CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION, DIVISION OF STATE POLICE AND THE

TOWN OF: Montville

Montville, CT 06382

FOR THE SERVICES OF RESIDENT STATE POLICE TROOPERS

TOWN FEIN#: 06-6002039 AGREEMENT NUMBER: 2000/262

CONTRACT PERIOD: July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019

In consideration of the Town of Montville (hereinafter the “Town”), acting through its Chief Executive Officer (hereinafter the “Town CEO”), duly authorized, paying all costs pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 29-5, as may be amended, and other good and valuable consideration, the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (“DESPP”), Division of State Police (hereinafter the “State Police”), acting through its Commissioner, duly authorized, hereby agrees to provide the Town of Montville with the services of one (1) Resident State Police Trooper(s) during the above-referenced contract period.

This Contract is subject to the following additional terms and conditions:

I. Law Enforcement Operations and Activities

A. Authority Over Police Operations. The Town hereby delegates to the State Police the authority to supervise and direct the law enforcement operations of appointed constables and police officers in the Town as set forth below.

1. Except for terms and conditions that conflict with the Town’s obligations under the Connecticut Municipal Employee Relations Act (hereinafter “the MERA”) and/or are contained within any collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the town police officers’ or constables’ collective bargaining representative, all town police officers and constables shall be subject to applicable provisions of the current Resident State Trooper Program Administration and Operations Manual of the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (hereinafter the “Manual”). Copies of the Manual shall be provided to the Town CEO and each police officer or constable of the Town who shall be responsible for compliance therewith. The Town shall ensure that each police officer or constable in the Town provides a signed copy of the form attached hereto as Exhibit A evidencing such town police officer’s or constable’s
receipt of the Manual and his or her understanding that he or she is responsible for adhering to its provisions, excepting only those terms and conditions that conflict with the Town's obligations under the MERA and/or are contained within any collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the constables’ or officers’ collective bargaining representative.

2. The Town shall promptly advise the State Police in writing of any terms and conditions of the current Manual which the Town reasonably believes conflict with any provision of any collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the constables’ or officers’ collective bargaining representative and shall provide a copy of any such agreement to the State Police.

3. During collective bargaining, the Town shall attempt to negotiate terms and conditions consistent with the performance standards and other provisions of the Manual.

B. Patrol Activities and Assignments

The Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper, as applicable, assigned to each Town shall be solely responsible for making all patrol and special activity assignments for Town police officers or constables, including the law enforcement duties to be performed, taking into consideration the needs of the Town after consultation with the Town CEO, sound police practices, and any rights of the Town police officers or constables as specified in any collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the constables'/officers' collective bargaining representative and the Town's obligations under the MERA.

Prior to submission, the Town shall confer with the Troop Commander regarding anticipated grant applications related to law enforcement activities including as examples, DOT enforcement initiatives, equipment, or technology. The DESPP Grant Unit is available as a resource to assist the Town with the application process. It is understood that the Town, and not a Trooper, shall be the sole signatory on grant applications. Additionally, the Town shall be responsible for compliance with all grant terms and conditions and shall administer said grant funds in accordance with any grant approval. Any law enforcement technology or equipment purchases resulting from grant approvals shall be compatible with DESPP State Police systems in accordance with the technology interoperability identified in Section I, paragraph E below.

C. Investigative Methods

The use of investigative methods, including but not limited to the conduct of all criminal investigations, application for and execution of all arrest and search warrants, use of force, vehicular pursuits, related activities, and reporting procedures, in the Town shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Manual.
1. Serious crimes, serious injury crimes and most complex incidents that involve in-depth, follow-up investigation, crime scene processing, seizure of evidence, application for and execution of search warrants, and out-of-town investigative work shall be conducted by the Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper, as applicable, by State Police personnel assigned to the area State Police Troop, respective State Police major crime unit or any other State Police investigative unit deemed appropriate by the State Police. The State Police may, in its sole discretion, make exceptions to this policy on a case-by-case basis. A serious or complex investigation may be assigned to a town police officer or constable by the State Police after taking into consideration the nature of the case, requirements of the investigation, the shift resources, response time, and the experience and training of the Town police officer or constable.

2. Every effort will be made by the State Police to allow a Town police officer or constable to remain involved in self-initiated, serious criminal investigations to the extent consistent with sound law enforcement investigative principles and practices.

D. Reports and Records

All police investigative records generated by Town officers shall be the property of DESPP State Police and shall be prepared, formatted and submitted to DESPP State Police in the manner approved by DESPP State Police. The Town shall respond to any Freedom of Information requests for such records by informing the requester that such records are under the sole custody and control of DESPP State Police. The Town may direct requests for motor vehicle accident reports to the Troop for processing in accordance with DESPP State Police policy.

