

Special Meeting Minutes

Town of Montville Town Council
Thursday, November 1, 2012
6:30 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

1. Call to Order - Chairperson Buebendorf called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of our military.
3. Roll Call - Present: Councilors Caron, Longton, Murphy, Tanner and Buebendorf. Absent: Councilors Jones and McFee. Also present: Mayor McDaniel and Public Works Director, Don Bourdeau.
4. Remarks from the public relating to matters on the agenda with a three minute limit - none
5. Executive Session

Motion by Councilor Murphy, second by Councilor Tanner, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of conducting interviews with candidates for the position of Town Engineer. Discussions held during Executive Session to include the members of the Town Council, Mayor Ron McDaniel, and Public Works Director Don Bourdeau. Voice vote 5-0, motion carried. Executive session began at 6:32 and ended at 8:03. No votes were taken in executive session.

6. **RESOLUTION #2012-77.** THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES to award the engineering services contract to CLA Engineers, Inc. for the Town of Montville and further, to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement for same. Motion made by Councilor Longton, second by Councilor Caron. Discussion: Councilor Longton stated that both firms interviewed were excellent but the Council has a fiduciary responsibility to the Town to save costs whenever possible, and that CLA's fees were lower. Roll call vote 4-1. Voting in favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, Tanner and Buebendorf. Opposed: Councilor Murphy. Resolution adopted.
7. Remarks and/or questions from the Public with a three minute limit - Mr. Kevin Fritsch questioned the Town Council holding a special meeting when a competitive bid process should be followed. Mayor McDaniel stated that the proper bidding procedure, including bids opened publicly, was followed and the interviewees were selected as a result of that process.
8. Remarks from the Commissioners and/or Councilors
 - Councilor Murphy stated the Town Emergency Management and the Mayor did an outstanding job coordinating services for the Town after Hurricane Sandy.
 - Councilor Caron echoed Councilor Murphy's compliments and explicitly thanked the Public Works Director, Ray Occhialini and the Mayor.
 - Councilor Longton appreciates how the services were pre-positioned to create an effective recovery effort.
 - Councilor Tanner agreed with the above comments.
9. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Councilor Tanner, second by Councilor Longton. Voice vote 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Candy Buebendorf