

Town of Montville Town Council  
**Regular Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, October 15, 2014**  
7:00 p.m. – Town Council Chambers – Town Hall

1. Call to Order  
Chairman Jaskiewicz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. after establishing a quorum
2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of our military.
3. Roll Call  
Present were Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Absent was Councilor McNally. Also present was Mayor Ronald McDaniel.
4. Special Recognitions/Presentations
  - a. Presentation with Question and Answer regarding Regional Dispatching by Fire Marshal Ray Occhialini and Doug Knowlton.

The following questions were asked by the Councilors:

Q: Who will the dispatchers be employed by? (Chairman Jaskiewicz)

A: Mr. Knowlton stated that the dispatchers will be employed by Colchester Emergency Communications, Inc. (KX), an established organization providing regional dispatching services to area towns. The organization has a Board of Directors, per State Statutes.

Q: What will happen if the Town decides to terminate the contract? (Councilor May)

A: Mr. Knowlton stated that each of the participating towns have the right to withdraw from/terminate the contract by providing a one-year written notice and, in the case of Montville, any existing and currently used capital equipment, e.g., radios, etc., would be retained by the Town. Should Montville withdraw, the other towns would need to look for another operation. As such, they are considering relocating their existing equipment from Troop K to their Buckley Hill location.

Q: Do you have or plan to have a transition plan to switch over from Town-owned to Company-owned equipment? (Councilor Longton)

A: Fire Marshal Occhialini stated that the equipment is currently a mix of Town- and Company-owned property and is currently being utilized. Currently, a \$250,000.00 Transition Grant is pending contingent on the approval of the contract. The funds received from the Grant will be used to purchase such equipment as microwaves, public safety data, network connections, UHF radio links, computer-aided dispatch system upgrade, and recorder upgrade and will be owned by the Company.

Q: Will the purchased equipment replace the existing Town equipment? (Councilor Longton)

A: Fire Marshal Occhialini replied that the existing Town equipment is in place and is owned and maintained by the Town. Should the contract be terminated, the Town will still maintain their infrastructure. He noted that there is a stipulation on the Grant that they must maintain their relationship for a minimum of five-years or the funds received must be returned to the State.

Q: How much is the Town's savings? (Councilor Caron)

A: Fire Marshal Occhialini stated that the current budget is approximately \$418,000.00 and they estimate their first year's costs to be approximately \$290,000.00. In addition, their current staffing will be increased so as to provide three (3) individuals for the day shift, three (3) for the evening-shift, and two (2) for the midnight shift.

Q: Will we be losing any of our present employees? (Councilor Caron)

A: Mr. Knowlton stated that no current full-time employees would lose their benefits, pay, or take any step(s) backwards. Currently, KX has eight (8) full-time dispatchers, plus a full-

time supervisor and manager and Montville has three (3) dispatchers. To maintain the 3/3/2 model, they plan to either hire part-time employees or extend overtime benefits to the existing full-time employees.

Q: Are we going to dispatch police or will it be simultaneous such that the 911 calls will go to the State police who will notify the Town? (Chairman Jaskiewicz)

A: Fire Marshal Occhialini stated that currently, under the Resident Trooper Program, the 911 calls are taken and dispatched by the State and recorded into the TriTech system. Under this contract, they will serve as a kind of 'pre-dispatching service' and service will be improved. Councilor Caron confirmed that the Town would be receiving more coverage and saving money.

Q: Will any Town employees be transferring over to CEC? (Councilor Longton)

A: Yes, all three (3) Montville employees will be transferring over to CEC and will be maintaining their seniority.

Q: What is the make-up of the Board? (Chairman Jaskiewicz)

A: The Board is made up of the Chiefs of each service – Fire, Police, EMS – or their designated representative. Montville will have a total of four (4) Chiefs on the Board. All of the members will have the opportunity to air their concerns and partake in any decisions on standards and rules.

Q: Who is going to be the Supervisor? (Chairman Jaskiewicz)

A: The manager is Rich Bracchi, former Commander for the Hartford Police Department. Should he retire, the Board will post the position and a representative from CCM will aid in the evaluation of the candidate(s).

