

Town of Montville
Board of Assessment Appeals
Regular Meeting Minutes
Saturday, September 13, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.
Montville Town Hall

All owners of motor vehicles registered in the Town of Montville, CT are hereby warned that the Board of Assessment Appeals of the Town of Montville will meet in open session at the Montville Town Hall on Saturday, September 13, 2025 in Town Council Chambers commencing at 9:00 a.m. for the sole purpose of hearing appeals related to the assessment of motor vehicles.

All persons claiming to be aggrieved by the doings of the Assessor of the Town of Montville with regard to motor vehicle assessment on the Grand List of October 1, 2024 are hereby warned to make their appeal to the Board of Assessment Appeals at this meeting.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Present were Board Members Florence Turner and Gary Murphy. Absent were Board Members Richard Cenami and Sean Furlow.

3. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2025

Motion made by Board Member Murphy, seconded by Board Member Turner, to approve the Board of Assessment Appeals April 16, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes, with the following amendment:

Real Estate Property Appeal of Florence Turner

Motion made byVoice vote, ~~2-0, all in favor.~~ 1-0-1. Voting in Favor: Board Member Murphy. Voting in Opposition: None. Voting in Abstention: Board Member Turner. Motion carried.

Discussion: None. Voice vote, 1-0-1. Voting in Favor: Board Member Murphy. Voting in Opposition: None. Abstention(s): Board Member Turner.

4. To Consider and Act on a Motion to Hear Appeals related to the Assessment of Motor Vehicles on the Grand List of October 1, 2024.

Motion made by Board Member Turner, seconded by Board Member Murphy. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Murphy informed the Appellants that the Board of Assessment Appeals will be hearing the citizen's appeals this morning and no decisions will be made. A future meeting will be scheduled to discuss and act on the appeals. The Board is a governmental body that

works independently of the Town's other governmental bodies and staff; their decisions are based on the evidence they present and the state statutes.

5. To Consider and Act on a Motion to Act on Appeals related to the Assessment of Motor Vehicles on the Grand List of October 1, 2024.

Ray Meyer, 2000 Ford F550

Board Member Turner swore in Ray Meyer. Mr. Meyer stated that he is seeking a reduction in the assessed value of the vehicle. He was considering selling/trading the vehicle and received an offer of \$8,200.00 from Girard Ford for the dump bed. which was assessed at \$11,600.00, for which he was offered \$8,200.00 by Girard Ford. Additional documentation will be submitted.

Ray Meyer, 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan

Mr. Meyer stated that the vehicle is assessed for a higher value than its purchase price and the value indicated in the Kelly Blue Book. The vehicle also has high mileage and sustained cosmetic damage. Additional written documentation will be submitted.

Lynn Bouchard, 2006 Forest River Georgetown RV

Board Member Turner swore in Lynn Bouchard. Ms. Bouchard was seeking a reduction in the assessed value of the vehicle based on the JD Power & Associates' average retail price. She was informed that the assessed value of the RV, which is equipped with a 2006 Ford chassis and 2005 coach, is based on the value for a Ford F550.

Carla Chacho-Blanchard, 2006 Jeep Commander

Board Member Turner swore in Carla Chacho-Blanchard. Ms. Chacho-Blanchard was seeking a reduction in the assessed value of the vehicle, based on the Edmunds and Kelly Blue Book values.

Carla Chacho-Blanchard, 1995 Jeep Grand Cherokee

Ms. Chacho-Blanchard stated that, while the vehicle continues to be housed on her property, it has been sold for parts. The assessed value has doubled from the previous year

Carla Chacho-Blanchard, 2018 GMC Savannah

Ms. Chacho-Blanchard stated that the commercial vehicle is used very little. The vehicle was assessed in 2023 at \$15,415.00 and is currently assessed at \$19,210.00. She questioned the increase in the assessed values of the vehicles which are decreasing in value.

Linda Tomasek, 2006 Lincoln Town Car

Board Member Turner swore in Linda Tomasek. Ms. Tomasek stated that the Town Council recently voted to change the manner in which property is assessed to help increase the town's revenue. As a result, her taxes have more than doubled from the previous year. The assessed value of the vehicle is akin to the amount she paid to purchase the vehicle in 2018. She felt that seniors, who have a fixed income, should receive a reduction in their

taxes. Additionally, the vehicle is being assessed at a higher value than is stated in the Kelly Blue Book.

Dennis Duhamel, 2014 Mazda CX9

Board Member Turner swore in Dennis Duhamel. Mr. Duhamel was seeking a reduction in the assessed value of the vehicle which increased by over \$3,000.00 from the previous year, based on the mileage and condition of the vehicle.

2011 Subaru Legacy

Mr. Duhamel was also seeking a reduction in the assessed value of the vehicle, based on its mileage and condition.

6. To Consider and Act on a Motion to Set and Approve the 2026 Meeting Dates
Motion made by Board Member Turner, seconded by Board Member Murphy, to schedule the meeting of Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., to consider and act on the Appeals related to the Assessment of Motor Vehicles on the Grand List of October 1, 2024. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Board Member Turner, seconded by Board Member Murphy, to table the scheduling of the 2026 Meeting Dates. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.
7. Remarks from the Public – *none*
8. Remarks from the Board – *none*
9. Adjournment
Motion made by Board Member Murphy, seconded by Board Member Turner, to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 a.m. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Agnes T. Miyuki, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville