

**Town of Montville
Town Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2025, 7:00 p.m.
Montville Town Hall – Town Council Chambers**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson May called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of our military

3. Roll Call

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

Motion was made by Councilor Yuchniuk, seconded by Councilor Caron, to move Item 4, Special Recognitions/Presentations, to follow Item 5, Alterations on the Agenda. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Alterations to the Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Southard, seconded by Councilor Sabilia, to move Item 16(q) to Item 5(a). Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

- a. **Resolution #2025-13. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to dedicate the Montville Animal Control Facility in memory of fallen Montville Police K-9 Barrett and to establish the name as “The K-9 Barrett Memorial Animal Control Facility”. (Mayor Bunnell)

Motion made by Councilor Sabilia, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: Chairperson May expressed his appreciation to Councilor Southard for organizing the renaming of the Facility. Councilor Southard graciously accepted, stating that the Animal Control Facility and K-9 Barrett are both important to the Town. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor.

4. Special Recognitions/Presentations

- a. Presentation by Avalonia Nature Conservancy

Chairperson May introduced and Mayor Bunnell welcomed Avalonia Land Conservancy Board of Trustees Director Richard Conant and Director of Philanthropy Christopher Kepple, who provided a brief presentation regarding the acquisition of the proposed Bond Property.

A brief background of Avalonia Land Conservancy, the project timeline and budget, a short video, and the upcoming Public Hearing and Town Meeting were presented. The Avalonia Land Conservancy, established in 1968, is primarily an all-volunteer regional organization dedicated to the conservation of land through the acquisition of open space. Currently, the organization conserves over 100 preserves in New London County, each with an individual management plan.

Project Timeline – In 2017, Avalonia was contacted by the owner(s) regarding their possible interest in acquiring the property. The Conservancy proceeded to raise funds and successfully secured a \$2.3 million Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection’s (CTDEEP) Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition (OSWA) Grant, the largest amount ever awarded. In 2019, the town’s POCD (Plan of Conservation and Development) was updated to include the potential acquisition of the property as a conservation parcel. The 673-acre property will be fully accessible, with parking, and multiple trail heads for visitors to engage in passive recreation activities. Additional funding has been secured and mailers were sent to the town’s residents. The funding to purchase the property is time-sensitive due to the Grant, which has been in place for

several years. A short video, featuring Montville Conservation Commission Member Adam Heckle and Avalonia's Director of Stewardship Tobias Glaza, was presented.

Budget – Maps regarding the property are available on the Avalonia website (<https://avalonia.org>). The organization intends to manage the property as open space for passive recreation, as defined by the state. If purchased, a management plan will be created and Avalonia will steward the property, including making parking improvements, addressing access concerns, establishing and/or improving trails, establishing rules, etc. The public will have access to the majority of the property; one section of the property will not include any trails or improvements to preserve the wetlands and watershed. The negotiated price for the property is approximately \$5,687,000.00. To date, over \$90,000.00 has been expended for surveys and incidentals. Several state and federal grants were awarded. Pending is a USDA Connecticut Conservation Grant for \$633,000.00 Connecticut Conservation Protection Program and a \$500,000.00 Connecticut Land Conservation Council, which is contingent upon securing the funds from the Town of Montville. They are requesting the town approve the investment of the remaining balance of \$1,399,750.

Public Hearing, Town Meeting, and Tour(s) – On this evening's agenda are two resolutions to set the dates for the Public Hearing on Monday, April 7, at 6:00 p.m., and Town Meeting on Wednesday, April 9. Those interested in viewing the property may attend a tour this Saturday, March 15, at 10:00 a.m. at the 41 Beckwith Road entrance. Additional tours may be organized.

In response to Mayor Bunnell, Avalonia Land Conservancy Board of Trustees Director Conant stated that environmental studies have been conducted and very minor oil-associated contamination, presumably deriving from the quarry operation, was found and will require remediation. The state is aware of the contamination and the remediation of the area will be handled by Avalonia.

6. To Consider and Act on a Motion to Approve:

- a. The Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2025
- b. The Special Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2025

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to approve the February 10, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes and February 26, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Executive Session

- a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing a candidate for the Economic Development Commission and Regional Tourism District. Discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Leonard Bunnell, Sr.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: Rich Kohlbrecher was interviewed for the Economic Development Commission and Regional Tourism District. Voice vote, 4-0, all in favor. Invited parties exited Town Council Chambers for Executive Session at 7:26 p.m. Chairman May resumed the meeting at 7:37 p.m. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

8. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit

Carol Howard, 23 Bayberry Lane, Uncasville, requested that the Town Meeting for the Bond Resolution be adjusted to either 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. or 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. to accommodate those who work in the day and individuals with children. [Item 16(l)]

State Representative Nick Menapace, who spoke in favor of the Public Hearing and Town Meeting [Items 16(l & m)], stated that the Town of East Lyme faced a similar decision

approximately 20 (twenty) years ago when they had the opportunity to acquire and preserve open space in Oswegatchie Hills. Unfortunately, the voters voted in opposition to authorize the bond to purchase the property, resulting in the development of the land. There are tremendous benefits to the Town of Montville should they vote in favor of funding the remaining balance or will lead to regrets if they vote in opposition.

State Representative Nick Gauthier also spoke in support of Items 16(l&m) and wished to clarify some of the misconceptions. He informed them that the Town would be acquiring 670 acres in the public's interest in perpetuity for only 25% of its cost. The Avalonia Land Conservancy has very strict rules and regulations that must be abided by. Should they cease to exist, the land would be owned by the State of Connecticut and the public. While the land would not be purchased directly by the Town, contributing to its purchase is beneficial as it will ensure its preservation in perpetuity without the burden of maintaining the land.