Mayor McDaniel thanked Mr. Knowlton and Fire Marshal Occhialini for their hard work as well as all of the members of the Committee, who spent a lot of time and effort. He. Both the Town Council Chairman and the Union representatives were invited and involved in the discussions so as to allay any fears they might have regarding the transition. As the State aims to significantly reduce the number of Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs), the Town may serve as a model for other areas. The approval of this contract will place the Town of Montville ahead of the curve and open up the opportunity to attract other municipalities eventually lowering, if not stabilizing, the costs and provide a better level of service.

5. Alterations to the Agenda

Chairman Jaskiewicz proposed changing items 16(b) and (c) from Councilor Longton to Mayor McDaniel. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Alterations were made to the agenda.

6. To Consider and Act on a motion to approve:

a. The Public Hearing Minutes on Monday, September 8, 2014

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion passed.

b. The Regular Meeting Minutes on Monday, September 8, 2014

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion passed.

c. The Special Meeting Minutes on Wednesday, October 8, 2014

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Pollard. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 5-0-1. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, and Tanner. Voting in Opposition: None. Voting in Abstention: Councilor Jaskiewicz. Motion passed.

7. Executive Session

- a. To Consider and Act on a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing a candidate for the Economic Development Commission, Commission on Aging, and Uncas Health District. Discussions to include members of the Town Council and Mayor Ronald McDaniel.

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Motion carried. Invited parties exited Chambers for Executive Session at 7:16 p.m. Chairman Jaskiewicz resumed the meeting at 7:25 p.m. No formal votes were taken during executive session.

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

Lt. Bunnell, 5 Little John Drive, spoke in favor of item 16(f) regarding the contract with CEC (KX). He hopes the Council recognizes the importance of the agreement and thanked the Mayor and his office and Fire Marshal Occhialini and his office for recognizing the benefits, their skilled negotiating, and working very hard to secure the agreement. The Public Safety Building was built with the future in mind and will serve to benefit the Town. He hopes to see a unanimous approval by the Town Council sending a strong message to the community.

9. Communications

- a. Copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of July 2014
- b. Copy of the legal bills from Suisman-Shapiro for the month of August 2014
- c. Copy of the September budget report from Ms. Terry Hart, Finance Director

10. Report from the Town Attorney on Matters Referred — none.

11. Remarks from the Mayor and/or Administrative Department Heads to include Matters Referred  
Thanks to Fire Marshal Occhialini's leadership, Mayor McDaniel reported that a successful Millstone Drill, supervised by FEMA, at the Emergency Operations Center was held.

The Mayor, who is also the current Chairman of Southeast Area Transit (SEAT), participated in the screening selection process for a contractor to conduct a Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA) for the SEAT bus system. The study will include ADA service as well as a review of the Paratransit services. A contractor has been hired and the study is slated to begin this month.

The Mayor attended a well-attended Teacher of the Year reception sponsored by the Board of Education as well as an Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony where five (5) Eagle Scouts were honored. The Montville Road Bridge Bid Opening was held on September 23 and was awarded to King Construction. Materials for the project are being pre-ordered while they await receipt of the Flood Management Certificate. It is hoped that construction will be completed this winter, though paving may not be completed until the spring.

The Solarize program ended with the signing of 41 (forty-one) residential households at a rate of 340kW. In conjunction, one of their energy purveyors, Titan Energy, will be conducting a benchmarking of the Town Hall building and investigating energy-saving measures including the possibility of converting to natural gas and using cogeneration so that they may create their own electricity for use by this and, possibly, other Town buildings, including the Senior Center and the old Town Hall. They will also be looking into the HVAC systems and lighting, among other things.

Four (4) candidates have been interviewed and conditional offers have been made for the available police officer positions. Fire Marshal Occhialini, Fire Inspector/Public Education Officer Ed Shafer, the Police Department, and CHIPs (Child Identification Program) participated in a successful Safety Day event at Home Depot, despite the weather.

The Mayor, along with Public Works Director Don Bourdeau and Resident State Trooper Sgt. James Smith met with UCONN's Circuit Rider Safety Assessment Program, a free program in which they will conduct road safety assessments and investigate possible options for resolving problematic areas with higher than normal crash data. Through the program, they will be able to access the State's Department of Transportation (DOT) database providing them with crash test data

for any road dating back to 2002 and updated to 2012. Solutions to decrease the number of fatal car accidents may be as simple as installing signage, increased enforcement, and/or widening of the road(s).

Public Works Director Bourdeau and himself also participated in a webinar regarding the LED retrofitting of streetlights, which, luckily is owned by the Town. Through an existing CCM (Connecticut Conference of Municipalities) program, one of three vendors vetted by CCM can be selected for the project. There will be no out-of-pocket costs for the electrical work and will provide the Town with a cost savings on electrical usage and labor costs for the future replacement of the bulbs, which will be longer-lasting and provide better lighting.

In response to Councilor May, who questioned the status of the Route 163 bridge construction, Mayor McDaniel stated that the road was slated to open to traffic today, but due to issues with the utilities, the road is now scheduled to be open next Friday, October 24. In response to Chairman Jaskiewicz, the Mayor stated that the bid for the construction of the Montville Road Bridge is approximately \$476,000.00, exclusive of engineering, inspection costs, etc. They are planning to run the job in-house via Town Planner Marcia Vlaun who would be the "Clerk of the Works" as she was for the Public Safety Building and utilize Norwich's engineering staff. Some items, including the environmental inspections, will be handled by CLA Engineers.

12. Reports from Standing Committees.

a. Town Administration/Rules of Procedure – Councilor Longton

Councilor Longton stated that the policies regarding Town Vehicle Use and the Mayor's benefits were discussed in detail by the Committee and are included on this evening's agenda.

b. Finance – Councilor Tanner

Councilor Tanner reported that the Educational Reserve Fund Policy was approved and sent to the BOE for review. Finance Director Hart will be scheduling a meeting with the Expense Reduction Analysts to review their expenses and determine areas where they might be able to save money. The review is free of charge unless thousands of dollars in savings are discovered.

c. Public Works/Solid Waste Disposal – Councilor Longton

Councilor Longton reported that Doyle, Cottage, and Church Roads, Marcia and Greystone Drives, and Maple Avenue Extension have been completed. Pink Row and Lathrop Road are scheduled for milling and paving at the end of October. Chesterfield Road and the area around Oxoboxo Lake are under next year's budget. The Maynard Road project, which was originally being given to the UCONN and Central CT College Engineering students, will be done by CLA Engineers. The degree of construction the road will require to be brought up-to-date would need to be referred to the Town Attorney.

The Transfer Station has sold a total of 1,802 stickers and 1,574 surveys were completed. Results from the survey are forthcoming. During the survey, many residents expressed their concern regarding an increase in the permit fees, which, he stated, they are not seeking to raise. It was noted, however, that the Town's per trip fee may be low in comparison to the other towns, especially if one were to come in with a month or more worth of garbage. With the information gathered from the survey, a list of the regulations and fees of other Towns, and additional research from comparable towns, Public Works Director Bourdeau will present the Committee with a draft of the proposed changes to the Transfer Station, which will be funded by the recently renewed STEAP Grant. Director Bourdeau also distributed a spreadsheet comparing the fees of Montville and other CT towns.

A review of the infrastructures of Town-owned properties is also forthcoming. They are possibility of utilizing the \$35,000.00 budgeted for the demolition of the old V&A/Social Services Building towards the abatement and restoration of the structure is being investigated.

Director of Senior and Social Services Kathie Doherty-Peck will be meeting with Director Bourdeau to discuss the possibility of adjusting their plans for the location of the Re-Use Room. The tennis courts at Camp Oakdale have been completed and opened on Friday, September 26. Installation of a green screen or green slats was discussed to hide the back tennis courts. As

previously noted by the Mayor, King Construction was hired for the construction of the Montville Road Bridge.

