Town of Montville Town Council Public Hearing Minutes May 6, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. Montville Town Hall – Council Chambers

Call to Order Vice Chairperson Caron called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

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

4. Public Hearing

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Sabilia, to open the Public Hearing regarding the "Rate Schedule for all Water Service located within the Town of Montville Service Area Billed on or after July 1, 2025". Discussion: None. Voice vote, 5-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

TOWN OF MONTVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Montville Town Council will hold a public hearing at Montville Town Hall, Council Chambers, 310 Norwich-New London Tpke, Uncasville, CT, on May 6, 2025 at 6:30 P.M., on proposed revisions to the existing water rate schedule. At this hearing, all consumers of water, property owners serviced by the Montville Water Department and other interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard, and written communications relative to the above will be received and considered.

The dollar amounts of such proposed increase to the existing rate schedule are set forth below. Copies of the complete text of the proposed rate schedule are on file at the offices of the Town of Montville Town Clerk, 310 Norwich-New London Tpke, Uncasville, and Montville Water Pollution Control Administrative Office, 83 Pink Row, Uncasville, CT. and are available for public inspection on the Town's website Montville-ct.org.

RATE SCHEDULE FOR ALL WATER SERVICE LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE SERVICE AREA BILLED ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2025

Approved by Montville Water & Sewer Commission 4/7/2025

1. MONTHLY RATE IS THE SUM OF THE SERVICE CHARGE AND THE CONSUMPTION CHARGE

A. The monthly **service charge** is based on meter size and includes consumption charge for the first 2,000 gallons for monthly customers and 6,000 gallons for quarterly customers

Meter Size												
	C	Current	I	Y2025	FY2026	F	Y2027	F	Y2028	F	Y2029	FY2030
Quarterly												
5/8"	\$	45.00	\$	58.50	\$ 76.05	\$	83.66	\$	92.02	\$	93.86	\$ 95.74
3/4"	\$	45.00	\$	58.50	\$ 76.05	\$	83.66	\$	92.02	\$	93.86	\$ 95.74
1"	\$	45.00	\$	58.50	\$ 76.05	\$	83.66	\$	92.02	\$	93.86	\$ 95.74
1 1/2"	\$	120.00	\$	156.00	\$ 202.80	\$	223.08	\$	245.39	\$	250.30	\$ 255.30
2"	\$	233.00	\$	302.90	\$ 393.77	\$	433.15	\$	476.46	\$	485.99	\$ 495.71

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Montl	nly									
3"	\$ 126.00	\$ 163.80	\$	212.94	\$ 234.23	\$	257.66	\$ 262.81	\$ 268.07	
4"	\$ 195.00	\$ 253.50	\$	329.55	\$ 362.51	\$	398.76	\$ 406.73	\$ 414.87	
6"	\$ 500.00	\$ 650.00	\$	845.00	\$ 929.50	\$	1,022.45	\$ 1,042.90	\$1,063.76	
8"	\$ 605.00	\$ 786.50	\$	1,022.45	\$ 1,124.70	\$	1,237.16	\$ 1,261.91	\$1,287.15	
10"	\$ 605.00	\$ 786.50	\$	1,022.45	\$ 1,124.70	\$	1,237.16	\$ 1,261.91	\$1,287.15	
12"	\$ 1,481.00	\$ 1,925.30	\$	2,502.89	\$ 2,753.18	\$	3,028.50	\$ 3,089.07	\$3,150.85	
В	The monthly consu	mption charge	e is ba	sed on the r	number of gallo	ons r	ecorded on	the meter		

B. The monthly **consumption charge** is based on the number of gallons recorded on the meter during the billing period and is calculated in 1,000 increments in accordance with this Schedule:

	Per										Per			
Monthly		1,000							Qua	rterly		1,000		
Consumptio	n								Cons	sumption				
0-2,000														
Gal.	Inclu	uded							0-6,0	000 Gal.	Incl	uded		
2,000+ Gal.	Per	Schedul	9						6,00	0+ Gal.	Per	Schedul	e	
	Curr	ent	FY	2025	F١	2026	F	Y2027	F	Y2028	F١	(2029	F١	Y2030
	\$	6.11	\$	7.94	\$	10.33	\$	11.36	\$	12.49	\$	12.74	\$	13.00

2. HYDRANT AND FIRE SPRINKLER CHARGES

	Current	Р	roposed
A. Hydrant Annual Charge	\$ 260.00	\$	300.00

B. Fire Sprinkler Service in accordance with the following schedule:

	Cu	irrent	Proposed			
Connection Size	Annual Charge					
2"	\$	45.00	\$	55.00		
3"	\$	880.00	\$	1,000.00		
4"	\$	880.00	\$	1,000.00		
6"	\$	880.00	\$	1,000.00		
8"	\$	880.00	\$	1,000.00		
10"	\$	880.00	\$	1,000.00		

3. NEW SERVICE CONNECTIONS

A. New Account Administration Fee

Current	Proposed
\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00

B. Service Connection Operational Charge per Unit

Current	F	Proposed
\$ 185.00	\$	200.00

C. Installation for residential corporation cock, copper feeder line, and curb stop Flat fee plus any additional time and material needed

Current	Proposed
\$ 2,750.00	\$ 3,000.00

- D. Installation for commercial/industrial connection will be negotiated with the applicant based on average gallons per day and time and materials
- E. Service Connection Infrastructure Charge

	Current	1	Proposed
Residential	\$ 3,500.00	\$	3 <i>,</i> 850.00

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Non-Residential water connection fee based on meter size

	Current	Proposed
5/8"	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,850.00
3/4"	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 4,290.00
1"	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,500.00
1 1/2"	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 8,030.00
2"	\$ 12,800.00	\$ 14,080.00
3"	\$ 18,900.00	\$ 20,790.00
4"	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 34,100.00
6"	\$ 57,000.00	\$ 62,700.00
8"	\$ 88,000.00	\$ 96,800.00
10"	\$ 116,000.00	\$ 127,600.00

4. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES

	(Current	Р	roposed
A. Emergency service after business hours	\$	55.00	\$	75.00
Per hour/Minimum 3				
hours				
B. Emergency service during business	\$	40.00	\$	50.00
Per hour				
C. Service work by appointment during business hours		N/C		N/C
D. Returned Check Fee	\$	35.00	\$	40.00
E. Curb shut off	\$	50.00	\$	65.00
F. Restoration of Service	\$	50.00	\$	65.00
G. Door Tag/Collections	\$	50.00	\$	60.00
H. Meter accuracy test requested by customer				
If meter is off more than 4%		N/C		N/C
If meter is off less than 4%	\$	130.00	\$	130.00
I. Backflow prevention device test (1)	\$	75.00	\$	75.00
Each additional unit at same site	\$	30.00	\$	30.00
J. Curb Box Repair-Equipment Required			\$	350.00
Curb Box Repair-Hand Dug			\$	150.00

Dated this 15th day of April, 2025 Katie Haring, Montville Town Clerk

Vice Chairperson Caron invited the public to speak on the proposed Rate Schedule.

Maureen Benway, 41 Dock Road, Uncasville, stating that she advocated for a rate increase in 2018. Initiating an incremental increase would have been more palatable to and easier to absorb, especially for seniors who are on a fixed income.

Vice Chairperson Caron asked three times if any members of the public would like to speak on the proposed Ordinance. There being none, the Public Hearing was closed.

- 5. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit *none*
- 6. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor *none*
- Adjournment Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

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 RECORDING