

Town of Montville Finance Committee

Special Meeting Minutes for

April 25, 2017

5:00 P.M.

Montville High School Large Conference Room

Councilor Longton called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m. He also led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Councilors Tanner, Pollard (5:30 PM) and Jaskiewicz. Mayor McDaniel and Finance Director Hart were also present.

Councilor Longton moved, second by Councilor Tanner, to approve the minutes of the 3/18/17 meeting. Motion passed.

The committee discussed the sale of property located at 289 Route 32 (former Youth Services Building). The Mayor explained that there has been a great deal of interest in the building and that Planning and Zoning has given a favorable 8-24 review for the Town to sell it. Councilor Tanner moved, second by Councilor Longton, to recommend the Town Council hold a Public hearing regarding the sale of property located at 289 Route 32 (former Youth Services Building). Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding raises for part-time employees. The Finance Director explained that these employees have not gotten raises in a few years. She suggested that the Town Council resolve to give them an increase at the beginning of the fiscal year on July 1. Councilor Tanner moved, second by Councilor Longton, to recommend the Town Council approve wage increases for part-time employees. Motion passed. It is understood that in no case should the wages be lower than minimum wage.

The committee reviewed the 2017-18 Town Budget. Councilor Longton informed the committee that the revenue from the WPCA in the amount of \$10,000 for Financial Services should be removed. He explained he spoke to Brian Lynch, the WPCA Administrator and that the commission did not budget to pay this.

Councilor Tanner expressed some concern about giving the Raymond Library such a large increase this year. Councilor Longton explained that the library needs the funds to remain open. He also stated that the State requires Towns without libraries to pay surrounding Towns to use theirs.

The committee reviewed the Capital Improvement Plan. There was also discussion regarding the funding for the boat launch in the Public Works budget because for two years the funds have not been utilized. Council Tanner moved, second by Councilor Longton, to allocate \$5,000 in the

Capital Plan for the boat launch. The reasoning was that these funds could be carried forward at year end instead of taxing the residents. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Theresa Hart, Director of Finance