

Town of Montville Town Council
Regular Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, October 12, 2011
7:00 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Jacobson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. after establishing a quorum.

2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor and support of our troops.

3. Roll Call

Present were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson. Also present was Mayor Jaskiewicz and Attorney Lisa Gladke from Shipman and Goodwin, LLP for Town Attorney Bruce Chudwick.

4. Special Recognitions/Presentations

a. Presentations to Councilor Beetham for his years of service to the Town of Montville.

Mayor Jaskiewicz presented Councilor Beetham with an Official Citation for forty two years of dedicated service to the Town of Montville on behalf of Senator Edith G. Prague, 19th District, Representative Kevin Ryan, 139th District, Representative Elizabeth Ritter, 38th District, Senator Andrea Stillman, 20th District and Representative Tom Reynolds, 42nd District in recognition of many years of dedicated service to the Town of Montville. The Citation wishes Councilor Beetham very best wishes in the future and hopes for continued success dated September 9, 2011.

Councilor Beetham thanked Mayor Jaskiewicz and accepted the Official Citation and stated it has been a privilege to serve the Town of Montville over the years.

b. Presentations from Councilor Murphy to Firefighter Chief Bryce Wilkens, Lt. Michael Butterworth, Firefighter James Brown, Firefighter David Swinburne and Firefighter Eric Majewski and Timothy Congdon for bravery and a presentation to Firefighters David Leonard and Herbert Hicks and Police Officer Gregg Jacobson.

Councilor Murphy stated shortly after 9:00 a.m. on December 23, 2009 the Town of Montville 911 received a call from Mr. Robert Tyrcek reporting he heard someone yelling for help in the swamp behind his house. The Chesterfield and Oakdale fire departments were dispatched to the area of 442 Fire Street for reported person stuck in a swamp. The weather that day was sunny and clear and the temperature was nineteen degrees with a wind chill favor of six degrees with wind gusts reaching thirty five miles per hour. Upon arrival the victim's exact location was not known and a search and rescue team was formed consisting of Deputy Chief Bryce Wilkens, Lt. Michael Butterworth, firefighter James Brown, firefighter David Swinburne, firefighter David Leonard, firefighter Herbert Hicks and Police Officer Gregg Jacobson. The team entered the wooded area and immediately came upon a large stream. A roof ladder was used to bridge this stream and allow the rescue team to cross. Shortly after, another much larger stream appeared and the decision was made to have all but three of the rescuers return to the command post as their attire was not appropriate for the weather conditions. Mr. Butterworth, Mr. Brown and Mr. Wilkens continued on with the search. While using the victim's voice as the beacon, the three

rescuers trudged through the thick underbrush, icy water conditions, briars and pockets of freezing thick cold mud for at least two hundred yards and after about forty five minutes the victim was found submerged up to his waist in icy cold water and was immediately removed from the water. Both the victim and the rescuers were wet and cold and the rescue team could see and emergency vehicle (M400) and told the incident commander they would be exiting the swamp toward that vehicle. At his time Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Condon and Mr. Majewski entered the woods/swamp from the intended exit path bringing the ladder and stokes basket. The victim was placed in the stokes basket and wrapped in blankets, and the now six rescuers were completely soaked, cold and exhausted as they started to drag the victim through the snow, thick underbrush and icy cold water. Several streams were encountered along the way and each time a ladder was used to bridge the water to allow the stokes basket to slide across so the victim would not get wet, and the rescuers were in the icy cold water guiding the basket across. This was repeated for at least a hundred yards or so until the rescuers crossed the last body of water prior to exiting the woods. This took approximately forty minutes. Once out of the swamp area, one last obstacle remained a thirty foot hill at a seventy five degree angle. A rope was lowered and was attached to a stokes stretcher, this stretcher was raised by both firefighters on the road as well as the six rescuers who now were numb from the wet and cold conditions. Once at the street level, the victim was placed in the Oakdale Fire Department ambulance and transported to Life Star helicopter waiting at Tyl Middle School. The victim was flown via Life Star to Hartford Hospital for treatment and there were no injuries to any of the rescuers on that day. Councilor Murphy presented awards to each of the Firefighters and Police Officers for their life saving efforts on December 23, 2009 and thanked them for their heroism and service to the Town of Montville. He stated a man's life was saved because of their efforts and stated the awards are well deserved.

