

**TOWN OF MONTVILLE**  
**Parks & Recreation Commission**  
**Special Meeting – July 24, 2024 -- 6:30 p.m.**  
**Town Council Chambers**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Comments will only be accepted at times designated for public comments by the Chair of the meeting. The Montville Town Council Rules of Procedure, decorum, timeliness, and suitability shall be followed and enforced.**

**1. Call to order.**

Chairperson Stone called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

All stood and pledged the flag.

**3. Roll Call.**

Present were Chairperson Rocky Stone and Commissioners William Barlow, Jon Chase, Mary Hillman Morgan Matthewson and John Plikus. Vice-Chair Matt Beaupre and Commissioners Noah Carver and Deborah Schober were absent. A quorum was present.

Director Peter Bushway and Town Councilor Southard were absent from the meeting.

**4. Remarks from the Public regarding items on the Agenda (3-minute limit).**

Chairperson Stone asked three (3) times for remarks. There were none.

**5. New Business.**

- a. To Consider an Act on a Motion to approve the color for the siding for the Camp Oakdale Pavilion. Choices are Deep Ocean, Booth Blue, Night Gray or Pearl Gray.

**Motion** by Commissioner Matthewson; seconded by Commissioner Hillman to approve the color for the siding for the Camp Oakdale Pavilion. Choices are Deep Ocean, Booth Blue, Night Gray or Pearl Gray. Discussion: Commissioner Chase remarked that the Commission was paying a little more attention to its role in planning maintenance and general oversight. Chairperson Stone remarked that the siding color that the Commission chooses, with lead time a concern, will be promptly ordered. Commissioner Plikus asked about a change of circumstances paint versus new siding. Per a Public Works meeting, the Chairman reported the decision has always lead toward siding. The columns and doors will also be painted the same. If funds allow, left over paint will be used for the Camp Oakdale bathrooms. Commissioner Hillman inquired whether the roof is dark or light; it is a charcoal gray with white facia. Chairman Stone stopped at the facility prior to the meeting to compare the Deep Ocan and the Booth Blue colors. The Pavilion currently has a bluish color and the debate was whether to have the color blend or make it pop. The color of the Pavilion now looks okay according to Commissioner Chase but years ago the color was tan. He remarked that this is an opportunity for the Commission to have a consistent approach or standard going forward. As to the future, the bathrooms may be the next project in the next few years and

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it would be the same for the Small Pavilion. Chairman Stone noted that the siding is prefinished and can be painted and should wear well. Prefinished siding would not be purchased just to repaint it. Per discussion, the Commission agreed to eliminate the Night Gray and Pearl Gray colored siding as it was agreed that those colors would show dirt and mildew. The Commission then spoke about the options for the two (2) remaining colors Deep Ocean and Booth Blue. It was discussed that from a distance there was not much difference between the two colors and the sunlight will show little difference and thus look interchangeable. Commissioner Chase inquired whether the columns would be painted; Chairman Stone remarked that they would be the same color as siding. Commissioner Barlow remarked that the look would be sharper with white columns; Commissioner Plikus agreed. Commissioner Hillman noted that the white columns would get dirty quickly given the Farmers Market, kids painting or playing with bubbles, and food spills. It was agreed that the columns would get more physical contact with the public. On the corners of the Pavilion stage there will be 4-inch wide PVC and with the eaves board and white trim there will be a lighter effect. If the colors are carried to the bathroom building it would make it look less nondescript. **Roll Call vote: In Favor of Booth Blue:** Commissioners Matthewson and Plikus. 2-4-0. **Opposed:** Commissioners Stone, Barlow, Hillman, and Chase. **Roll Call vote: In favor of Deep Ocean:** Commissioners Stone, Barlow, Hillman, and Chase. 4-2-0. Commissioner Chase asked which color did Public Works choose. It choose Deep Ocean as it met the esthetic and size of the building and less maintenance is required with darker colors.

**6. Remarks from the Public (3-minute limit).**

Chairperson Stone asked three (3) times for remarks. There were none.

**7. Adjournment.**

**Motion** by Commissioner Matthewson; seconded by Commissioner Hillman to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. Discussion: none. Voice vote: 6-0-0, all in favor. **Meeting Adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Gloria J. Gathers  
Town of Montville -- Recording Secretary/Minutes Clerk

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THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE WEBSITE.**