submittal.** Colleen Bezanson explained that the new date for the Spring submittal was April 4th by noon. She indicated how some of the action items were changed and some of the information that was to be submitted no longer met the new criteria and how some of the points had changed. Discussion was held regarding other options for obtaining points. Kathie Doherty- Peck as the homeless liaison will view some additional webinar training. Some of the additional point option choices were resolutions. A draft resolution regarding homelessness was reviewed and the committee made changes to the proposed wording. Kathie Doherty-Peck will help to finalize the resolution and it will be reviewed again at the next meeting.
 - b. **Action Item 1.3 Develop and Adopt Statement on Equity.** A draft resolution was reviewed and discussion was held regarding racism vs inequity. The committee decided to use some of the language that was included in the Board of Education’s Vision-Goals -Objectives Equity and Diversity. This will be revised and submitted at the next meeting.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. Updates
 1. **Free Tablets program information into community booklet and backpacks.** The booklet will be going out later than planned but still should be before March. The Committee will wait till the next meeting for the update from Barbara Lockhart on her discussion with the Mosaic Coalition.
 2. **Poet Laureate Town Council Resolution (Action Item 4.2.1).** A draft resolution was reviewed. Wills Pike will be getting some more information as to the selection process by the high school.
 3. **Cooling Centers locations (Action Item 10.6.2(a)).** Kathie Doherty-Peck indicated that some of the Fire Houses in the past had indicated that they could be used for both extreme heat/cold condition. She would check into this and report back to the committee.
 - b. Discussion of ongoing projects and proposed projects from various departments or commissions that meet action item criteria. Wills Pike work on Action item 7.3 Achieve High Energy Performance for Individual Buildings.
6. **Other Business:**
 - a. Approval of Minutes from meeting of 11/14/2022. MOTION was made by Wills Pike and seconded by Peter Bushway to approve the minutes of the 11/14/2022 meeting. Voice Vote- All in Favor- Motion Carried.
7. **Correspondence:**
8. **Remarks from the Public.**
9. **Adjournment.** MOTION was made by Kathie Doherty Peck and seconded by Peter Bushway to adjourn. Voice Vote- All in Favor- Meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.