

**Town of Montville  
Town Council  
Special Meeting Minutes  
May 29, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.  
Montville Town Hall, Town Council Chambers**

1. Call to Order  
Chairperson May called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call  
Present were Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Absent were Councilors Lathrop and Sabilia. Also present was Mayor Leonard Bunnell, Sr.
4. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit  
Chairperson May recited correspondence received from Thomas J. McNally regarding the proposed FY2025/26 budget, stating that it does not reflect the true financial state of the town and citing that it is based on an "unrealistic 99.9% collection rate", the "underfunding of police overtime and other critical line items", "absence of line items for essential expenditures", and use of the Town's diminishing reserve fund.

*In response, Chairperson May stated that the tax collection rate of 99.9% was based on the Town's average collection rate over the past three (3) years. While the Town Council has approved the mil rate based on a 98% collection rate in the past, he felt that taxing the townspeople when the funds are available was wrong. He corrected that the differential between a 98% and 99.9% collection rate was not \$3 million. Additionally, he corrected that there were no adjustments for police overtime. However, an adjustment for police private-duty overtime, which is paid for by those companies that hire Police Officers to provide security or other law enforcement-related services, was made. As such, the line item is a pass-through and should not be paid for by the citizens. Furthermore, he corrected that the Town's Reserve Fund is currently at \$16 million, not the \$12.8 million he purports. He refuted Mr. McNally's statements that the Town is facing a projected \$4 million+ shortfall. He stated the availability of the Finance Committee and Finance Committee members for any questions the public might have regarding the budget.*

5. New Business
  - a. **Resolution #2025-45. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to adopt the fiscal year 2025-2026 Budget.**

***Whereas***, the Mayor has presented the budget to the Town Council; and

***Whereas***, the Board of Education has presented a budget to the Town Council; and

***Whereas***, the Town Council has caused to be published in a newspaper having circulation in the Town, a Notice of Public Hearings and a summary of the proposed budget estimates; and

***Whereas***, the Town Council held Public Hearings of the Board of Education proposed budget on April 24, 2025, and the General Government proposed budget on April 25, 2025, in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Charter of the Town of Montville.

***Now Therefore, Be it Resolved***, that the following budget on the estimated cost of current expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending on June 30, 2026, to be adopted as follows:

General Government	\$ 25,543,929.00
Board of Education	\$ 46,601,620.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 1,806,539.00
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	\$ 73,951,908.00

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution adopted.

- b. **Resolution #2025-46. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to amend the budget line-item by line-item.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution adopted.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease IT Maintenance (Line Item 10440-52055) in the Mayor's proposed budget by one thousand four hundred forty dollars (\$1,440.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease IT Hardware (Line Item 10440-52054) by one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) in the proposed budget. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to decrease Emergency Management Uniforms (Line Item 10810-53015) in the Mayor's proposed budget by four hundred dollars (\$400.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Emergency Management Training (Line Item 10810-53004) in the Mayor's proposed budget for two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Fire Marshall Training (Line Item 10830-53004) in the Mayor's proposed budget by five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to increase Fire Marshall Supplies (Line Item 10830-53038) in the Mayor's proposed budget by five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Fire Protection Equipment (Line Item 10880-53086) in the Mayor's proposed budget by twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00). Discussion: The item was moved to the Capital Budget. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Police Uniforms (Line Item 10820-53015) in the Mayor's proposed budget by four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00). Discussion: It was reported by the Montville Police Lieutenant to the Finance Committee that the funding is no longer necessary. Roll Call

vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Police Law Programs (Line Item 10820-53028) in the Mayor's proposed budget by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Police Radio Repairs (Line Item 10820-53030) in the Mayor's proposed budget by three hundred dollars (\$300.00). Discussion: The item was reviewed with the Police Lieutenant and based on the past trends, it was agreed to reduce the allocated amount. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Police Community Programs (Line Item 10820-53038) in the Mayor's proposed budget by eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00). Discussion: The funds are allocated from another line item in the budget. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Animal Control Salaries (Line Item 10850-51012) in the Mayor's proposed budget by thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00). Discussion: Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Dispatch Part-time Salaries (Line Item 10870-51070) in the Mayor's proposed budget by five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars. Discussion: The Police Department reported that there are no longer any part-time employees in the department and there are no intentions of hiring any. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Dispatch Overtime (Line Item 10870-51100) in the Mayor's proposed budget by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Public Works Overtime (Line Item 10910-51100) in the Mayor's proposed budget by three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Public Works Vehicle Expense Public Safety (Line Item 10910-53012) in the Mayor's proposed budget by ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). Discussion: The increase is due to the increased cost of police vehicle repairs. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Public Works Vehicle Expense Other (Line Item 10910-53013) in the Mayor's proposed budget by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Public Works Tires Public Safety (Line Item 10910-53036) in the Mayor's proposed budget by five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to decrease Public Works 14 Bridge Street Testing (Line Item 10910-53068) in the Mayor's proposed budget by two thousand six hundred dollars (\$2,600.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Memorial Day Parade (Line Item 10310-52150) in the Mayor's proposed budget by one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Board of Education (Line Item 10950-53051) in the Mayor's proposed budget by two hundred seventy-eight thousand dollars (\$278,000.00). Discussion: The funds were re-allocated from the Capital Budget to help the BOE bring back the teachers who were laid off. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

#### Revenue

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Line Item 10100-42012, Dog Services, in the Mayor's proposed budget by \$79,000.00 (seventy-nine thousand dollars). Discussion: The funds include the revenue received from the participating towns of Colchester (\$55,000.00), Bozrah (\$9,000.00), and Mohegan (\$15,000.00). Revenue received from the Town of Salem is already established. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Line Item 10100-43000, Investment Interest, in the Mayor's proposed budget by \$150,000.00 (one hundred fifty thousand dollars). Discussion: The amount includes the Towns' estimated return of its investments. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to increase Line Item 10100-43001, Solar Lease, in the Mayor's proposed budget by \$34,000.00 (forty-three thousand dollars). Discussion: A new line item was created to reflect the revenue received from the recently constructed solar field located at the Transfer Station. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

- c. **Resolution #2025-47. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to adopt the Town's five-year Capital Improvement Plan.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

- d. **Resolution #2025-48. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to amend the Capital Improvement Plan line-item by line-item.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to remove thirty-two thousand four hundred forty-six dollars (\$32,446.00) for Dock/Pier Tech in the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year, moved to LOCIP funds.

Discussion: While the term "remove" is being used for several of the line-item adjustments, the items were, in actuality, moved to a future fiscal year. The Dock/Pier Tech is being funded through the Town's LoCIP Grant Funds. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to add thirty-three thousand eight hundred forty dollars (\$33,840.00) for SCBA/Fire equipment in the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to remove nine thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars (\$9,918.00) for Mobile Radios in the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Southard, to add five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for Police Car in the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to remove one hundred and thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000.00) for Community Center Bathroom in the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion: Chairperson May stated the funds were moved to the FY2025/26 Capital Budget, and the project is in process; he ensured the public that the project will be completed. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to remove two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for Field Seven Drainage in the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to remove twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for Paving in the Capital Improvement Plan for the

2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to remove six hundred fifty-seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$657,200.00) for BOE Capital in the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion: The adjustment was negotiated and discussed with the BOE. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to approve all amendments to the main motion and to adopt the Town's five-year capital improvement plan in the total amount of \$64,076,961.00 (sixty-four million seventy-six thousand nine-hundred sixty-one dollars). Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard, to approve all amendments to the main motion and to adopt the 2025-2026 budget as follows:

General Government	\$ 25,559,189.00
Board of Education	\$ 46,879,620.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 745,635.00
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	\$ 73,184,444.00

Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

- e. **Resolution #2025-49. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to set the mil rate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year at 28.87 mils using at collection rate of 99.9%. Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: The mil rate reflects an increase of 1.1. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.
- f. **Resolution #2025-50. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize the appropriation of \$30,000.00 (thirty thousand dollars) from the Town of Montville's LoCIP Entitlement account for Senior Center improvements. Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, Yuchniuk, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.
- g. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize the transfer of \$20,000.00 (twenty thousand dollars) from account 10480-52164, Contingency for a generator at the new animal control shelter.  
*Item removed from the Agenda*
- h. **Resolution #2025-51. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the revised Resolution #2025-12 and Resolution #2025-38 entitled "Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Lease-Purchase Agreement to Acquire Equipment" (M-37) a copy of which Resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and to waive the reading of the entire resolution and to incorporate its full text into the minutes of the meeting. (Mayor Bunnell)

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Southard. Discussion: The revised Agreement includes a change in the financial institution from First National Bank to M&T, at the advice of the Town's Consultant and in the best interest of the Town. Roll Call vote, 4-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Southard, and May. Voting in Opposition: Councilor Yuchniuk. Motion carried.

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

Wills Pike, 71 Pheasant Run, Oakdale, BOE Chairperson, spoke on behalf of the Superintendent, who is ill, and the BOE, expressing the Board's appreciation of the reallocation of funds from the Capital Budget to the Operating Budget, enabling them to rehire the teachers who were recently laid off.

6. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor

Councilor Yuchniuk thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting and those who got involved by contacting them and making themselves heard.

Councilor Southard also thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting. Being the first time she has engaged in the budget process, she commented on an interesting learning experience and a very difficult and heartbreaking job. She was confident that they did their best for the Town of Montville.

Councilor Jaskiewicz apologized for his tardiness at the meeting because of a misunderstanding. He thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting and showing an interest and the BOE Chairperson for working with the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee worked hard and did their very best to keep the mil rate increase down in the best interest of the Town and its residents.

Councilor Caron also expressed his appreciation to the public for attending this evening's meeting, sending e-mails, and calling them to express their thoughts and concerns. He also thanked the Finance Committee, the BOE Chairperson, the Town Council Chairperson, and the Finance Director for working together and for their hard work and efforts. While it was a tough budget year, he suspected that the future years would be equally challenging.

Chairperson May stated the Town experienced a large growth in its Grand List, which is often relied upon to help balance the budget. Unfortunately, because of unfunded state mandates, e.g., Veterans Exemption and MSRP Vehicle Tax, which are good programs that benefit the residents, but are difficult for the town to absorb. Other challenges include the increased utility, fuel, and education costs and contract renegotiations. Luckily, with the Town's revenue streams and corrections made to pass-through items, they could lower the increase. While the Committee did their best, he warned that, because of revaluation, next year's budget will prove even more challenging. The Town continues to maintain a healthy Unassigned Fund Balance. Being sensitive to seniors and those in need, he aims to minimize, if not reduce, their taxes, while continuing to provide much-needed services. He expressed his appreciation to Finance Director Jule Chapman, Treasurer Patrick Wall, the Finance Department, and the Mayor's Executive Assistant Cindy Breton, as well as the Mayor for his guidance and expertise.

Mayor Bunnell stated that, while the mil rate increase is unfortunate, it was minimized with the help of the Finance Director, Treasurer, and his Administrative Assistant. There are approximately 1,400 unfunded state mandates in total. This year was especially difficult due to the other increases the Town faced. He urged the residents to reach out to their legislators and voice their concerns to help minimize the unfunded state mandates. He also thanked the BOE who worked equally hard to present a fair budget and acknowledged the hard work and efforts of the Chairperson May, who did an outstanding

job, and the Finance Department, without whom the mil rate increase would not have been minimized. He thanked everyone for attending this evening's meeting.

