# Town of Montville Town Council Special Meeting Minutes December 11, 2023 – 6:00 p.m. Montville Town Hall, Town Council Chambers

## 1. Call to Order

Chairman May called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

# 2. Pledge of Allegiance

### 3. Roll Call

Present were Councilors Jaskiewicz, Lathrop, May, Sabilia, Southard, and Yuchniuk. Absent was Councilor Caron. Also present was Mayor Leonard Bunnell.

4. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit - *none* 

### 5. Executive Session

a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the Conservation Commission, Montville Housing Authority, Inland Wetlands Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, and Public Safety Commission. Discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Leonard Bunnell, Jr.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Sabilia. Discussion: The following Candidates were interviewed: William Barlow, Parks & Recreation Commission; Christine Dimick, Housing Authority; Kathleen Doherty-Peck, Housing Authority; Adam Heckle, Conservation Commission; Alfred Mandler, Housing Authority and Public Safety Commission; John Plikus, Parks & Recreation Commission; and; Kari Wall, Conservation Commission. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Invited parties exited Town Council Chambers for Executive Session at 6:02 p.m. Chairman May resumed the meeting at 6:25 p.m. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

# 6. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit

Montville Housing Authority Administrator Shirley Smith wished to recommend Al Mandler to serve on the Housing Authority. Mr. Mandler, who has compassion for the seniors, has governmental background and attended several meetings where he has presented good ideas that would help them move forward. He would fill the gap that Councilor Jaskiewicz has left behind and be a positive addition to the professionals who currently serve on the Authority. She felt that Kathie Doherty-Peck, who has not attended any of their meetings due to her already heavy workload and commitments, would not be able to offer any additional assistance beyond her current role as the Town's Social and Senior Services Director; she also cited a possible a conflict of interest and her lack of communication. She requested the Councilors appoint an individual who could provide the necessary guidance and knowledge and could invest the time and energy to serve the Authority.

7. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor – *none* 

# 8. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Sabilia, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by: Agnes T. Miyuki, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville

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