

Town of Montville Town Council
Regular Meeting Agenda
August 14, 2023, 7:00 p.m.
Montville Town Hall – Town Council Chambers

**** AMENDED 08/11/2023 ****

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 10, 2023
 - b. The Special Meeting Minutes of August 3, 2023
7. Executive Session
 - a. To Consider and Act on a Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing candidate for the Niantic River Watershed Committee and Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority. Discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Ronald McDaniel.
8. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three-minute limit
9. Communications
 - a. Copy of the July 2023 Financial Reports from Finance Director Barbara Griffin
 - b. Copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of June 2023
 - c. Copy of the legal bills from Halloran & Sage for the month of June 2023
 - d. Copy of the Governance Communication Audit Planning Letter from Auditor Stephen Gross, Clifton Larson Allen LLP
 - E. Copy of an invitation letter from Laurie Pallin, Superintendent of Schools, to the August 28 Welcome Back Convocations
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
 - b. Finance
 - c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal
13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors
 - a. Councilor Bunnell: Library Committee, Parks & Recreation Commission, Volunteer Fire Fighters' Relief Fund
 - b. Councilor Caron: Commission on Aging, Social Services, Non-Profit Organizations
 - c. Councilor Mandler: Water Pollution Control Authority, Ad-Hoc Covid-19 Impact Study Committee
 - d. Councilor May: Conservation Commission
 - e. Councilor Rix: Board of Education, Farmers Market Committee, Planning & Zoning Commission
 - f. Councilor Yuchniuk: Economic Development Commission, Public Safety Commission, Youth Services Bureau and Advisory Board

14. Appointments and Resignations

- a. To Consider and Act on a motion to waive the waiting period for appointments, Rule 14C of the Town Council Rules of Procedure, for the Niantic River Watershed Committee and Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority.
- b. To Consider and Act on a Motion to appoint William Pieniadz to the Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority with a term to expire on August 14, 2025.
- c. To Consider and Act on a Motion to appoint Nathan Hermann to fill a vacancy on the Niantic River Watershed Committee with a term to expire on February 12, 2024.
- d. To Consider and Act on a Motion to accept the resignation of Brian Quinn from the Water & Sewer Commission, effective August 7, 2023.

15. Unfinished Business

16. New Business

- a. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to review and approve the revised Position Description for the Social Services Specialist, as recommended by the Town Administration/Rules & Procedures Standing Committee. (Councilor Yuchniuk)
- b. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to review and approve the revised Position Description for the Zoning/Wetlands Officer, as recommended by the Town Administration/Rules & Procedures Standing Committee. (Councilor Yuchniuk)
- c. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** that Mayor Ronald McDaniel be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract for 420 units of foot care for seniors totaling \$11,999.40 (Eleven thousand nine hundred ninety-nine dollars and forty cents) between the Town of Montville and the Senior Resources Agency on Aging, Inc., and further, to approve the Mayor to execute any and all documents that may be necessary. (Mayor Ronald McDaniel)
- d. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** that Mayor Ronald McDaniel be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract for 1,620 units of medical transportation service for seniors totaling \$24,526.80 (Twenty-four thousand five hundred twenty-six dollars and eighty cents) between the Town of Montville and the Senior Resources Agency on Aging, Inc., and further, to approve the Mayor to execute any and all documents that may be necessary. (Mayor Ronald McDaniel)
- e. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** that Mayor Ronald McDaniel be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract for 3,744 units of mental health counseling service for seniors totaling \$22,464 (Twenty-two thousand four hundred sixty-four dollars) between the Town of Montville and the Senior Resources Agency on Aging, Inc., and further, to approve the Mayor to execute any and all documents that may be necessary. (Mayor Ronald McDaniel)
- f. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** that Mayor Ronald McDaniel be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract for support for the homemaker program for seniors totaling \$18,200.00 (Eighteen thousand two hundred dollars) between the Town of Montville and the Senior Resources Agency on Aging, Inc., and further, to approve the Mayor to execute any and all documents that may be necessary. (Mayor Ronald McDaniel)
- g. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to adopt the 2022 Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan as developed by the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments and approved by FEMA. (Mayor Ronald McDaniel)

WHEREAS, the Town of Montville has historically experienced severe damage from natural hazards and it continues to be vulnerable to the effects of those natural hazards profiled in the plan (e.g. flooding, extreme heat, droughts, severe storms such as

thunderstorms and winter storms, dam failures, wildfires, and earthquakes) resulting in loss of property and life, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Montville Town Council approved the previous versions of the Hazard Mitigation Plan in 2005, 2012, and 2018; and

WHEREAS, Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments, of whom the Town of Montville is a member, has determined that climate change is affecting the frequency and severity of some hazards and therefore elected to expand the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update to become a Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, committee meetings were held and public input was sought in 2022 regarding the development and review of the Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the Plan specifically addresses hazard mitigation and climate adaptation strategies and Plan maintenance procedures for the Town of Montville; and

WHEREAS, the Plan recommends several hazard mitigation actions that will provide mitigation for specific natural hazards that impact the Town of Montville, with the effect of protecting people and property from loss associated with those hazards while adapting to the effects of climate change; and

WHEREAS, Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments has developed and received conditional approval from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for its Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan Update under the requirements of 44 CFR 201.6; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Plan will make the Town of Montville eligible for funding to alleviate the impacts of future hazards; now therefore be it

RESOLVED by the Town Council:

1. The Plan is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Town of Montville;
 2. The respective officials identified in the mitigation strategy of the Plan are hereby directed to pursue implementation of the recommended actions assigned to them;
 3. Future revisions and Plan maintenance required by 44 CFR 201.6 and FEMA are hereby adopted as a part of this resolution for a period of five (5) years from the date of this resolution.
 4. An annual report on the progress of the implementation elements of the Plan shall be presented to the Town Council.
- h. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize Mayor Ronald McDaniel to execute the Agreement Between the Town of East Lyme and the Town of Montville Concerning Private Duty Assignments. (Mayor Ronald McDaniel)
 - i. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to replace a sign at 836 Chesterfield Road, Oakdale, with either Fair Oak's Home of Montville Youth Service Bureau and Parks & Recreation Annex or Fair Oaks Community Center. (Councilor McNally)
 - j. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to acknowledge receipt of the Governance Communication Audit Planning Letter from Auditor Stephen Gross of Clifton Larson Allen LLP. (Councilor McNally)

17. Remarks from the Public with a three-minute limit

18. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor

19. Adjournment