Councilor Caron commented on the unfairness of the unfunded state mandates, which are costing the Town thousands of dollars. He added that while the legislators introduce positive bills, they place unnecessary financial burdens on the town and its residents. He urged the residents to contact their legislators to voice their concerns, including the diversion of funds from the (casino) host towns to other towns.

Councilor Jaskiewicz added that, during his tenure as the Town's Mayor, he attended a meeting during which a representative from the City of Bridgeport questioned why they received significantly more funding through the state's casino funds than the host town and surmised that it was due to the number of votes candidates receive in any town or city. He reiterated Councilor Caron's urging to contact their legislators and voice their concerns.

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 5-0, 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**



**EXHIBIT A**

**TOWN OF MONTVILLE, CONNECTICUT**

**TOWN COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE  
PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE EQUIPMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Montville, Connecticut (the “Town”), desires to enter into a lease purchase financing for the acquisition of a US Fire Medium Duty Rescue Truck Pumper from US Fire Pump Company, LLC in the amount of \$611,654.00 (the “Equipment”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town desires to acquire the Equipment and enter into a lease purchase agreement with a financing institution or with M&T Bank and/or through its wholly owned subsidiary 233 Genesee Street Corporation (the “Lessor”) to finance the acquisition of such Equipment.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,**

1. That (i) the Mayor and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized to receive and review a proposal or proposals for the lease purchase financing of the Equipment, and make an award to the Lessor as the Mayor and the Director of Finance determine to be in the best interests of the Town, and (ii) the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a lease purchase agreement (the “Lease”) by and between the Town and the Lessor for the lease of the Equipment for a period of no more than ten (10) years, in such form and having such terms and details as determined by the Mayor and the Director of Finance, subject to the following limitations. The amount to be financed under the Lease shall be no greater than \$611,654.00 and payable in installments of principal and interest, the frequency of which to be determined by the Mayor and Director of Finance. At the conclusion of the term of the Lease, provided all the payments required under the Lease, including payments of rent, have been made, the Lessor’s interest in the Equipment shall terminate. Payments in respect of the Lease shall be subject to annual appropriations of the Town. The Lease shall include a “non-appropriation of funds” clause allowing for termination in the event that sufficient funds are not appropriated to make payments of rent and other amounts each fiscal year.

2. That the Mayor and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized to make such representations and covenants and to execute and deliver such contracts, financing statements, affidavits, agreements and documents, including but not limited to, an escrow agreement and a tax regulatory agreement, as are determined by the Mayor and the Director of Finance to be necessary or desirable to evidence and secure the Town’s obligations pursuant to the Lease, to ensure the interest paid on the Lease is exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and to finance the purchase of the Equipment, and that the execution of such contracts, financing statements, affidavits, agreements and documents shall be conclusive evidence of such determination.

3. That the Mayor or the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to appoint a bank or trust company to act as escrow agent in connection with the foregoing lease purchase transaction and to do or cause to be done any and all other acts and things necessary or proper to further the purposes of this resolution and the terms and obligations in respect of the Lease.

4. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the “Regulations”), to reimburse expenditures paid up to sixty days prior to and any time after the date of passage of this Resolution in an amount not to exceed \$611,654.00 for the Equipment with the proceeds of the Lease. The Lease shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the purchase of the Equipment, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Town hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Director of Finance or her designee is authorized to pay project expenses in accordance herewith pending the execution of the Lease.

5. Nothing contained in this Resolution, the Lease nor any other instrument shall be construed with respect to the Town as incurring a pecuniary liability or charge upon the full faith and credit of the Town or against its taxing power, nor shall the breach of any agreement contained in this Resolution, the Lease or any other instrument or document executed in connection therewith impose any pecuniary liability upon the Town or any charge upon its full faith and credit or against its taxing power, except to the extent that the payments payable under the Lease are special limited obligations of the Town as provided in the Lease.