

**Town of Montville**  
**Town Administration/Rules & Procedures Standing Committee**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**April 27, 2026, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Montville Town Hall – Room 203**

1. Call to Order  
Chairperson Jaskiewicz called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call (Councilors Jaskiewicz, Novak, and Sabilia)  
Present were Councilors Joe Jaskiewicz and Rachael Novak. Absent was Councilor Nick Sabilia. Also present was Mayor Leonard Bunnell, Sr.

Alterations to the Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Novak, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to add the following item to the Agenda under Item 7, New Business:

7(d) Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Regulations

Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

4. Remarks from the Public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit  
Linda Tomaszek, P.O. Box 407, Montville, felt that the details regarding the Permanent Building Committee Ordinance were omitted from the Public Hearing announcement.  
  
Al Mandler, 3 Leisure Drive, Oakdale, expressed his concerns with the proposed Permanent Building Committee Ordinance, stating that there are items included and excluded in the Ordinance that violate the Town's Charter, including its lack of term limits (Article IV, §C410, Appointments and Removals). He suggested placing the maximum allowable term at five years.

Nicholas Manavas, 21 Oak Road, Oakdale, while appreciating the amendments, expressed his continued opposition to the proposed ATV Ordinance, stating that many of the items included in the Ordinance, e.g., riding on public roads, are already prohibited by state law. The Ordinance, he added, does not affect the (non-resident) offenders. Rather, it places additional rules and regulations, penalizing the law-abiding residents. Additionally, the Ordinance would result in very little revenue for the Town.

Daniel Sostre, 23-E Laurel Point Drive, Oakdale, echoed Mr. Manavas' comments.

Public Safety Commission Liaison Councilor Brian Baker reported that the Public Safety Commission unanimously supported the Ordinance. Based on his recollection, the primary issue with the public's opposition to the Ordinance was the Police Officers' ability to enter private property. The item, he stated, has since been removed. He expressed his passion for the Ordinance, having witness the death and dismemberment of children as a result of ATV

accidents, affecting not only the victim's family and friends, but also the first responders and those involved in the incident. He has also witnessed riders harassing residents and ignoring traffic signs. The Town is not seeking to remove an individual's enjoyment or recreation. Rather, they seek to ensure the public's safety.

*The Councilors invited the public to carefully review the amended document and express their concerns at the Public Hearing and/or submit written statements.*

5. Approval of:

a. The Regular Meeting Minutes of March 23, 2026

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Novak, to approve the Town Administration/Rules & Procedures Standing Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of March 23, 2026. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Unfinished Business – *none*

7. New Business

a. Wastewater Collection System Operator – Trainee Position Description

Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) Administrator Ron McDaniel presented the position description, which was reviewed by the Union and Human Resources Department. The WPCA initiated a student internship program with Norwich and Grasso Southeastern Technical High Schools. They wish to recruit and hire one of the students who has proved promising and establish a succession plan and training pipeline for certified operators.

**Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Novak, to approve and send the Wastewater Collection System Operator Trainee Position Description to the Town Council for review and approval. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.**

b. Ordinance Establishing a Permanent Building Committee

Discussion ensued regarding the public's comments during the Public Hearing. Mayor Bunnell stated that the Ordinance allows for two (2) members of the BOE and, per Public Act 24-151, Section 168, §10-292v, the Ordinance was amended to include the BOE Chairperson or designee. One of those members may include the Superintendent. He proposed increasing the number of members-at-large. The Councilors agreed, to set a term limit of five (5) years for the members-at-large.

**Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Novak, to approve and send the Ordinance establishing a Permanent Building Committee to the Town Council. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.**

c. All-Terrain Vehicles Ordinance

Chairman Jaskiewicz proposed approving and sending the Ordinance, as endorsed by the

Public Safety Commission, to the Town Council to set a Public Hearing date. He stated that the Ordinance would serve to improve the public's safety and protect their children from death and/or injury.

**Motion made by Councilor Novak, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to approve and send the All-Terrain Vehicles Ordinance to the Town Council. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.**

d. Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Regulations

The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed changes to the Regulations. Public Works/Solid Waste Standing Committee Chairperson Councilor Baker stated that a minor Scribner's error was corrected.

**Motion made by Councilor Novak, seconded by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to approve and send the Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Regulations to the Town Council for review and approval. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Motion carried.**

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

Nicholas Manavas, 21 Oak Road, Oakdale, clarified that they, too, are concerned with the safety of our children. He reiterated that the proposed ATV Ordinance includes items that are already prohibited by state law and does not address the issues, making the Ordinance unnecessary and further adding to the bureaucracy.

Daniel Sostre, 23-E Laurel Point Drive, Oakdale, echoed Mr. Manavas' comments and responded to a comment regarding the potential revenue, which would not increase the public's safety.

Councilor Baker stated that the proposed ATV Ordinance would provide local authorities with the ability to take action against offenders and protect the property owners.

Al Mandler, 3 Leisure Drive, Oakdale, stated that not all individuals will be pleased with the Councilors' actions; amendments to the proposed Ordinance may be made over time.

9. Remarks from the Councilors

Chairman Jaskiewicz thanked the public for attending the meeting and providing their comments.

10. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Novak, to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 2-0, all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.