Bids for the repairs and silvercoating of all of the Town Hall roofs are in the process of being reviewed. Funding for the project is included in their capital budget and inspections will be conducted as the job progresses. The repairs/coating will come with a 15-year warranty.

The repairs to the Senior Center are being planned during the winter months when the Center is the least used, as at least one of the bathrooms will be closed during this period. Funding will be provided by insurance moneys, but, because it will not cover the entire costs, the project may need to be downscaled.

Because the Town Council approved an RFQ (Request for Quote) for the Town Council Chambers' sound system, Councilor Caron will request Chairman Jaskiewicz to follow up with Director Bourdeau for direction. Per the Mayor's report, Route 163 by the Post Office will be open to traffic next Friday.

In response to several complaints, Director Bourdeau and the Mayor will be discussing the safety of and possible solutions for the intersection of Chapel Hill Road at Utz Drive.

13. Reports from Special Committees and Liaison Councilors

a. Councilor Caron: Commission on Aging; Social Services; Volunteer Fire Fighters' Relief Fund  
The Friday, November 14 Usher Concert has been selected for the Skybox Tickets donated by the Mohegan Tribe to help raise money for the Veterans Fund. Approximately 60 tickets have been sold to date. Please contact either himself or Director Doherty-Peck for tickets. Energy assistance applications are now being accepted by both the Senior Center and Social Services.

b. Councilor Jaskiewicz: Board of Education

As noted by the Mayor, the Teacher of the Year reception was held awarding a very enthused recipient who recognized and accepted the award on behalf of all.

c. Councilor Longton: Library; Planning & Zoning Commission

Though he was not in attendance and is waiting to receive a copy of the minutes, Councilor Longton reported that one of the items on the agenda included the re-paving of the parking lot.

The Planning & Zoning Commission approved the following items:

- 1) Special permit for an 80,000-foot commercial building at Lombardi Business Park on Sachatello Road for an indoor sports arena.
- 2) Application for a zone change for Hershey Hospitality Corporation for properties located on Route 32.
- 3) Application for a zone change for properties located on Carol Drive and Sharpe Hill Road.
- 4) Application for a zoning permit for a 28 x 36 three-bay garage on a property located on Route 163.

d. Councilor May: Water Pollution Control Authority

Councilor May reported that a request to revise the water budget due to an under-estimation of water use is included on this evening's agenda. A recent water line repair has brought into light the need for a change to their policy regarding the manner in which businesses are contacted prior to cutting off their water supply. The sewer line collapse from Rand-Whitney to the treatment plant on Depot Road has been successfully repaired. The collapse posed questions regarding the integrity of the pipe, owned by Rand-Whitney, especially along Route 32, and discussions regarding the establishment of an action plan is in process to avoid any future occurrences and loss of usage of the road(s). The following four informational meetings regarding the benefits, cost, construction, etc. of the Montville High School Interconnection Project for the waterline has been scheduled: October 23, 7:00 p.m., Montville High School; November 13, 7:00 p.m., Oakdale fire Department; December 5, 10:00 a.m., Senior Center, and; January 8, 7:00 p.m., Public Safety Building.

The Montville Law Enforcement Feasibility Committee have had successful meetings and commended Chairman Pike. They are currently in the process of honing down questions that

they were tasked with presenting to the Committee. On November 4, Stonington Chief J. Darren Stewart will be meeting with the Committee to discuss the runnings of his Police Department. Lt. Leonard Bunnell and Resident State Trooper Sgt. James Smith provided an excellent and very informative presentation to the Committee regarding the Department's projected needs.

a. Councilor McNally: Economic Development Commission

Mayor McDaniel reported that Town Planner Marcia Vlaun will be presenting the Commission with an updated community profile based upon the new census data at their regular meeting next Monday, October 22. Once the profile is finalized and presented to the Commission, it will be available on the website. Former EDC Chair Councilor Longton recalled an excellent presentation provided by Town Planner Vlaun and highly recommended any of the Councilors to attend the meeting.

b. Councilor Pollard: Youth Services Bureau and Advisory Board

Councilor Pollard reported that Youth Services Bureau (YSB) Director Barbara Lockhart was re-elected as president to the CT Youth Services Association (CYSA), who represents and advocates for 104 YSBs in the State.