Krista Serra, 46 Doyle Road, Oakdale, President, Harlow's Heroes, also spoke in favor of Items 16(l & m), stating that much of the concerns center around the financial cost to the taxpayers. She urged them to consider the resulting financial cost should the acquisition fail. In her experience lobbying for laws at the Capitol, there is a historic number of individuals pushing for affordable housing. There is no tax revenue for land developed to accommodate affordable housing and the tax revenue for single-family residences would be minimal. Furthermore, additional housing developments would result in a financial strain on the town's education system, public safety, and infrastructure.

Carol Burgess, 28 New Hampshire Lane, Oakdale, also spoke in favor of Items 16(l & m). A long-time member of the community, she felt that the proposed acquisition was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. The land would increase the public's opportunity for various recreational activities. The purchase is a one-time expense with no associated ongoing maintenance costs. She agreed with the previous comments that if the land is not acquired, it would be sold and developed.

Meredith Badalucca, Assistant Town Planner, spoke in support of awarding the town's engineering services contract to CLA Engineers, Inc., [Item 16(k)], stating that the firm is equipped with extensive knowledge of and familiarity with the town, its drainage system, sightline issues, Zoning and Subdivision Regulations, and Road Standards. They are also locally situated in Norwich, offering a quicker response time in the case of emergencies and resulting in lower travel fees. Furthermore, they offer free weekly meetings for the Land Use & Development and Public Works offices and presented a lower bid.

Stacy Radford, Zoning/Wetlands Officer, also spoke in support of awarding the engineering services contract to CLA Engineers, Inc. She requested that the Town Council consider the locations of the two firms when voting to award the contract. As the Wetlands Officer, she primarily utilizes their Soil Scientist services for wetlands applications and/or violations, many of which require site walks and, being local, do not pose an inconvenience. In contrast, M&J Engineering, Inc., subcontracts its Soil Scientist services to a company in Fairfield.

Catherine Hinojosa, 1171 Route 163, Oakdale, spoke in support of Items 16(l & m) and the of the Bond Property. As a professional in the medical field, she conducts research on how to improve the health of communities and ensure that our children are growing healthy and strong. The evidence shows that open space land is beneficial for a child's overall development and maintains their connection to nature. This is an opportunity to invest in the health of our children. She understood the residents' concerns regarding the cost to the taxpayers, but felt that the benefits, which include our health and the conservation of clean air and clean water, are immeasurable and timeless.

Elaine Hess, 17 Birchwood Drive, Uncasville, Member, Conservation Commission, spoke in favor of Items 16(l & m), stating that the Commission works hard to provide and promote open

space in Montville. Having traveled up to 30 to 60 minutes to attend hiking events, she was surprised to discover that such a beautiful and diverse property with fields, forests, streams, and ponds, was located 15 minutes from her home. The property would not only provide outdoor activities, but it would also help protect the watershed and wildlife habitats and provide educational opportunities for our youth. As a retiree and senior citizen, she understands the concerns regarding the cost but is confident that the land will be responsibly maintained and would be a great investment for the Town. She encouraged everyone to visit the Avalonia website for additional information and attend a tour.

Jessica LeClair, 1650 Route 163, Oakdale, spoke in favor of Items 16(l & m) and stated her strong support to bond the funds needed to acquire the Property. She echoed Ms. Hess' comments and urged everyone to attend a tour of the property, which is a true treasure. The property offers the Town an opportunity to protect open space, preserve valuable wildlife habitats, protect drinking water, show they care about future generations and their access to nature, and provide the public with a new place to recreate and explore. Such opportunities are rare and, while the cost is not insignificant, she expressed her willingness to help fund the endeavor to ensure that the land is preserved in perpetuity. The Bond Property could become their "Yellowstone" where people come together as a community to support a place to be proud of and protect. Following the Town's one-time investment, its residents will reap its benefits forever at no additional cost, and the Avalonia Land Conservancy, a trusted partner in the region, will maintain and ensure that the property prospers. She hopes that the Town will take advantage of this opportunity and support the preservation of the property for the current and future residents of Montville.

Eric Majewski, Route 163, Oakdale, a property abutter, spoke in opposition to Items 16(l & m). He informed them that the Bond Family engaged in a quarry business since 1966 resulting in the mining of approximately 17 acres of the property. An avid hunter who regularly hunts on his 43 acres of property, he stated that opening the property to the public would require him to watch out for the public who have ventured onto his property. He was also concerned with the cost of the acquisition, adding that the Town recently ordered new fire trucks and funded other projects. Furthermore, the number of parties, brush fires, and dirt bikers on the property would grow, resulting in a burden similar to Gardner Lake. He also expressed his dismay with the lack of any face-to-face interaction between Avalonia and members of the community.

Mark Bishop, 150 Derry Hill Road, Uncasville, also spoke in opposition to Items 16(l & m). While he has a love for nature and open space, he was concerned with the financial strain of the acquisition.

Wills Pike, 71 Pheasant Run, Oakdale, spoke in favor of Items 16(l & m) and the Bond Property acquisition. The Town's POCD reports that the Town has approximately 4,712 acres of open space, which accounts for 17% of the Town of Montville. In January 2019, the Town Council, of which he was a member, voted to support the open space watershed land acquisition grant application for the Bond Property and authorize and direct the then-Mayor Ronald McDaniel to execute and deliver a letter of endorsement. He expressed his concerns about how the Town will fund the project, noting that the Town currently has approximately \$30 million in bonds for various projects.

Jeff Rogers, 146 Forsyth Road, Oakdale, Republican Registrar of Voters, addressed items 16(g, h, j, l, and m). He expressed his respect for the Avalonia Land Conservancy and its mission and endeavors, but strongly believed that it was not the taxpayers' responsibility to fund the acquisition; the Conservancy has achieved its funding goals through grants, donations, and other avenues and should continue to do so. Funding the purchase through taxpayer funds was irresponsible, would decrease the Grand List and tax revenue, and forfeit the Town's control of its use. He found it concerning that members of the community and

Legislators were advocating for the Town to appropriate taxpayer funds, further burdening the Town with a debt. He also cited the ongoing budgetary issues within the General Government Budget as many of the departments were informed that they would be receiving a zero to near-zero budget increase.

9. Communications – *none*

10. Report from the Town Attorney on Matters Referred – *none*

11. Remarks from the Mayor and/or Administrative Department Heads to include Matters Referred

Mayor Bunnell introduced the Town's newly hired Finance Director Julie Chapman, a very experienced individual and a long-time resident of the Town.

Public Works Director John Carlson reported that he is hoping to receive the final building plan for the Camp Oakdale building and the final numbers for the Fishing Pier, which is slated to begin in June/July; preliminary work in the water may begin sooner. The Department dedicated one-day last month to picking up litter on those roads with the most litter. In consultation with the Engineers, it was agreed to pave part of Maple Avenue this year and complete the remaining portion after the completion of the Bridge Street construction, Animal Control Facility, and other projects on the road. Last Friday, an incident occurred in which one of the Senior Center windows due to rotting wood and heavy winds. The roof on Bridge Street was repaired. A bucket truck has been rented to cut down dead trees that may fall on the powerlines or roads. He also spoke in favor of awarding the engineering contract to CLA Engineering, Inc., who are not only involved in numerous town projects, but also very familiar with and knowledgeable about the Town. Awarding the contract to a new firm could delay their current projects and cost more.

Timeline for Senior Center Furnace (Councilor Yuchniuk) – Upon approval of the funds, the furnace should be purchased and installed within two (2) weeks.

Montville Police Lt. David Radford reported that the necessary permits to begin construction on the Animal Control Facility were issued and construction is tentatively set to begin on March 17. The Groundbreaking event for the Facility is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, March 29, at 9:00 a.m. The event will include light festivities, including food trucks. Both dates are weather-dependent. He spoke in favor of naming the Facility in memory of K-9 Barrett and thanked Councilor Southard for introducing and proposing the name. He also reported that the Police Department was recently awarded a High-Risk Rural Road Speed Enforcement Grant, which is running from March 1 through May 30, and was partially used to purchase four (4) radar units for the police cruisers, and a Distracted Driving Grant for enforcement during the month of April.

Mayor Bunnell reported on a busy month filled with several meetings, including with the Greater Norwich Chamber of Commerce, board/commission meetings, and staff meetings. In addition, he has interviewed candidates for the Public Works Custodial position, one of whom was hired and started work today; the Firefighter position, one of whom was selected and is slated to begin work on March 24, and; assisted in interviews for the WPCA. He has also been reviewing the departments' budget proposals. He also attended the Cub Scout Pack 67 Blue and Gold Promotion Ceremony; Board of Education's Budget Presentation; Elk of the Year Dinner, honoring Donna Brouwer, Elk Officer of the Year Erika Russo, and Citizen of the Year former Mayor Ron McDaniel whose numerous achievements and accolades were listed. He congratulated and commended the former Mayor for supporting the Town of Montville for the past 30 years.

Treasurer and Accounting Manager Patrick Wall stated their excitement to have Finance Director Chapman lead and join their team. He reported that the Town's request for an Audit

extension was approved and, in response to a previous question regarding the Town's Fund Balance, he reported that the estimated fund balance is approximately \$16 million.

12. Reports from Standing Committees

- a. Town Administration/Rules of Procedure – *items on the Agenda*
- b. Finance – *items on the Agenda*
- c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal – *see Public Work Director's report under Item 11*

13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors

- a. Councilor Caron: Commission on Aging, Non-Profit Organizations, Social Services, Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Fund

Senior & Social Services – He commended the Public Works Director on the receipt of four (4) competitive bids for the Senior Center Boiler; Chairperson May congratulated them on maintaining adequate heat for the Center allowing it to be open in the interim. A new warmer was received for the kitchen, which serves approximately 40 to 60 meals to seniors per day. They have also been very active at the Capitol speaking on the passage of a Bill(s) regarding caregiving services. Computer classes are being offered, utilizing the recently purchased computers. He recommended that everyone visit the Center, which provides food, clothing, and energy services to those in need.

- b. Councilor Jaskiewicz: Board of Education (BOE), Planning & Zoning Commission

Board of Education – Councilor Southard reported that the BOE discussed their proposed FY2025/26 Budget, which includes an increase of 4.49% and Capital Request of \$1,380,740.00.

Planning & Zoning Commission – Four applications, including a modification to an existing site, a proposed 11-unit multi-family development, a Childcare Center with two (2) second-floor apartments, and a re-subdivision on Meetinghouse Lane, are pending decisions. In addition, the Department issued 18 permits, including commercial and home occupation businesses.

