Town of Montville Town Council Regular Meeting Agenda August 9, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

** AMENDED 08/06/2021**

All persons in attendance must wear a face mask if not fully vaccinated and remain six feet from others.

Comments will only be accepted at times designated for public comment by the Chair of the meeting. The Montville Town Council Rules of Procedure, decorum, timeliness and suitability shall be followed and enforced.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of our military.
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Special Recognitions/Presentations
- 5. Alterations to the Agenda
- 6. To Consider and Act on a Motion to Approve:a. The Regular Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2021
- 7. Executive Session
 - a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the Economic Development Commission, Montville Housing Authority, and Planning & Zoning Commission. Discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Ronald McDaniel.
 - b. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the agreement between the Town of Montville and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut. Discussions to include members of the Town Council, Mayor Ronald McDaniel, and Attorney Matt Willis.
- 8. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit
- 9. Communications
 - a. Copy of the July 2021 Financial Reports from Terry Hart, Finance Director
 - b. Copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of May 2021
 - c. Copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of June 2021
- 10. Report from the Town Attorney on Matters Referred
- 11. Remarks from the Mayor and/or Administrative Department Heads to include Matters Referred
- 12. Reports from Standing Committees
 - a. Town Administration/Rules of Procedure Councilor Jaskiewicz
 - b. Finance Councilor Jaskiewicz
 - c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal Councilor Caron
- 13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors
 - a. Councilor Bunnell: Public Safety Commission, Youth Services Bureau

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- b. Councilor Caron: Commission on Aging, Social Services
- c. Councilor Jaskiewicz: Board of Education
- d. Councilor May: Water Pollution Control Authority, Conservation Commission, Economic Development Commission
- e. Councilor Pollard: Non-Profit Organizations
- f. Councilor Rix: Parks & Recreation Commission, Farmer's Market Committee, Planning & Zoning Commission
- g. Councilor Rogulski: Library Committee, Fire Fighters Relief Fund
- 14. Appointments and Resignations
 - a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to re-appoint Jessica LeClair to the Inland Wetlands Commission with a term to expire on September 17, 2025.
 - b. To Consider and Act on a motion to accept the resignation of Timothy Sullivan from the Housing Authority effective immediately.
 - c. To Consider and Act on a Motion to accept the resignation of Christopher DiNoto from the Conservation Commission effective immediately
 - d. To Consider and Act on a Motion to remove Zachary Sweeney-Lespier from the Conservation Commission effective immediately
 - e. To Consider and Act on a Motion to appoint Jeffrey Carver to fill a vacancy as a Regular Member of the Conservation Commission with a term to expire on April 9, 2022.
- 15. Unfinished Business none
- 16. New Business
 - a. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES approve the Agreement Concerning Road Discontinuance, Property Transfer, And Snow Removal Obligations and authorize Mayor Ronald McDaniel is authorized to execute any and all documents related thereto. (Mayor Ronald McDaniel)
 - b. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** that the land now commonly known as the Mostowy Property be dedicated permanently to public use for open space, passive recreation and conservation purposes. (Councilor May)

WHEREAS, the Town's current (2010) Plan of Conservation and Development identified certain land, known as the Mostowy Property, for future acquisition as open space land;

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2018, the Planning and Zoning Commission favorably reviewed such acquisition following referral by the Town Council, and on August 20, 2018 the Town Council voted to purchase said land;

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2018 the Town acquired the Mostowy Property by deed recorded at Volume 628, Page 121 of the Montville land records.

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2021, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted to recommend to the Town Council that it formally resolve that the property be opened to public use for passive recreation; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2021, the Conservation Commission voted to recommend that the Town Council resolve to dedicate the Mostowy Property to passive recreation and conservation uses only, with development limited to trails for walking, jogging or non-motorized bicycling, under land management practices consistent with passive recreation and conservation purposes, the 2010 Montville Plan of Conservation and Development, and the purposes for which the property was acquired;

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that the Mostowy Property has important open space value for passive recreation and conservation purposes, and should be preserved and maintained as such in perpetuity for use and enjoyment by the public.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

- 1. That the real property known as the Mostowy Property, located on Route 163 and known as Assessor Map 46, Lot 66, is hereby dedicated permanently as a public park, to be managed as open space for conservation purposes and the following passive recreation uses and activities only:
 - a. Walking, hiking, jogging, nature observation, and non-motorized bicycling;
 - b. Such similar passive recreation uses as are mutually recommended by both the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Conservation Commission, provided they do not diminish the open space and conservation values.
- 2. That trails and open spaces may be established and maintained in accordance with plans jointly approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Conservation Commission, consistent with this Resolution and their respective powers.
- 3. That all such uses and activities may be in accordance with rules and hours of access as may be established by the Parks and Recreation Commission, in consultation with the Conservation Commission, and not inconsistent with this Resolution.
- 4. That the Town Attorney is hereby authorized to record a copy of this Resolution on the Montville land records.
- 17. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit
- 18. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor
- 19. Adjournment