

Town of Montville Public Safety Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, March 25, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.  
Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

**I. Call to Order**

Commissioner Jetmore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood and pledged the flag.

**3. Roll Call**

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Loiler, McNally, Moran, Wehner and Jetmore. Absent were Commissioners Allyn and Butterworth and Town Councilor Candy Buebendorf. Also present was Mayor Ron McDaniel.

**4. Amendments to the Agenda**

Commissioner McNally asked that agenda Item 11E and 11G be removed.

**5. Communications**

- a. Copies of monthly statistics reports from the Fire Marshal, Fire Departments, Police Department, Animal Control and Building Official.

Commissioner Jetmore asked G. Gathers whether she had been receiving the reports. Commissioner McNally agreed to email all parties regarding the same. Mayor McDaniel commented that it has been hectic at the police department particularly with the move and with Lt. Bunnell being away on vacation.

**6. Approval of the Regular Meeting minutes February 25, 2013; Special Meeting minutes of March 4, 2013; Special Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2013; Special Meeting minutes of March 13, 2013.**

Motion made by Commissioner McNally, seconded by Commissioner Moran to approve the minutes as submitted. Discussion, none; voice vote 5-0, all in favor; motion carried.

**7. Executive Session – None**

**8. Remarks from the Public**

Commissioner Jetmore asked three times for remarks from the public. There were none.

**9. Remarks from Department Heads**

Fire Marshal Occhialini reported there were 196 calls per fire department as follows: Montville (75), Mohegan (62), Chesterfield (12), Oakdale (39), and Out-of-Town (8). He also reported on a Montville/Mohegan incident, a passenger vehicle loss of \$1,200.

**10. Reports from Committees and Public Safety Liaisons - None**

**11. Unfinished Business**

- a. Discussion regarding construction of the Public Safety building.

Commissioner Jetmore commented on the recent Commission special meetings conducted in the Community Room at Public Safety building. Mayor McDaniel said that a policy is in place to schedule use of the room by contacting Sgt. Martinez, Linda Knott, Lt. Bunnell or him.

- b. Update regarding the Public Safety Plan.

Commissioner Jetmore stated that some meetings have been held that resulted in good input from department chiefs. He expects that it will take another month before a synopsis of the information will be completed.

- c. Status of firefighter position.

Commissioner McNally reported that meetings were held on two different nights regarding the candidates for the firefighter position. The candidates were narrowed down to three and the shortlist forwarded to Mayor McDaniel.

- d. Update on sergeant promotion.

Mayor McDaniel reported that all interviews and testing for the sergeant promotion has been done. He added that a grievance has been filed with the police union and once that has been settled the process will move forward.

- e. Update on collection of all departments' policies and procedures.

This item was removed from the agenda.

- f. Status of canine purchase.

Sgt. Martinez stated that he needed approval from Mayor McDaniel for purchase of the canine, a cost of \$2,300. Thereafter, he will send notice of interest to officers.

Motion made by Commissioner Loiler, seconded by Commissioner McNally for purchase of a police canine in the amount of \$2,300. Per discussion, Mayor McDaniel said that he was unsure whether he will submit a budget request for funds for priority training and other training. He added that the department is currently down one officer. Commissioner Jetmore stated that he would like to see a total of all costs associated with the canine purchase including modification of the vehicle. In response to Commissioner Moran's question, Sgt. Martinez said that the canine and officer will be a part of the patrol and on-call when no other duty officer or canine are available. He also said that there was no one available for the April canine training class; but there is a tentative seat in the upcoming September class.

g. Police capital budget.

This item was removed from the agenda.

12. New Business - None

13. Remarks from the Public

Commissioner Jetmore asked three times for remarks from the public. There were none.

14. Remarks from Mayor McDaniel

Mayor McDaniel thanked Sgt. Martinez and the Public Safety Building Committee for the tours at the Public Safety building for the recent Board of Education budget forum. Sixty name tags were given out on that day. He also reported on a recent safety incident that was deemed nondestructive.

15. Remarks from Town Council Liaison, Candy Buebendorf

Councilor Buebendorf was absent from the meeting.

16. Remarks from Commission members

Commissioner McNally wished all a nice Easter and/or Passover.

9. Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner McNally, seconded by Commissioner Loiler to adjourn the meeting. Discussion, none; voice vote 5-0; all in favor; motion carried.

Submitted by: Gloria J. Gathers/Recording Secretary