Chairperson May added that he was informed that the Town's growth has increased by \$20 million.

- d. Councilor Lathrop: Economic Development Commission, Water Pollution Control Authority

Water Pollution Control Authority – Mayor Bunnell reported that the water tank is delayed due to easement issues. A water usage report will be provided in the future, and discussions regarding the Maple Drive paving project are ongoing.

- e. Councilor Sabilia: Conservation Commission, Public Safety Commission, Youth Services Bureau and Advisory Board

Conservation Commission – Plans for CT Trails Day and promoting the Bond Property acquisition have been at the center of their discussions.

Youth Services Bureau – Youth Services Bureau – The "You Good, Bro?" campaign is now displayed on the Rte. 32 SEAT buses and on several digital billboards in the Hartford area and talks have begun to highlight the campaign on a future segment of Great Day with Scot Haney & Kara Sundlun. In addition, in partnership with the Montville Police Department, a "You Good Bro?" patch is being designed; all proceeds will benefit the First Responders Mental Health Organization, CABLE (Connecticut Alliance to Benefit Law Enforcement). March Madness is underway, with the afterschool program students participating in healthy competitions and learning the importance of sportsmanship. Shamrock Shakes will be shared on St. Patrick's Day at 3:00 p.m. The Uncas Health Mobile Health Van is rotating locations (Town Hall, Mohegan Fire & the Fair Oaks Community Center). Addiction and Substance Misuse counseling services are also

available to Montville Residents. Both programs are being offered free of charge and funded by federal opioid funds. Six Montville MYSB Youth were chosen to be part of ALLI (Adolescent Leadership & Learning Institute), a youth leadership program funded by SERAC (Southeastern Regional Action Council).

- e. Councilor Southard: Farmers Market Committee, Library Committee, Parks & Recreation Commission

Farmers Market Committee – The Committee is busy organizing the music, food trucks, and vendors for the upcoming season.

Parks & Recreation Commission – An informational meeting was held due to a lack of a quorum. The location for this year's summer camp will be moved due to the field construction project. Dance Program Recitals will be held on June 27. The Carnival Committee is also busy securing food trucks and entertainment for this year's event.

14. Appointments and Resignations

- a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint Kelley Orbe to the Farmers Market Committee with a term to expire on April 8, 2028.
Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.
- b. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint Chelsea Lember to the Farmers Market Committee with a term to expire on April 8, 2028.
Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.
- c. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint Jessica LeClair to the Conservation Commission with a term to expire on April 13, 2027.
Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Sabilia. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.
- d. To Consider and Act on a Motion to accept the resignation of John Poole from the Planning & Zoning Commission, effective immediately.
Motion made by Councilor Sabilia, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.
- e. To Consider and Act on a Motion to appoint either Alternate Members William Pieniadz or Mickey Gillette to fill a vacancy as a Full Member of the Planning & Zoning Commission with a term to expire on January 20, 2026.
Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: None. Voting in Favor of William Pieniadz: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, and May. Voting in Favor of Mickey Gillette: Councilor Yuchniuk. Alternate Member William Pieniadz was appointed as a Full Member of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

15. Unfinished Business – *none*

16. New Business

- a. **Resolution #2025-14. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to refund taxes due to overpayments and corrections in the amount of \$2,239.69 (two thousand two hundred thirty-nine dollars and sixty-nine cents) as requested by the Tax Collector. (Councilor May)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- b. **Resolution #2025-15. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to elect to be eligible for the Small-Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) and authorizes Mayor Leonard Bunnell to submit written notice of same to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. (Mayor Bunnell)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Sabilia. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- c. **Resolution #2025-16. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize Mayor Leonard Bunnell to execute the Animal Control Services Agreement with the Towns of Bozrah and Colchester. (Mayor Bunnell)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: An annual stipend, determined by the towns' respective population and call trends, will be received from each of the towns. Discussions will ensue with the Mohegan Tribe who has also expressed interest. It was confirmed that the new Facility will be sufficient to handle the additional animals. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- d. **Resolution #2025-17. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the OCV Mobile App Push Notification System Policy, as approved and recommended by the Town Administration Rules/Procedure Committee. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Sabilia. Discussion: The Policy will replace the existing Everbridge Policy. It is hoped that a draft of the system will be completed in the next month; there is no definite launch date at this time. The Everbridge System continues to be available for emergency notifications. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- e. **Resolution #2025-18. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the Police Extra Duty Policy, as approved and recommended by the Town Administration Rules/Procedure Committee. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: The Policy was previously updated with the addition of the administration fee. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- f. **Resolution #2025-19. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the amended Policy for Purchasing Town Fire Apparatus, as approved and recommended by the Town Administration Rules/Procedure Committee. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Sabilia. Discussion: Councilor Jaskiewicz reported that the Committee engaged in an extensive discussion regarding the amended Policy, which was approved with a vote of 2-1. He stated that a committee would be established to research and determine the need. The request would then be forwarded to the other Chiefs for comment. After addressing the comments, the request will be forwarded to the Public Safety Commission for approval to send the item to the Town Council. Roll call vote, 5-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Resolution passed.

- g. **Resolution #2025-20. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize the transfer of \$22,000.00 (twenty-two thousand dollars) from account 10480-52164, Contingency to account 10340-52046, Legal Fees Labor. (Councilor May)
Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.
- h. **Resolution #2025-21. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize the transfer of \$8,000.00 (eight thousand dollars) from account 10480-52164, Contingency to account 10340-52041, Legal Fees General. (Councilor May)
Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.
- i. **Resolution #2025-22. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize the End of Year Transfers for Fiscal Year 2024 as depicted in Attachment A. (Councilor May)
Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: Mayor Bunnell expressed his appreciation to Treasurer Wall for his hard work, dedication, and commitment to completing the project. Councilors Jaskiewicz and May concurred. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.
- j. **Resolution #2025-23. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize the transfer of \$4,470.00 (four thousand four hundred seventy dollars) from account 10480-52164, Contingency to account 10420-52018, to cover the ongoing cost of Unemployment from the Department of Labor. (Councilor May)
Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: Mayor Bunnell explained that the transfer is due to a reduction in the line item for the FY2024/25 Budget and an increase in claims. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.
- k. **Resolution #2025-24. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to award the engineering services contract to CLA Engineering, Inc., or M&J Engineering, Inc., for the Town of Montville from March 11, 2025 to March 11, 2028 and further, to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement for same. (Mayor Bunnell)
Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Sabilia. Discussion: Councilor Caron acknowledged the comments from the Planning & Zoning and Public Works Departments and, while both are excellent firms, urged his colleagues to vote in favor of CLA Engineering, Inc., which is in the midst of various town projects. Councilor May stated his experience with CLA Engineering, Inc., and concurred with the Planning & Zoning Department's comments. Roll call vote, 6-0, in favor of CLA Engineering, Inc. Voting in Favor of CLA Engineering, Inc.: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Favor of M&J Engineering, Inc.: None. Resolution passed.
- l. **Resolution #2025-25. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the following Bond Resolution to be voted upon by the voters at Town Meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 from 4:00 to 7:00 P.M. to be held at the Montville High School Auditorium, 800 Old Colchester Road, Oakdale, CT 06370: "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,500,000 FOR THE PRESERVATION OF BOND PROPERTY PROJECT AND THE FINANCING OF SAID APPROPRIATION BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF

THE TOWN AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF SUCH BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000 THEREFOR” (Councilor May)

Motion made by Councilor Sabilia, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz. Discussion: A correction in Section 1 of the Bond Resolution was amended to read:

Section 1. That the sum of \$1,500,000 is appropriated by the Town of Montville, Connecticut...purchase of the Bond Property consisting of approximately ~~557~~ 673 acres located in the Town....

Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- m. **Resolution #2025-26. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to set the a Public Hearing be held on Monday, April 7, 2025 at 6:00 P.M., in the Town Hall, Town Council Chambers, 310 Norwich-New London Turnpike, Uncasville, CT 06382 regarding the following resolution: “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,500,000 FOR THE PRESERVATION OF BOND PROPERTY PROJECT AND THE FINANCING OF SAID APPROPRIATION BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE TOWN AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF SUCH BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000 THEREFOR” (Councilor May)

Motion made by Councilor Sabilia, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: None. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- n. **Resolution #2025-27. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize the transfer of \$25,000.00 (twenty-five thousand dollars) from account 10480-52164, Contingency to account 10960-54015 to fund the Senior Center boiler. (Mayor Bunnell)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: Councilor Caron stated that the project was awarded to the lowest bidder and noted that they were no longer able to repair the existing boiler due to obsolete parts. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- o. **Resolution #2025-28. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the schedule of depreciation with respect to motor vehicles based on the manufacturer’s suggested retail price of such motor vehicles shall apply, provided no motor vehicle shall be assessed at an amount less than five hundred dollars for assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2024 pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §12-63, as depicted in Attachment B. (Mayor Bunnell)

Motion made by Councilor Sabilia, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: Mayor Bunnell stated that the Resolution would allow them to modify the existing schedule of depreciation, per state statutes, from the market value to the manufacturer’s suggested retail price. While the depreciation costs will continue to be applied, the town’s tax revenue is expected to increase. Roll call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Sabilia, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

17. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit

Krista Serra, 46 Doyle Road, Oakdale, thanked the Councilors for agreeing to name the new Animal Control Facility after K-9 Barrett, the Police Department’s first patrol dog. She provided a brief history of his life and accolades, including the support and comfort he provided her after responding to her domestic violence call. His support eventually led her to form Harlow’s Heroes. K-9 Barrett was also present at the town's many community events,

summer camps, and schools. She reiterated her appreciation to the Town Council for honoring K-9 Barrett by naming the Animal Control Facility after him and furthering his legacy and acknowledging his achievements.

Carol Howard, 23 Bayberry Lane, Uncasville, expressed her pride in their daughter, Krista Serra. She also recognized Ann Gaulin and her non-profit team for all of their hard work and efforts and expressed her disappointment with the need to support funding for additional items for the new Animal Control Facility that were cut to decrease the cost of the Facility. She was dismayed by the lack of transparency in this matter. She also recognized and expressed her appreciation to Councilor Southard for her BOE reports and support for naming the K-9 Barrett Animal Control Facility.

18. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor

Councilor Yuchniuk was pleased with honoring K-9 Barrett by naming the Animal Control Facility after him and is looking forward to the Groundbreaking event. He thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting.

Councilor Sabilia thanked Councilor Southard for initiating the campaign to name the facility after K-9 Barrett and Ms. Serra for providing K-9 Barrett's history. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting and caring about their town.

Chairperson May suggested the possibility of using the graphic on the patch for the Animal Control Facility signage. He stated the importance of holding the Public Hearings and Town Meetings to inform and allow residents to voice their opinions and vote on important matters. He also welcomed newly hired Finance Director Chapman.