All police investigative records generated by Town officers shall comply with the retention requirements of the regulations adopted by the State Librarian under the authority of section 11-8 of the Connecticut General Statutes and shall comply with the record storage requirements outlined by the Department of Administrative Services, Bureau of Enterprise Systems & Technology.

The Town shall be responsible for providing network connection and interoperability to DESPP State Police Records Management System in accordance with the requirements of DESPP State Police. The Town shall be responsible for and shall fully support interoperability of the records management system and the initiatives impacting such technology systems between the Town and DESPP State Police.

E. Technology

The Town shall be responsible for and shall fully support interoperability of information technology systems and initiatives impacting technology systems between the Town and DESPP State Police. In order to fully support interoperability, the Town shall inform DESPP State Police of all anticipated technology purchases.
and initiatives related to law enforcement technologies before the Town purchases and/or acts on vendor agreements. Such technologies include, but are not limited to, body-worn cameras, license plate readers, and electronic defense weapons. DESPP State Police shall respond to the Town as to if the technology and/or initiative proposed can be interfaced with DESPP State Police technology systems and/or whether the technology or initiative is compatible with the DESPP State Police technology systems. Compatibility shall include, but not be limited to connectivity, storage, retrieval, security and system to system communication. It is understood that the Town shall incur any costs associated with interfacing, connecting, storing, retrieving and/or creating the proposed technology system and/or initiative.

To ensure interoperability between the technologies, the Town shall identify an information technology liaison to serve as a technical contact to address technical changes and/or upgrades relating to law enforcement technologies.

F. Telecommunications

The Town shall follow all DESPP State Police procedures regarding use, access and maintenance of State Police supplied telecommunications equipment and technology. If the Town operates its own radio system and dispatch function, Town police officers/constables, when dispatched to respond to an incident by such dispatch center, shall immediately notify the Troop State Police dispatch center of the incident to which they are responding.

G. Chain of Command

Resident State Police Supervisors or Troopers, where applicable, shall directly supervise the law enforcement operations of all Town police officers or constables. The Town CEO of a resident trooper town shall have reasonable, direct access to the area State Police Troop Commander, the Resident Trooper Supervisor and Resident State Police Troopers for regular and on-going communications regarding law enforcement in the Town.

1. In the absence of the assigned Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper, where applicable, the chain of command for Town police officers or constables shall progress to the area State Police Troop Commander, or his duly assigned on-duty shift supervisor, and to the State Police District Commander.

2. The intent of this contract is to provide positive direction for the working relationship between Town police officers/constables and State Police personnel. All significant conflicts between Town police officers/constables and State Police personnel shall be referred to the next senior officer in the State Police chain of command.
H. Use of Police Canines by Town Police Officers/Constables

The use of Town police canines by Town police officers/constables shall be consistent with State Police policies and procedures. Towns electing to use alternative programs for training and certification or recertification of police canines shall assure all costs and liabilities associated with such programs. In the event a Town police canine is employed in a manner inconsistent or contrary to policies and procedures of DESPP, the Town assumes all liability for any injuries or damages caused thereby.

I. Overtime

The State Police retains the right to make overtime assignments of State Police personnel in accordance with the prevailing State Police collective bargaining agreement and state law. Overtime assignments in the Town that require State Police services outside the scope of this contract and Connecticut General Statutes Section 29-5 such as those that fall within the scope of Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-284 shall be assigned in accordance with the prevailing State Police collective bargaining agreement and paid for by the Town in accordance with the prevailing rates for private contractor extra duty overtime assignments. This provision is intended to apply only to overtime performed by State Police personnel and is not intended to limit the rights of local officers or constables under any applicable local collective bargaining agreement.

II. Administrative Responsibility

A. The Town shall retain administrative responsibility for its personnel, including but not limited to, ensuring compliance with entry level standards for newly hired police officers or constables and training and certification requirements established by the Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POSTC) in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-294a et seq. and associated Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies or as otherwise required by law, compensation for services rendered, hours or shifts to be worked, and provisions of uniforms and equipment.

1. Resident State Police Supervisors or Troopers, as applicable, shall cooperate with the Town by scheduling Town police officers and constables so as to enable them to meet these requirements in a timely manner.