Director Lockhart assisted the Southeastern Regional Action Council team in writing and preparing a \$625,000.00 Federal Drug-Free Communities Grant to provide funds to support programs in five local towns, including Montville. The grant will be spread out over five years. Through a collective grant application to the State Judicial Department, the CYSA received funding to support the Local Interagency Service Teams and will be utilized for programming needs as well as to offset the salaries for the Director and Administrative Assistant. In addition, CYSA also received a \$225,243.00 Grant by the CT Department of Children and Families (DCF) to support the Juvenile Review Board Case Management. An additional three-year funding is expected.

The Bureau's 2014-15 after-school program is currently at capacity and a total of \$7,500.00 in revenue is expected. The Bureau will be hosting their 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on Sunday, October 26, 8:00 a.m. to noon, at the Mohegan Fire House.

Director Lockhart has also applied for a \$2,700.00 Technology Grant from the Montville Education Foundation to fund a learning program, teaching math, physics, and engineering skills through LEGO building. The Grant will benefit 144 school children, grades 4 to 8. She has also completed an application for a \$3,500.00 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Grant from the Local Prevention Council to support prevention efforts.

c. Councilor Tanner: Parks & Recreation Commission; Public Safety Commission; Non-Profit Organizations

Councilor Tanner reported that the resurfacing of the tennis courts at Camp Oakdale has been completed and is now open to the public. The Commission is seeking some guidance regarding the Dog Ordinance. Councilor May responded that, from his recollection, they are waiting to receive a map of the designated areas and the referencing of the ordinance to that map. She reported that the bathrooms at the Large Pavilion in Camp Oakdale are slated for demolition in November/December and the new bathrooms are scheduled for installation in March/April. The Commission is currently preparing to send out their second newsletter.

14. Appointments and Resignations

a. To Consider and Act on a motion to re-appoint Ms. Kerri Lawton to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire November 8, 2018.

Motion made by Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion passed.

b. To Consider and Act on a motion to re-appoint Ms. Susan Rickards to the Youth Advisory Board Commission with a term to expire November 8, 2016.

Motion made by Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Motion passed.

15. Unfinished Business

- a. **Resolution #2014-84. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to establish a Town Vehicle Policy. (Councilor Longton)

Motion made by Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: Councilor Longton thanked Finance Director Hart for her assistance and efforts on the policy, which began due to the IRS implications and laws that affect Town employees who utilize a Town vehicle and commute on a daily basis. The Policy now properly references all of the laws within this context and recommended the Council approve the policy. Councilor May added that policies can be easily revised. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

16. New Business

- a. **Resolution #2014-85. THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to refund taxes due to overpayments and corrections in the amount of \$3,858.17 (three-thousand eight-hundred fifty-eight dollars and seventeen cents) as requested by the Tax Collector. (Councilor Jaskiewicz)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Caron. Discussion: None. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- b. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the ordinance titled "An Ordinance regarding the Conveyance of Real Property Known as 91 Leffingwell Road", as read at the public hearing on Wednesday, October 15, 2014. (~~Councilor Longton~~ Mayor McDaniel)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: Chairman Jaskiewicz stated that he felt this was a good idea for all involved and would like to see the Councilors' unanimous support. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- c. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve and adopt the ordinance titled "Ordinance Concerning THE LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 14 BRIDGE STREET", as read at the public hearing on Wednesday, October 15, 2014. (~~Councilor Longton~~ Mayor McDaniel)

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor May. Discussion: Chairman Jaskiewicz expressed that he would like to see the Councilors' unanimous support for this item, a process that began five years ago. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- d. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the establishment of a Dog Park in the Town of Montville. (Councilor Tanner)