Responding to Councilor Caron's invitation, Finance Director Chapman stated that, as a lifelong resident of the Town, she was excited to get started and serve her community.

Councilor Caron commended Councilor Southard and acknowledged the importance of remembering those who have offered their support. While he was strongly opposed to the purchasing of the Bond Property for financial reasons, he recognized the importance of allowing the members of the public to voice their opinions. He thanked the Councilors for supporting the funding of the boiler for the Senior Center.

Councilor Jaskiewicz thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting.

Councilor Southard was pleased with Councilor Caron's support for the Public Hearing and Town Meeting for the Bond Property and stated the importance of allowing the voices of the residents to be heard. She also thanked everyone for their gestures of appreciation.

Mayor Bunnell responded to Ms. Howard's comments, stating that the price for the Animal Control Facility was consistently increasing and cuts were necessary to keep the project within budget. They are fortunate to have Ms. Gaulin who is working with the neighboring towns to help raise funds for these items. He is proud to be part of the project and witnessing the Animal Control Facility come to fruition and giving it its identity with K-9 Barrett in perpetuity. He felt that the acquisition of the Bond Property would be an opportunity for the town to increase its open space for light recreational use, adding that dirt bikes will always be an issue.

19. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Sabilia. to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 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

**AN AUDIO RECORD OF THE MEETING CAN BE FOUND ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE
LOCATED UNDER RESOURCES – MEETING RECORDINGS**

Attachment A

End of Fiscal Year 2024 Interdepartmental Transfers

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	Deficit	Surplus
010 -100-310-51050	Admin Secretary	-15,844.57	
010 -100-310-52079	Condemnation Relocation	-3,419.49	
010 -100-330-53008	Advertising	-1,450.19	
010 -100-330-53014	Community Booklet	-8,571.98	
010 -100-340-52041	Legal - General	-43,629.03	
010 -100-340-52045	Land Use Matters	-5,262.82	
010 -100-340-52046	Labor/Employment Matters	-83,757.71	
010 -200-360-52090	DARE Program	-680.94	
010 -100-037-52000	Electricity	-3,883.40	
010 -100-037-52003	Telephone/Internet	-11,152.03	
010 -100-037-52005	Fuel Oil/Propane	-2,455.94	
010 -100-037-53020	Postage	-10,057.03	
010 -300-420-52017	Holiday Bonus Payments	-100.00	
010 -300-420-52023	Life & L.T.D. Insurance	-33.75	
010 -300-420-52027	Vacation Payout	-45,829.71	
010 -300-420-52028	Retirement Payout	-3,345.19	
010 -300-420-53050	Physicals	-5,385.99	
010 -400-450-52196	2024 Bus Lease	-56,109.96	
010 -400-460-52196	2024 Bus Lease	-1,172.37	
010 -100-470-52040	Auditor & Accounting	-21,549.00	
010 -100-560-51055	Town Clerk	-3,702.69	
010 -100-570-51014	Registrar Salary	-908.18	
010 -100-580-52037	Poll Workers	-5,302.09	
010 -100-580-53052	Office Equipment	-10,724.67	
010 -100-620-52184	Engineering Public Works	-855.00	
010 -650-730-51016	Secretary Salary	-64.04	
010 -650-730-51074	PT Camp Oakdale	-12,275.39	
010 -600-740-51024	Kitchen Site Server	-2,202.03	
010 -600-740-52000	Electricity	-11,231.02	
010 -600-750-51073	Part time Youth Workers	-1,308.82	
010 -650-760-51016	Secretary Salary	-88.59	
010 -650-775-52005	Fuel Oil	-4,505.37	
010 -700-820-51016	Secretary Salary	-2,622.58	
010 -700-820-51040	Police Salaries	-34,310.81	
010 -700-820-51075	PT Clerical	-1,240.00	
010 -700-820-51106	Overtime-Grants	-54,190.91	
010 -700-820-53032	Weapons & Ammunition	-2,038.87	
010 -700-820-53060	Cellular Phone	-826.90	
010 -700-830-53025	Inspection Supplies	-7,043.44	
010 -700-860-51016	Secretary Salary	-1,093.00	
010 -700-870-51100	Overtime	-41,802.34	
010 -700-880-51045	Firemen Salaries	-18,871.09	
010 -700-880-53021	Equipment Maint & Repair	-42,102.38	
010 -700-880-53086	Equipment	-1,469.71	
010 -100-930-51060	Deputy Building Official	-417.14	
010 -100-930-53004	Training & Conferences	-99.08	
010 -100-930-53025	Inspection Supplies	-14.29	
010 -750-940-52030	Recycling	-9,228.32	

