



# Montville Youth Advisory Board

## Minutes

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June 8, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Montville Community Center

### Meeting Minutes

**Members Present:** Chairman: Daniel Dunn, Tim Shanahan, Dan Boisvert, Brianne Messer, Susan Rickards, Sheelagh Lapinski and Loretta Drain

**Also Present:** MYSB Director Barbara Lockhart, Town Council Liaison Councilman Robert Yuchniuk and MYSB Administrative Assistant Dianne Peltier, Dee Morton (Community Member), Adam Sheridan (Youth Liaison 2023-2024)

**Absent:** Officer Karen Aleshire, Vouise Fonville, William Carlos, Youth Liaisons Addie Concasia & Brendan Duhamel

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

#### I. Chairman's Report (Dan Dunn)

- Communications/Correspondence
  - Minutes accepted
- Other Business to Report

#### II. Town Council Liaison Update (Robert Yuchniuk)

- Robert asked Dee Morton to come to the meeting because she had questions about the Federal Opioid money allocations. Barb explained how the money was being used in the community for example: Project Courage, addiction resource cards, Narcan, and SEAT bus vouchers for transporting to meetings, etc. Dee also mentioned she has resources as well. For example - a mobile van for community outreach; however, it never came to fruition due to liability concerns

#### III. New Business

- Sustainable CT
  - Montville received Bronze Certification – Projects were geared towards equity and energy for example. Earn points towards different levels of certification. A lot of the points came from our Youth Action Council (YAC) and the data from all surveys and campaigns. Hopefully will be working on the next level to earn Silver which will include other benchmarks
- Project Courage
  - Continuing services over the summer (10 hours a week) because a gap in services is never a good thing. Some youth go voluntarily while others have a stipulation
- Summer Center
  - Starts June 27, 2023 – 30 spot capacity and 22 are filled, breakfast and lunch included and field trip every Wednesday. Tues/Thurs lots of fun things planned
- New Partnership

- Local artist Michelle Mauro will be coming to the center 1 day a week to teach the kids art – some projects include rock painting, reverse tie dye and water colors

#### **IV. Old Business**

- MYSB Van
  - Working out great! Looking forward to getting out and doing more community projects
- Free Tablet
  - Looking to secure another date in August with Maria Matos. This program also helps to close the digital equity gap and earns points towards becoming a more sustainable town

#### **V. YAC (Youth Action Council) (Brendan Duhamel Report)**

- Addie & Brendan
  - Congratulations to you both on graduating and acceptance into UCONN! Addie is the Valedictorian and received many awards & scholarships. Brie shared with the group a scholarship that Brendan received (see attached). Thank you both for your leadership and effort that you brought to YAC and the Advisory Board!
- Adam Sheridan & Josie English
  - Barb welcomed and introduced Adam to the Board, and all are looking forward to having he and Josie as the youth liaisons

#### **VI. Good & Welfare**

- Penny Drive Update
  - \$627.86 was raised for the Southwest Florida Enterprise Center Foundation, Inc. to help rebuild after the impact of Hurricane Ian

#### **VII. JRB Update (Cases, Dispositions, Referrals)**

- Cases
  - Case load has increased a lot since changes were made at the JJ court – Predict assessment is used, high risk court keeps otherwise referred back to JRB

#### **VIII. Other Business**

- Grants (State & Local)
  - Cost sharing – town has to match
  - Enhancement – town not required to match
- Budgets (State & Local)

#### **X. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by Dan B. 1<sup>st</sup> - Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

#### **XI. Next Meeting**

Thursday, September 14, 2023 – 6:00pm Montville Community Center

Submitted by Dianne Peltier, Administrative Assistant MYSB