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Councilor Tanner stated that Mr. Chris Lawton provided the Council with a presentation in May. They are seeking the Town Council's support so that they may plan their next step. She added that Public Works and the Parks & Recreation Commission both support the Dog Park. Chairman Jaskiewicz added that the Dog Park would be located across the street from the Large Pavilion and that the Dog Park may be eliminated should it prove unsuccessful. Councilor Tanner added that the Dog Park would also create a place for the dogs to go once the Dog Ordinance is in

place. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- e. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to approve the revised 2013-2014 Water Budget in the amount \$1,168,982.90 an increase of \$98,282.90 as approved by the Water Pollution Control Authority at their meeting held October 6, 2014. (Councilor May)

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Councilor May stated that this is a mid-year adjustment due to an under-estimation of water use. In response to Councilor Caron's question regarding the reasoning behind the lack of foreseeing the increase in water use, Councilor May stated that water usage is difficult to anticipate and hard to estimate. In response to Chairman Jaskiewicz who questioned whether there is a percentage of loss built into their estimations/system, Councilor May stated that the meters are added up and losses have been low at 4-5%. Roll Call vote, 4-2. Voting in Favor: Councilors Longton, May, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: Councilors Caron and Pollard. Resolution passed.

- f. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to authorize Mayor Ronald McDaniel to execute the contract between the Town of Montville and Colchester Emergency (KX) Communications, Inc. (Mayor McDaniel)

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Chairman Jaskiewicz commended Fire Marshal Occhialini and Mr. Knowlton on their presentation, commended the Mayor for his hard work and efforts, thanked all who were involved, and expressed his support. Councilors Longton felt that the contract was very carefully done making support a no brainer. Councilor Caron agreed and commended Fire Marshal Occhialini, Mr. Knowlton, and the Mayor for their efforts. Councilor Tanner concurred. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

- g. **THE TOWN OF MONTVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES** to establish a benefit package for the Office of the Mayor. (Councilor Longton)

Motion made by Councilor Longton, seconded by Councilor Tanner. Discussion: Councilor Longton stated that the benefit package is the result of numerous discussions as they sought to establish a benefit package that is commensurate with other towns, did not limit the Mayor's activities whose position requires 24/7/365 attention, and provides the Mayor with appropriate benefits in accordance to the amount of responsibility the position holds. He thanked Finance Director Hart for her efforts and recommended the approval of the package. Roll Call vote, 6-0, all in favor. Voting in Favor: Councilors Caron, Longton, May, Pollard, Tanner, and Jaskiewicz. Voting in Opposition: None. Resolution passed.

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

18. Executive Session

19. Remarks from the Councilors and the Mayor

Councilor Pollard thanked the Council for their expressions of caring and concern regarding the passing of her mother last month.

Councilor Longton also thanked the Council and members of the public for their expressions of sympathy for his father's passing. He felt a good meeting was held this evening in which a lot of decisions were made and good steps forward, especially with KX Communications, and putting to bed the Mayor's benefit package and Use of Town Vehicles Policy, both of which are good policies for the Town. He thanked everyone who invested their time and energies into both items.

Councilor Caron commended the employees at the Transfer Station who do a fantastic job keeping busy, saving the Town money, and making money for the Town. He was also impressed with the Re-Use shed constructed with all re-used/recycled materials by an Eagle Scout.



Councilor May added that the Transfer Station also has a Flag Retirement Box, which was also an Eagle Scout project. He further added that he witnessed the employees de-installing and separating the wires from various appliances for recycling and commended their recycling program.

Councilor Tanner commended Fire Marshal Occhialini and the Mayor on the KX program, which she felt would be beneficial for the Town and thanked the Councilors for passing the Dog Park.

Mayor McDaniel stated it is nice to get use of “ball across the goal” with the regional dispatch agreement. The facility was constructed, partially, with this purpose in mind and he hopes that it helps entice other communities to join. He also reported that Mr. Steven Loiler was involved in the recent tragic fatal car accident on I-95 and was treated with non-life threatening injuries.

Chairman Jaskiewicz thanked the Councilors for doing their efforts; he felt that it is great when they can all agree and come together on the big issues.

20. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Tanner, seconded by Councilor Longton, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Discussion: None. Voice vote, 6-0, all in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Agnes Miyuki, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville

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