Town Council Public Hearing Minutes February 11, 2019

Town of Montville Town Council **Public Hearing Minutes for February 11, 2019**

6:30 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

- 1. Call to Order Chairman McNally called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Roll Call

Present were Councilors Caron, Jaskiewicz, Pike, Pollard, Rogulski, and McNally. Also present was Mayor Ronald McDaniel.

TOWN OF MONTVILLE NOTICE OF ORDINANCE HEARING

The following Ordinance, copies of which may be obtained at the office of the Town Clerk during office hours, was introduced at a special meeting of the Town Council, held on February 11, 2019 and a public hearing thereon and for its consideration by the Town Council will be held at Town Hall Council Chambers, February 11, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAX FOR GOLD STAR PARENTS AND SPOUSES PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC ACT NO. 17-65

The Town of Montville hereby ordains to provide an Exemption from Property Tax for Gold Star Parents and Spouses Pursuant to the Provisions of Pubic Act No. 17-65

THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I - Pursuant to the provisions of Connecticut Public Act No. 17-65, any parent whose child was killed in action, or the surviving spouse of any person who was killed in action, while performing active military duty with the armed forces, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103 of the General Statues, which parent or surviving spouse is a resident of the Town of Montville, shall be entitled to an exemption to be applied to the assessed value of property in an amount of up to \$10,000 effective as of the assessment year commencing October 1, 2019 or in an amount up to ten (10%) percent of the assessed value, whichever is the lesser, provided the qualifying income of such surviving parent or spouse does not exceed the maximum amount applicable to an unmarried person as provided in section 12-81 of the General Statutes, plus twenty five thousand dollars.

SECTION 2 - A) If both parents of any such child killed in action while performing active military duty with the armed forces are domiciled together, only one such parent shall be entitled to an exemption from the property tax provided for under this section.

B) The exemption provided for under this section shall be in addition to any exemption to which an eligible parent or surviving spouse may be entitled under section 12-81 of the General Statues. No such eligible parent or surviving spouse entitled exemption under section 12-81f or 12-81g of the General Statues in this section shall receive more than one exemption.

SECTION 3 A) Any parent whose child was killed in action, or the surviving spouse of a person killed in action, while performing active military duty with the armed forces and who claim an exemption from taxation under this section shall give notice to the Town Clerk of the Town of Montville that he or she is entitled to such an exemption and as set forth in Public Act 17-65, as amended.

B) Any such parent or surviving spouse submitting a claim for such an exemption shall be required to file an application, on a form prepared for such purpose by the assessor, not later than the assessment date with respect to which such exemption is claimed, which application shall include at least two (2) affidavits of disinterested persons showing that the deceased child or person was performing such active military duty, that such deceased child or person was killed in action while performing such active military duty and relationship of such deceased child of such parent, or such deceased person to such surviving spouse, providing the assessor may require such parent or surviving spouse to be examined by the assessor under oath concerning such facts. Each such application shall include a copy of such parents or surviving spouses federal income tax return, or in the event such a return is not filed such evidence relating to income as may be required by the assessor, for the tax year of such parent or surviving spouse ending immediately prior to the assessment date with respect to which such exemption is claimed.

SECTION 4 - This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its adoption.

Katie Sandberg, Montville Town Clerk

Chairman McNally recited the Public Notice and Ordinance and asked if there was anyone present from the public who would like to speak regarding the proposed ordinance. There were no comments.

4. Adjournment Motion made by Councilor Rogulski, seconded by Councilor Pollard, to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Mari E. Evans, Recording Clerk Town Council, Montville, CT