

Dear Montville Residents,

Governor Mills recently granted Select Boards the authority to cancel town meetings and operate based on last year's warrant and approved budget. Elected officials are required to serve an additional year. Prior to signing the tax commitment, the Board voted unanimously to cancel our 2020 Town meeting.

Although we understand this is an unprecedented decision for the Town, the Board decided it was best to calculate a mil rate using the 2019 budget already passed by residents rather than project what the budget might be without any assurance if a Town meeting would happen. Under the current State Covid-19 guidelines and requirements established to have Town meeting, we felt we were unable to safely follow protocols and conduct such a large gathering for the foreseeable future.

We are optimistically anticipating that our community will have the opportunity again to vote on a new Warrant and proposed budget in 2021. Stay well and we look forward to our Town coming together in healthier times!

The Montville Select Board – Bob Price, Cathy Roberts, and Bob LeRoy

The mil rate this year is 20.9, up from last year's rate of 20.7. This means that for every \$1,000 value of your property, you are paying \$20.90 in taxes. Montville's county bill increased by \$7,972.50 and the school bill increased by \$22,225.44. Town appropriations remained unchanged, since the tax commitment is based on the 2019 budget.

If you have questions about your property tax bill, contact the assessors at the Town office, 342-5543 or email montville@fairpoint.net. Contact Tax Collector, Terry Fischer, 342-5544 trmontville@fairpoint.net if you are interested in discussing payment options. Announcements - www.montvillemaine.org The Select Board supports the State Covid-19 guidelines and protocols set by Governor Mills. The Board voted to require Town employees and residents to wear face coverings and practice social distancing in all town buildings. Window service will be available at the Town office for those who choose not to comply. Residents are encouraged to follow this protocol at the transfer station. **Transfer Station Stickers** As of **August 1st**, residents will be required to purchase trash bag stickers at the town office. A minimum of 10 stickers can also be mailed. Stickers will **not** be sold at the transfer station. Punch cards will no longer be available to purchase, although existing punch cards will still be honored. If you don't have a sticker on your trash bag, you will not be able to leave your trash. **Rolloff** Scheduled for 8/15-8/16, 8:00am-4:00pm. If you need assistance from attendants to off-load your contents, you are **required** to wear a face covering. **"Good Neighbors" Survey** Please take a moment to fill out the survey. You can follow the link here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbvycnGTZZKtPupj3I67Ab8i_JMFCZyXST68cEJ0JSw5jwmw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1