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010 -750-940-52124	Tipping Fees SCRRRA	-40,770.35	
010 -100-380-51062	Human Resource Director Salary		1,041.32
010 -100-380-52136	Fees (Membership)		156.00
010 -100-380-53019	Misc Supplies		50.00
010 -100-410-52026	Tax Refunds		16,959.60
010 -300-425-52024	Other Insurance		42.22
010 -300-425-52143	Insurance Reimbursement		6,388.08
010 -100-430-51075	PT Clerical		200.00
010 -100-430-53000	Office Supplies		50.00
010 -100-440-51075	PT Clerical		6,286.98
010 -100-480-52164	Contingency		136,426.92
010 -500-610-51003	Town Planner Salary		198.74
010 -500-610-51016	Secretary Salary		83.61
010 -500-610-51017	ZEO/WEO		12,540.00
010 -500-610-51100	Overtime		0.90
010 -500-610-51136	Assistant Planner		70.20
010 -500-610-52136	Fees (Membership)		279.72
010 -500-610-53002	Consulting Services		20,500.00
010 -500-610-53008	Advertising		1.35
010 -500-610-54000	Equipment		866.16
010 -100-630-52136	Fees (Membership)		65.00
010 -100-630-53004	Training & Conferences		200.00
010 -100-630-53014	Printing		125.00
010 -100-630-53019	Misc Supplies		5.41
010 -100-640-51016	Secretary Salary		675.49
010 -100-640-53004	Training & Conferences		12.00
010 -100-650-51016	Secretary Salary		233.74
010 -100-650-53004	Training & Conferences		88.00
010 -100-650-53014	Printing		240.00
010 -100-650-53019	Business Resource Forum		100.00
010 -100-650-53024	Reference Materials		336.00
010 -100-670-51016	Secretary Salary		8.23
010 -100-670-53004	Training & Conferences		50.00
010 -600-680-51016	Secretary Salary		1,142.92
010 -600-680-53004	Training & Conferences		500.00
010 -600-710-52091	St Bernard Health Service		11,246.99
010 -600-710-53010	Vital Statistics		200.00
010 -600-720-51057	Soc.Serv. Secr/Clerk		5,491.59
010 -600-720-51075	PT Clerical		3,812.50
010 -600-720-51100	Overtime		921.70
010 -600-720-53004	Training & Conferences		100.00
010 -600-720-53019	Misc Supplies		500.00
010 -700-810-51006	Fire Marshal Salary		1.20
010 -700-810-51016	Secretary Salary		3,924.65
010 -700-810-51134	Deputy Fire Marshal		19.81
010 -700-810-52120	Millstone Drill Expenses		0.69
010 -700-810-53004	Training & Conferences		200.00
010 -700-810-53015	Uniforms		79.00
010 -700-810-53019	Misc Supplies		38.50
010 -700-810-53024	Reference Materials		300.00
010 -700-810-53052	Office Equipment		144.35
010 -700-840-51041	Police Private Duty		331,959.57

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010 -700-840-51042	Fire Marshal Private Dty	1,512.50
010 -700-850-51012	Animal Control Officer Salary	20,988.26
010 -700-850-52011	Building Maintenance	212.18
010 -700-850-52013	Propane	1,264.81
010 -700-850-53004	Training & Conferences	175.04
010 -700-850-53008	Advertising	212.00
010 -700-850-53015	Uniforms	65.43
010 -700-850-53019	Misc Supplies	41.42
010 -700-850-53041	Safety Equipment	56.92
010 -700-850-53060	Cellular Phone	1.47
010 -700-850-53062	Vet Fees	76.71
010 -700-890-52000	Electricity	418.07
010 -700-890-52011	Building Maintenance	1.14
010 -700-890-52013	Natural Gas	778.45
010 -700-890-52128	Water & Sewer Charges	0.71
010 -700-890-53019	Misc Supplies	249.35
010 -700-890-53021	Equipment Maint & Repair	500.00
010 -750-910-52005	Fuel Oil	7,673.92
010 -750-910-52008	Streetlight Repairs	4,773.98
010 -750-910-52012	Paving & Curbing	492.33
010 -750-910-52013	Propane	1,871.16
010 -750-910-52128	Water & Sewer Assessments	192.00
010 -750-910-52156	Boat Launch	450.21
010 -750-910-53011	Vehicle Expenses-Trucks	2,762.09
010 -750-910-53012	Vehicle Expenses-Public Safety	832.97
010 -750-910-53014	Printing	7.67
010 -750-910-53015	Uniforms	1,773.27
010 -750-910-53017	Plowing Supplies	3,379.01
010 -750-910-53018	Sand & Salt	5,000.00
010 -750-910-53021	Equipment Maint & Repair	2,391.01
010 -750-910-53024	Reference Materials	9.59
010 -750-910-53027	Mechanic Tools	41.47
010 -750-910-53029	Maintenance & Upkeep	1,370.17
010 -750-910-53034	Signs & Markers	326.31
010 -750-910-53041	Safety Equipment	9.07
010 -750-910-53042	Tree Removal	1,830.35
010 -750-910-53043	Vehicle Supplies	195.67
010 -750-910-53045	Road Striping	213.34
010 -750-910-53047	Tools	64.46
010 -750-910-53060	Cellular Phone	300.05
010 -750-910-53100	Maintenance-Community Center	1,267.45
010 -750-910-53102	Maintenance - Public Works	5,326.03
010 -750-910-53104	Maintenance - Town Hall	155.03
010 -750-910-53108	Equipment Rental	615.05
010 -750-910-54028	Communication Equipment	120.24
010 -650-920-53029	Maintenance & Upkeep	137.70

TOTALS

-635,000.20**635,000.20**

010 -750-940-52124 Tipping Fees SCRRRA

-27,118.36

010 -700-820-51100 Overtime

-232,573.68

010 -700-880-51100	Overtime	-285,288.31	
010 -900-960-54006	Police Car Replacement	-45,565.66	
010 -900-960-54184	PD Firearms	-5,750.83	
NEEDED FROM FUND BALANCE			596,296.84
TOTALS		-596,296.84	596,296.84

ATTACHMENT B

A RESOLUTION REGARDING MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES

PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES SECTION 12-63, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES:

For assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2024, the following schedule of depreciation with respect to motor vehicles based on the manufacturer's suggested retail price of such motor vehicles shall apply, provided no motor vehicle shall be assessed at an amount less than five hundred dollars:

Age of Vehicle	Percentage of Manufacturer’s Suggested Age of Vehicle Retail Price
Up to year one	Ninety per cent
Year two	Eighty-five per cent
Year three	Eighty per cent
Year four	Seventy-five per cent
Year five	Seventy per cent
Year six	Sixty-five per cent
Year seven	Sixty per cent
Year eight	Fifty-five per cent
Year nine	Fifty per cent
Year ten	Forty-five per cent
Year eleven	Forty per cent
Year twelve	Thirty-five per cent
Year thirteen	Thirty per cent
Year fourteen	Twenty-five per cent
Years fifteen to nineteen	Twenty per cent
Twenty years and beyond	Not less than five hundred dollars

Dated at Montville, Connecticut this 10th day of March, 2025.
Katie Haring, Montville Town Clerk

BOND RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,500,000 FOR THE PRESERVATION OF BOND PROPERTY PROJECT AND THE FINANCING OF SAID APPROPRIATION BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE TOWN AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF SUCH BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000 THEREFOR

RESOLVED:

Section 1. That the sum of \$1,500,000 is appropriated by the Town of Montville, Connecticut (the “Town”) for a grant to the Avalonia Land Conservancy (“Avalonia”) pursuant to an agreement between the Town and Avalonia with respect to the purchase of the Bond Property consisting of approximately 673 acres located in the Town for the preservation of such property, and for interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and for administrative, printing, financing and legal and costs of issuance related thereto (the “Project”).

Section 2. That to finance said appropriation for the Project, the Town shall issue bonds, notes or other obligations in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000. The bonds, notes or other obligations shall be issued pursuant to Chapter 109 of the Connecticut General Statutes, Revision of 1958, as amended (the “Connecticut General Statutes”), including, without limitation, Section 7-369 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and any other enabling acts.

Section 3. That the Town issue and renew temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds, notes or other obligations for the Project or the receipt of grants for the Project. The amount of the notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed \$1,500,000. The notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-378 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Town shall comply with the provisions of Section 7-378a of the Connecticut General Statutes with respect to any notes that do not mature within the time permitted by said Section 7-378.

Section 4. That the Mayor and the Director of Finance of the Town (the “Officials”) be authorized to sign said bonds, notes or other obligations by their manual or facsimile signatures and to determine the amounts, rates of interest, dates, maturities, dates of principal and interest payments on such bonds, notes or other obligations, the form of such bonds, notes or other obligations; the provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of the holders of such bonds, notes or other obligations and all other terms, conditions and particular matters regarding the issuance and securing of such bonds, notes or other obligations and to execute, sell and deliver the same and all other documents, agreements and certificates related to the sale, issuance or delivery of said bonds, notes or other obligations, and provide all supporting documentation as may be necessary or desirable to accomplish such purposes and to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (the “Rule”), and in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes and any other applicable provision of law thereto enabling. Pursuant to Section 7-370 of the Connecticut General Statutes, except as otherwise provided herein, the Officials are delegated authority to determine the terms, details and particulars of borrowings authorized by this resolution. The bonds and notes authorized hereby shall be general obligations of the Town secured by the full faith and credit of the Town.

Section 5. That the Officials are hereby authorized to designate a bank or trust company to be the certifying bank, registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for such bonds and notes; to provide for the keeping of a record of the bonds, notes or other obligations; to designate a financial advisor to the Town in connection with the sale of the bonds, notes or other obligations; to designate the law firm of Pullman

& Comley, LLC, Hartford, Connecticut, as the attorneys at law, to render an opinion approving the legality of such issue or issues.

Section 6. That the Officials are authorized to sell the bonds and notes by a competitive offering or by a negotiated sale, at public or private sale, at their discretion; to deliver the bonds, notes or other obligations; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds, notes or other obligations, including, but not limited to, entering into a continuing disclosure agreement pursuant to the "Rule". If the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized by this resolution are issued on a tax-exempt basis, the Officials are authorized to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds, notes or other obligations, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.

Section 7. That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations (the "Treasury Regulations") that project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds, which are paid within sixty days prior to and any time after the date of passage of this resolution, and that (except to the extent reimbursed from grant moneys) the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings (the "Obligations") in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the Project. Such Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than eighteen months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Treasury Regulations may authorize. The Treasurer, or designee, is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of reimbursement Obligations. The Officials are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized by this resolution, if issued on a tax-exempt basis.

Section 8. That the Officials are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to information repositories designated by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board and to provide notices to such repositories of certain events as enumerated in the Rule, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to such repositories made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 9. It is hereby found and determined that it is in the public interest to issue all, or a portion of, the bonds, notes or other obligations of the Town authorized herein as qualified private activity bonds, or with interest that is includable in gross income of the holders thereof for purposes of federal income taxation. The Officials are hereby authorized to issue and utilize without further approval any financing alternative currently or hereafter available to municipal governments pursuant to law including but not limited to any "tax credit bond," "tax-advantaged bond," including direct payment and tax credit versions of such bonds.

Section 10. That the Officials and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to take all other actions which are necessary or desirable to complete the Project consistent with the foregoing and to issue bonds, notes or other obligations to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

Section 11. That this resolution shall become effective after approval at Town Meeting vote.