

Town of Montville Town Council
Special Meeting Minutes
July 1, 2026, 5:00 p.m.
Montville Town Hall – Town Council Chambers

1. Call to Order
Chairperson May called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of our military
3. Roll Call
Present were Councilors Brian Baker, Billy Caron, Joseph Jaskiewicz, Tim May, Rachael Novak, and Nicholas Sabilia. Absent was Councilor Kate Southard.
4. Executive Session
 - a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining strategy and/or negotiations between the Town of Montville and the Montville Fire Fighters, IAFF Local 3386, such session to include members of the Town Council, Mayor Leonard Bunnell, Sr., and Town Labor Attorney Kristi D. Kelly.

Motion made by Councilor Jaskiewicz, seconded by Councilor Baker. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Invited parties exited Town Council Chambers for Executive Session at 5:01 p.m. Chairman May resumed the meeting at 5:42 p.m. No votes were taken during Executive Session.
5. New Business
 - a. To Consider and Act on a potential Motion to approve the funding necessary to implement a tentative agreement with the Montville Fire Fighters Local 3386 IAFF, for the term July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §7-474(b). (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 Baker, Caron, Jaskiewicz, Novak, Sabilia, and May. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion carried.
6. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit
Timothy Condon, Montville Professional Firefighters Association, 51 Gallup Lane, Waterford, thanked the Councilors for approving the funding, marking the first time since 2022 that negotiations/arbitration did not take place in court or otherwise. He expressed his hope for a more collaborative effort to improve the fire service through fiscally responsible solutions. He also stated the need for the institution of a Town-wide Fire Chief who develops and executes a plan and leads the fire companies. He thanked them again and expressed their willingness to work with those who also seek to improve their services.
7. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor
The Councilors thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their patience, hard work, and service.

Councilor Baker also expressed his confidence in the Firefighters/EMTs.

Councilor May also appreciated their understanding and for working with them.

Councilor Caron concurred, adding that their hard work and efforts are not unnoticed.

Councilor Jaskiewicz requested they keep up the good work and always stay safe.

Mayor Bunnell, aware of their job as essential workers and the dwindling of volunteers over the years, reiterated their appreciation.

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Baker, seconded by Councilor Novak, to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 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

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