Mr. Hix and Mr. Swinberg were not present to accept their accommodations but will receive them at a later date.

Mayor Jaskiewicz thanked all of the Police Officers and Firefighters for everything they do every day, stating the town is fortunate to have such dedicated individuals.

Motion made by Councilor Hillman, seconded by Councilor Beetham to take a five minute recess. Discussion, none, voice vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried and recess began at 7:20 p.m. and Chairperson Jacobson resumed the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

5. Alterations to the Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Hillman, seconded by Councilor Caron to add/amend the following items for the agenda;

- a. Agenda item 7(a) add the interview for Parks & Recreation Commissioner Eileen Cicchese;
- b. Change the wording for agenda item 14 (d) to reflect the waiving of Section 14 (c) of the Rules and Procedures in order to appoint Ms. Eileen Cicchese to the Parks & Recreation Commission;
- c. add agenda item 16 (i) **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to accept and authorize the settlement concerning the matter before the New London Superior Court identified as Docket No. KNL CV #4007128S "Leonard T. Lathrop vs. Town of Montville";
- d. add agenda item 16 (j) **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to accept and authorize the settlement concerning the matter before the New London Superior Court identified as Docket No KNL CV 400858S, "H,J, & W Associates vs. Town of Montville".

Voice vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried, and agenda amended.

6. To consider and act on a motion to approve;
 - a. the regular meeting minutes of September 12, 2011;

Motion made by Councilor Hillman, seconded by Councilor Caron, discussion, none, voice vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried.

- b. and special meeting minutes of September 12, 2011.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Beetham, discussion, none, voice vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried.

7. Executive Session

- a. To consider and act on a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of conducting interviews with the following people for Boards and/or Commissions; Ms. Allyson Schmeizl to the Youth Advisory Board; Mr. Charles O'Bday to the Commission on the Aging, Ms. Eileen Cicchese to the Parks & Recreation Commission and Mr. Gary Allyn to the Uncas Health District. Executive Session discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Jaskiewicz.

Motion made by Councilor Hillman, seconded by Councilor Caron, discussion, none, voice vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried and invited members left Chambers for executive session at 7:29 p.m., returning at 7:49 p.m. Chairperson Jacobson resumed the meeting and stated no formal votes were taken during the executive session.

8. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three minute limit.

Ms. Linda Jean, 1583 Route 163 #8, Oakdale stated she hopes the Council can make it through their last meeting together before the election without arguing like they did at the previous Council meeting. She stated she hopes they take the advice of Chairperson Jacobson and get through the meeting in a civil manner.

Fire Marshal, Ray Occhialini congratulated Councilor Beetham on his many years of service to the town. He discussed agenda item 16(e) and encouraged the Council to vote to accept the equipment as it is at no cost to the town and will be beneficial to the town. He explained if the town was to purchase this equipment it would be approximately five thousand dollars to do so.

Lt. Bunnell, Montville Police Department discussed agenda item 16 (f), stating the SRO position has been reviewed and approved by the Union, Public Safety Commission and Board of Education and he encouraged the Council to approve the job description as it will serve the town well.

Chairperson Jacobson asked three times if there was anyone from the public who would like to come forward to address the Council.

9. Communications

- a. The monthly statistics report of activity from the Fire Marshal;
 - b. The monthly statistics report of activity from the Police Department.
 - c. A copy of the draft School Resource Officer job description approved by the Public Safety Commission at its September meeting.
 - d. The monthly finance report from the Finance Director.

- e. The August, 2011 legal bills from Shipman & Goodwin, LLP.
- f. A memo from Shannon Rittner to Ms. Beth Missios regarding a DEP LEEF Award.
- g. A letter dated September 20, 2011 from Nicolette A. White to the Montville Town Council regarding change of electrical service.

10. Report from the Town Attorney on Matters Referred.

Attorney Gladke stated she did not have anything to report to the Council.

11. Remarks from the Mayor and/or Administrative Department Heads to include Matters Referred.

Mayor Jaskiewicz stated this is his ninety sixth meeting with the Town Council and it has been a great pleasure to serve the Town of Montville over the past eight years as Mayor and he thanked everyone for their support over the years. He discussed the work ongoing on Route 32 and 163, stating the contractors have until November 15th to complete the job per the State contract. He discussed a meeting he and the Public Works Director had with the City of Norwich regarding the Montville Road Bridge repairs. The City of Norwich agrees with the concept but has requested a cost analysis for repairs before committing. He encouraged the Council to approve the School Resource Officer job description and discussed a ceremony for Police Officers scheduled for October 27th between 6:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. followed by a reception. He thanked the Fire Marshal for submitting the grant for the equipment and encouraged the Council to approve the resolution so he can accept it. He thanked his staff and all the employees he works with on a daily basis for all their help and support over the years.

12. Reports from Standing Committees.

- a. Town Administration/Rules of Procedure

Councilor Hillman stated the committee met last month and is working on the Mayor's Assistant job description. She stated there is disparity between the job description that she received from the Mayor's office and the one that the Council approved so the document will need more work before it can be forwarded to the Council for approval.

- b. Finance

Councilor Murphy stated the Finance Committee met and the Capital Improvement item is on the agenda for discussion. He discussed the FEMA money dispersed for storm damage and stated Public Works continues to clean up the debris throughout the town after hours. He stated the Finance Committee is looking into recording their meetings in the future and has met with the Town's IT Professional for the equipment to do so.

- c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal

Councilor McFee stated the committee met and discussed various issues including the disposal of Town property. He inquired if the Finance Director has had the opportunity to look into a policy to avoid having to wait long periods of time before disposing of property and Ms. Hart stated she will look into it.

13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors

- a. Planning & Zoning Commission & Library Committee

Councilor Beetham stated the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting was cancelled this month and the Library Committee did not meet. He stated the Planning & Zoning Commission may have to hold a public hearing to discuss new responsibilities for developers from the State Legislature.

b. Parks & Recreation Commission & Public Safety Commission

Councilor Buebendorf stated Parks & Recreation discussed Summer Camp, the need for clarification for the Special Revenue accounts and the upcoming Trick or Trunk event scheduled for Halloween. The Public Safety Commission held a special meeting to hear a presentation from the Town's liability carrier last month and it was very informative. She encouraged the Council to approve the School Resource Officer's job description, stating the Public Safety Commission voted unanimously to approve it. She stated Lt. Bunnell spoke to the Public Safety Commission last month regarding the replacement of firearms in the near future and he introduced and welcomed the new Resident State Trooper. She stated the Chief of the Chesterfield Fire Company is requesting a new hire to cover shifts that are currently being covered by overtime.

c. Commission on the Aging, Economic Development Commission, Social Services & Youth Services Bureau & Advisory Board

Councilor Caron stated Youth Services held their annual pancake breakfast and Halloween social and the topic of the month is positive family interaction. He stated the Senior Citizens Safety Zone proposal did not pass the House and he is disappointed with this outcome. He welcomed Kathy Dougherty Peck back to work after a leave, stating she was missed.

Mr. Chuck Longton, member of the Economic Development Commission was present to give the Council and update regarding activity of the EDC over the past months. He stated they have been working on tourism tours that are approximately one hour in length that tour the historical areas of town. He discussed a program that the Commission is trying to get out to the public that distributes funds from the Government to stimulate local businesses to hire, stating most people do not know this money is available. He hopes to set up a seminar and to invite the local businesses to attend.

d. Volunteer Fire Fighters Relief Fund & Community Center Building Committee & Regional Dispatch Committee

Councilor McFee stated he did not have anything to report.

e. Board of Education

Councilor Murphy stated the Board of Education met and they are in favor of the School Resource Officer job description and hope the Council passes it so they can move forward.

f. Water and Sewer Commission & Non-Profit Organizations

Councilor Hillman stated the WPCA did not meet last month but she thanked all the employees who work at the plant for all their hard work during the tropical storm, stating they did a tremendous job. She stated the Women's Center of New London held a brunch last month and explained the program and the need for financing. She discussed the Emanuel Synagogue stating they are seeking to be added to the National Historical Monument list and she would like to send a letter of recommendation to do so as it would be an asset to the Town.

g. Public Safety Building Committee & School Building Committee

Councilor Jacobson stated the breakdown of expenses was included in the Council packet and to date a total of five hundred seventy three thousand nine hundred dollars has been spent on the project. She stated the footings are starting to be placed on site. Councilor Beetham inquired where the screened loam from the site is going to and the Public Works Director stated he will look into it.

14. Appointments and Resignations

a. Motion made by Councilor Beetham, seconded by Councilor Hillman to appoint Mr. Thomas McNally to the Historical Preservation and Steering Committee with a term to expire October 12, 2013. (Mr. McNally was interviewed by the Town Council at the September 12, 2011 meeting and has indicated he would like to serve on the Commission) Discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor, appointment made.

b. Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Buebendorf to appoint Ms. Laura Tanner to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire October 12, 2015. (Ms. Tanner was interviewed by the Town Council at the September, 2011 meeting and she has indicated she would like to serve on the Commission) Discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor, appointment made.

c. Motion made by Councilor Beetham, seconded by Councilor Hillman to appoint Mr. Joseph Berardy to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire October 12, 2015. (Mr. Berardy was interviewed at the September, 2011 meeting and has indicated he would like to serve on the Commission). Discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor, appointment made.

d. Motion made by Councilor Buebendorf, seconded by Councilor Murphy to waive Section 14 (d) of the Rules of Procedure for Ms. Eileen Cicchese in order to appoint her to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire October 12, 2015. Discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor.

e. Motion made by Councilor Buebendorf, seconded by Councilor Hillman to appoint Ms. Eileen Cicchese to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire on October 12, 2015. (Ms. Cicchese has indicated she would like to be appointed to the Commission). Discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor, appointment made.

f. Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Beetham to appoint Mr. Bart Ferrante to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to expire October 12, 2015. (Mr. Ferrante was interviewed at the September meeting and has indicated he would like to serve on the Commission). Discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor, appointment made.

g. Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Hillman to waive the interview process for Ms. Kathy Dougherty Peck to the Commission of the Aging. (Ms. Peck has indicated she would like to be appointed to the Commission). Discussion, Chairperson Jacobson stated there was some confusion regarding this appointment because the State Statute regarding the appointment supersedes the Town Charter and suggested an update to the ordinance to bring it up to date in order to avoid confusion in the future. Roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried.

h. Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Beetham to waive Section 14 (c) of the Rules and Procedures of the Town Council to appoint Ms. Kathy Dougherty Peck to the Commission on the Aging with a term to expire October 12, 2014. Discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried.

15. Unfinished Business – none.

16. New Business

a. Resolution #2011-084. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to refund taxes due to overpayments and corrections in the amount of \$1,096.13 (one thousand ninety six dollars and thirteen cents) as requested by the Tax Collector and attached hereto as Schedule A. (Councilor Jacobson)

Motion made by Councilor Hillman, seconded by Councilor Beetham, discussion, none, roll call vote, 7-0, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, resolution adopted.

b. Resolution #2011-085. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to use LoCIP funds in the amount of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the emergency repairs to Kitemaug Road. (Mayor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Buebendorf, discussion, Chairperson Jacobson asked how much money will remain in the fund after the one hundred thousand dollars is expended. Ms. Hart stated there will be approximately fifty thousand dollars left over. Mayor Jaskiewicz stated the repairs were a job well done. Roll call vote, 7-0, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, resolution adopted.

c. Resolution #2011-086. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to allocate \$8,500 (Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) to the Equipment line (#10910-54000) in the Public Works budget from the General Fund for the purchase of a mower as part of the DEP mower exchange program. (Mayor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Beetham, seconded by Councilor Hillman, discussion, Mayor Jaskiewicz stated the Town will be reimbursed for eighty percent of the cost of the new mower under a State grant. The Town must first spend the money and when the eighty percent reimbursement is received it will go back into the General Fund. Roll call vote, 7-0, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, resolution adopted.

d. Resolution #2011-087. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to add Liberty Bank to the list of banks that the town is authorized to do business with. (Mayor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Buebendorf, seconded by Councilor Caron, discussion, Finance Director Hart explained she has been searching for the best interest rates for the Town and would like to add this bank to the list so that they can do business with them if it is beneficial to do so. Roll call vote, 7-0, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, resolution adopted.

e. Resolution #2011-088. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to establish terms,

conditions and responsibilities between the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and the Town of Montville regarding a statewide tactical On-Scene Communications Systems (STOCS) Box. (Mayor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Beetham, seconded by Councilor Caron, discussion, Mayor Jaskiewicz stated this will be a benefit to the Town and commended the Fire Marshal for submitting the grant to receive this equipment. Councilor Hillman stated the equipment will be a great tool for Emergency Management. Roll call vote, 7-0, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, resolution adopted.

f. Resolution #2011-089. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to approve the job description for the School Resource Officer for the Town of Montville per attached Schedule B. (Councilor Buebendorf)

Motion made by Councilor Buebendorf, seconded by Councilor Caron, discussion, Councilor Buebendorf pointed out there was only one minor change made by the Public Safety Commission at its last meeting and encouraged the Council to approve the job description. Roll call vote, 7-0, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, resolution adopted.

g. To consider and act on a motion to discuss re-forming a CIP Committee. (Councilor Murphy)

Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Hillman, discussion, Mayor Jaskiewicz stated the committee worked out relatively well last time. Finance Director Hart discussed changes she would like to implement this time regarding the number of members to form an unbiased group. Councilor Hillman stated there should be at least two or three citizens at large on the Committee and they must be registered voters to do so. She stated the next Council will need an ordinance to move forward with forming the committee.

h. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to establish a 5 year Capital Improvement Advisory Committee for the Town of Montville. Said committee will be comprised of one representative from the Parks & Recreation Commission, the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Board of Education, Commission on the Aging, Public Safety Commission, Public Works Sub-Committee and the Water and Sewer Commission. The representative from the Public Works/Solid Waste sub-committee will also act as the Town Council liaison. The advisory committee will commence in September to review, categorize and rank all current items in the 5 year Capital Plan; the advisory committee will meet monthly with the exception of the month of July to review new capital requests. The Finance Director will provide all budgetary information needed to formulate a new 5 year Capital Plan. (Councilor Hillman)

Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Hillman, discussion, Councilor Hillman discussed the time frame required to pass an ordinance and stated with budget requests going out soon it would be beneficial to move forward sooner rather than later. A discussion was held regarding wording of the resolution and a motion was made by Councilor Buebendorf, seconded by Councilor Murphy to remove the wording "the advisory committee will meet monthly with the exception of the month of July to review new capital requests". A motion was made by Councilor Beetham, seconded by Councilor McFee to table this discussion and leave it for the next Council. Discussion, a discussion was held regarding the need to vote on the previous motion prior to voting on this motion and the Attorney Gladke stated it would be acceptable to vote on tabling the motion at this time. Roll call vote, 4-3, voting in favor of tabling the discussion and leaving it for the next Council to discuss were Councilors Beetham, Caron, McFee and Murphy. Voting in opposition were Councilors Buebendorf, Hillman and Jacobson, motion carried, item tabled.

i. Resolution #2011-090. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to accept and authorize the settlement concerning the matter before the New London Superior Court identified as Docket No. KNL CV #4007128S “Leonard T. Lathrop vs. Town of Montville”.

Motion made by Councilor Hillman, seconded by Councilor Beetham, discussion, none, Roll call vote, 7-0, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, Hillman, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, resolution adopted.

j. Resolution #2011-091. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to accept and authorize the settlement concerning the matter before the New London Superior Court identified as Docket No KNL CV 400858S, “H,J, & W Associates vs. Town of Montville”.

Motion made by Councilor Beetham, seconded by Councilor Caron, discussion, none, Roll call vote, 6-0-1, voting in favor were Councilors Beetham, Buebendorf, Caron, McFee, Murphy and Jacobson, voting in opposition, none, abstaining from the vote was Councilor Hillman, resolution adopted.

17. Remarks from the Public

Lt. Bunnell, Town of Montville Police Department thanked Mayor Jaskiewicz for his service and dedication to the Town over the years. He wished him well in the future and stated he will be missed.

Ms. Linda Jean, 1583 Route 163, #8, Oakdale, thanked the Council and the Mayor for their service to the town.

Mr. Ronald McDaniel, Riverview Road thanked the Council and the Mayor for all their service and congratulated Councilor Beetham on his retirement and thanked him for all he has done for the town over the years.

Mr. James Andriote, 23 TreMart Drive thanked the Council and Mayor Jaskiewicz for their service to the town and wished everyone good luck with the upcoming election.

Chairperson Jacobson asked three times if there was anyone from the public who would like to come forward to address the Council.

18. Remarks from the Councilors

Councilor Buebendorf thanked Councilor Beetham and Mayor Jaskiewicz for their service over the years and thanked Councilor Murphy for the awards ceremony, stating it was an honor to be a part of it.

Councilor McFee thanked the Mayor for eight years of service and thanked Councilor Beetham, stating it has been a pleasure to serve with him. He thanked Chairperson Jacobson for all her dedication to the Town of Montville and stated she has done a great job as the Chairperson of the Town Council for the past two years.

Councilor Beetham stated it has been a pleasure serving the town and has enjoyed working with everyone.

Councilor Hillman thanked Councilor Beetham for his service to the town over the years, she thanked the Mayor and stated it has been a pleasure to work with him and the Town Council over the years and considers it a privilege to be a part of the Town Council. She thanked Fire Marshal

Occhialini for taking the time to apply for grants that are available to the town, he does a great job for the town.

Councilor Murphy thanked Chairperson Jacobson for her service and stated she has done a great job as Chair of the Council over the past two years and wished her luck with her Mayoral run. He thanked Councilor Beetham for all his years of service and his commitment to the town. He thanked the Mayor for an excellent job, stating he always stands up for what he believes in and fights for the Town of Montville. He thanked him for all his help along the way. He discussed ambulance calls and stated the statistics reports submitted by both the Fire Marshal and the Police Department are important and allow the public to see what is happening in the town. He commended the Mayor for helping with the hire of the part time dispatcher, stating there was a definite need for one.

Councilor Caron stated he will miss Councilor Beetham and all of his wisdom, thoughts and concerns and it has been a pleasure to work with him over the years. He thanked the Mayor, stating he is a good friend both to him and the Town of Montville and it has been an honor to serve alongside him. He wished the Councilors the best of luck with the elections.

Councilor Jacobson thanked the Mayor and the Council for their service and stated it has been a learning experience along the way that she has enjoyed and wished everyone the best of luck with the upcoming elections.

Mayor Jaskiewicz thanked the Council for all their work over the years and wished everyone well in the future.

19. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Beetham, seconded by Councilor Hillman to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Discussion, none, voice vote, 7-0, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Audrey Ulmer, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville