

Town of Montville Finance Committee

Special Meeting Minutes for
April 9, 2024
Room 203 6:00 PM

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Present were Councilors May and Lathrop. Finance Director Barbara Griffin was present. Also present, Public Works Director John Carlson, Rec Director Peter Bushway, Fire Marshal Paul Barnes, Superintendent Laurie Pallin, BOE Chair Wills Pike. Also present Mayor Bunnell.
2. Remarks from the Public: none
3. Minutes: none to approve
4. Agenda items as follows:

The 2024-25 Town Capital was discussed and the following items considered:

A letter from the Assessor noted that the Town has an upcoming Revaluation. There is not enough information to determine whether funding needs to be set aside in this budget so no action is being taken.

The IT request for \$120,000 for Council Streaming is being moved to the FY 2025-26 budget year in order to gather more information.

For Rec Commission capital request, the \$400,000 for large pavilion was removed. The \$300,000 for Basketball Court reconstruction was reduced to \$200,000 and approved for inclusion in LoCIP. The \$75,000 for Desjardians Park Courts was reduced to \$35,000 and approved for inclusion in LoCIP. The \$30,000 for Desjardians Park Playscape was also approved for inclusion in LoCIP.

For Public Works Capital, leave \$90,000 for Tenco Body; leave \$260,000 for Plow Truck; request for five Police Cars was reduced to three to be funded at \$65,000 per vehicle, IT cost for three vehicles totals \$39,486; moved \$972,000 for Town Hall Roof to FY 25-26; leave in \$130,000 for Community Center Bathrooms; road paving reduced from \$400,000 to \$100,000; Public Works Office Upgrade for \$100,000 moved to FY 25-26 and may recommend for bonding; Fire Marshal Truck for \$75,000 moved to FY 25-26; for two plow trucks budgeted for FY 27-28 totaling \$560,000 made recommendation to move one to FY25-26 and consider for bonding, and leave one in FY 27; recommended moving the following to FY 25-26 and consider for bonding, Town Hall trim painting and brick work for \$300,000, Town Hall Boiler for \$300,000, and Town Hall Oil Tank for \$80,000. Include \$38,400 for Robotic Field Lining Machine in Public Works Capital in FY 25-26.

In Police Protection capital, the Vests for \$20,000 were left in the budget.

Fire Marshal request for Radio System Upgrade for \$65,508 was removed. This should be included in the whole Fire Protection request for system upgrade. The \$21,140 for Replacement of Town AEDs was increased to \$24,140 to include purchase of one more AED.

In Fire Protection budget, \$350,000 was approved for inclusion in LoCIP for Radios System Upgrade.

For BOE Capital, leave in \$278,000 for bus replacement and \$115,000 for Van Replacement; the \$381,100 for Palmer Roof replacement budgeted in FY 25-26 will be considered for bonding; the following items were left in for funding: Tyl wireless project for \$36,800, MHS Track Resurfacing for \$145,000 and Tyl Replacement of Sump Tank for Grease Separator for \$22,275.

Update from Finance Director: no further comments

Remarks from the public: none

Update from Councilors: none

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM