

Town of Montville Finance Committee

Special Meeting Minutes for

April 17, 2019

4:30 P.M.

Town Hall Room 203

Councilor Pike called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. He also led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilor McNally, Councilor Jaskiewicz and Finance Director Hart were also present.

Councilor Jaskiewicz moved, second by Councilor McNally, to approve the minutes of the 4/16/19 meeting. Motion passed.

The Committee met with the IT Director to review his budget. He explained that increases to his budget were due to budget cuts last year and increases in annual licensing and support fees. He anticipates the internet/cable line to go over budget in the current year but he is working to find a new solution in order to save money in the future. The Committee supported the capital improvement funding which includes the 911 Call Recorder, Public Safety Security Cameras, Town Website Redesign and Online Permitting Software. The Permitting Software is for the Building Department module. The IT Director will get a cost estimate on other modules and give this information to the Finance Director.

The Committee reviewed the Public Works budget with the PW Director. There was discussion regarding electricity and streetlights. The streetlight loan is now a separate line. They also talked about repairs to the dock, road restriping, signs, and markers. The Camp Oakdale budget was also reviewed. They also went over the Solid Waste budget. Councilor McNally moved, second by Councilor Jaskiewicz, to decrease the Equipment Maintenance & Repair line (10940-53021) by \$2,000. Motion carried.

The Public Works capital improvement plan was reviewed. There was a lengthy discussion about the construction trailer. Councilor Jaskiewicz moved, second by Councilor Pike, to approve \$29,000 for the purchase of a construction trailer. Councilor Jaskiewicz approved, Councilor McNally and Pike opposed; motion failed. The committee supports funding for two police cars, a custodian van, and an all season dump body. Funding also includes road paving and the Old Colchester Road Culvert replacement.

The Committee met with Lt. Radford and Sgt. Northrop to review the Police budget. The salary and overtime line items were reviewed. They explained there are three officers on duty per shift and they need two new hires to be at full staff of 26 officers. There was a lengthy discussion regarding weapons and ammunition. These funds are used for training and include a second qualification. The request also includes \$5,000 for new weapons. There may be sufficient funds

in the current budget to purchase the weapons. Councilor Jaskiewicz moved, second by Councilor Pike, to reduce the Weapons and Ammunition line (10820-53032) by \$5,400. Motion carried. The Committee also took action on the following: Councilor Pike moved, second by Councilor McNally, to reduce photo supplies (10820-53059) by \$500. Motion carried. Councilor Pike moved, second by Councilor McNally, to reduce Copy Supplies (10820-53003) by \$500 and remove the line item from the budget. Motion carried.

The Finance Director updated the committee on the Town Clerk Land Records. Councilor Jaskiewicz moved, second by Councilor McNally, to reduce this line (10560-53023) by \$2,000. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Theresa Hart, Director of Finance