

**Town of Montville Town Council  
Special Meeting Minutes for February 24, 2010  
7:00 PM – Town Hall – Room 102**

1. Call to Order – Chairperson Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
  2. Pledge of Allegiance
  3. Roll Call – Present were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Hillman, Jacobson and McFee. Also present was Mayor Jaskiewicz. Absent were Councilors Caron and Murphy.
  4. Executive Session – None.
  5. Remarks from the Public – Mr. David Rowley, Chairman of the Board of Education, joined the meeting, per an invitation by Chairperson Jacobson. Mr. Rowley stated that he supports the Council’s desire to create goals, and suggested that both short term and long term goals be created; short term goals to achieve within the two year period that the present Council is in term, and long term goals that will carry over into a new Council that will concentrate on issues that may not be feasible to achieve within the short period of the present Council’s term. Mr. Rowley stated that he is open to working with the Council to create these goals if his assistance is needed. In doing so, Mr. Rowley stated that he would be working to achieve the Board of Education’s goal to build and maintain a working relationship with the Town Council.
  6. Communications – None.
  7. New Business:
    - A. **Motion** by Councilor Hillman, Second by Councilor Buebendorf to go into a committee of the whole to open discussion for the purpose of developing a list of Goals and correlating Initiatives for the Town of Montville Town Council. **Voice Vote:** In Favor; Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Hillman, Jacobson and McFee. Opposed; None. **Motion Carried 5-0. Discussion:** Chairperson Jacobson stated that she would like to begin this process by agreeing on a list of short term goals to work off of. Councilor Buebendorf agreed that beginning with the short term goals is a great idea, but that the Council should maybe incorporate the long term goals in a Mission Statement. Mayor Jaskiewicz stated that developing long term goals is a great idea in terms of having a vision. One issue that may be considered as a long term goal is developing a plan to deal with seeking out an independent water source for the town in order to move away from paying Groton or any other town for water. Chairperson Jacobson also stated that it is good to start thinking ahead to the long term goals, especially in the area of increased Economic Development, which will ultimately bring forth the need for expansion of Rte. 32 to accommodate increased traffic.

Preliminary List of Town Council Goals:

      - 1) Economic Development
      - 2) Social / Recreation
      - 3) Cultural / Historical / Open Space Preservation
      - 4) Public Safety
      - 5) Streamline / Transparency of Government
      - 6) Infrastructure
      - 7) Education

A brief discussion was held on what should be contained in the Mission Statement, with the following items suggested:

      - 1) Quality of Life
      - 2) Fiscal Responsibility
8. Remarks from the Public – Mr. Rowley thanked the Council for inviting him to join this meeting and is looking forward to assisting the Council during this process.
9. Remarks from Councilors – Both Mayor Jaskiewicz and Councilor Buebendorf expressed their excitement in beginning this process and look forward to creating and working together to achieve the goals being set. Chairperson Jacobson thanked everyone for being open to participating in this process, and she is looking forward to working together to get the goals set and working together to achieve such goals.
10. Adjournment – **Motion** made by Councilor Hillman, Second by Councilor Buebendorf, to adjourn the meeting. **Voice Vote:** In Favor; Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Hillman, Jacobson and McFee. Opposed; None. **Motion Carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Montville Town Council