B. Administrative Investigations/Discipline

All misconduct or performance issues on the part of Town police officers or constables which cannot reasonably be resolved through counseling or the issuance of a Performance Observation Report by the Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper, if applicable, and which may warrant the imposition of discipline, however
minor, or the need for additional remedial training, shall be promptly reported to the
Town CEO. The Town CEO shall be kept apprised of any counseling or the issuance
of any Performance Observation Reports.

1. Allegations of misconduct on the part of Town police officers or constables which
cannot reasonably be resolved through counseling or the issuance of a
Performance Observation Report by the Resident State Police Supervisor or
Trooper, if applicable, and which may warrant the imposition of discipline,
however minor, shall be investigated by the State Police in a manner consistent
with the provisions of the Manual and with any collective bargaining agreement
between the Town and the constables’/officers’ collective bargaining
representative, if any. The State Police may recommend the imposition of
appropriate disciplinary measures and/or remedial training for Town police
officers/constables. Imposition of discipline, if any, upon Town police
officers/constables, or assignment for additional training to remedy performance
deficiencies on the part of Town police officers/constables, shall be the
responsibility of the Town.

C. Evaluations

In accordance with its obligations under the MERA and consistent with the terms of
any collective bargaining agreement between the Town and constables’ or police
officers’ bargaining representative, the Town shall implement a work performance
evaluation system for all of the Town’s police officers or constables. Such work
performance evaluations shall be issued at least annually.

1. The Town recognizes that evaluations are: 1) an effective supervisor’s tool; and 2)
that they identify superior or substandard work performance.

2. Consistent with the terms of any collective bargaining agreement between the
Town and the constables’ or officers’ collective bargaining representative, the
Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper, if applicable, and DESPP shall
provide recommendations to the Town CEO concerning the periodic evaluation of
the work performance of Town police officers or constables.

3. The Town shall make the final disposition on all work performance evaluations.
Copies of completed work performance evaluations shall be filed in each Town
police officer’s/constable’s official personnel files which shall be available to
Resident State Police Supervisors and Troopers, as applicable, upon request.

III. Payment for Services Rendered

A. Costs and Schedule of Payments

The Town agrees to reimburse the State Police for the cost of compensation,
maintenance and other expenses, including reasonably necessary overtime costs, for
its assigned Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper(s), as applicable, consistent with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes Section 29-5, as may be amended, in accordance with the following:

1. The State Police shall invoice the Town on an annual basis, in arrears, for the accrued costs of services rendered under this Contract with the exception of overtime which shall be invoiced on a quarterly basis, in arrears.

2. The Town shall pay the State Police for the invoiced costs of services rendered under this Contract within thirty (30) days of receipt of each invoice. If the Town disputes all or a portion of a pending invoice, it shall be the responsibility of the Town CEO to notify the State Police in writing before payment is due.

3. The State Police shall have the right to assess a late fee in the amount of five percent (5%) of the unpaid balance of each invoice for which undisputed amounts remain unpaid after sixty (60) days. In calculating unpaid amounts, partial payments shall first be applied to the oldest outstanding balances, and then to each successive outstanding balance until fully paid.

IV. Risk of Loss and Indemnification

A. The Town assumes the risk of loss for any and all activity involving full or part-time Town constables, municipal police officers, other municipal employees providing police services, law enforcement officers providing police services pursuant to a mutual aid agreement with the Town, and Town police canines, and hereby agrees to hold harmless the State of Connecticut and the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, its officers, agents and employees, from any cause or action arising out of the activity of such full or part-time Town constables, police officers or other municipal employees providing police services, or if applicable, the activity of any town police canine, and to indemnify the State of Connecticut and the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, its officers, agents and employees, from any liability resulting from the same.

The Town shall hold harmless and indemnify the State of Connecticut and the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, its officers, agents, and employees, from any liability resulting from a cause or action founded either upon respondent superior or supervisory liability arising from the acts or omissions of full or part-time Town constables, police officers or other municipal employees providing police services, or, if applicable, the activity of any town police canine, made pursuant to a provision of the collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the constables' or officers' collective bargaining representative, that is in conflict with a provision of the Manual.

Additionally, the Town shall hold harmless and indemnify the State of Connecticut and the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, its officers, agents, and employees, from any liability resulting from any cause or action founded either
upon respondeat superior or supervisory liability arising from the acts or omissions of a constable or officer that has refused or failed to execute Exhibit A, attached hereto.

1. For the period covered by this Contract, the Town will insure itself and its employees with a $1,000,000.00 combined single limit police professional liability or law enforcement liability insurance policy, or its equivalent, naming the State of Connecticut and the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, its officers, agents and employees, as an additional insured with respect to any liability for acts of Town constables, municipal police officers or other municipal employees providing police services, law enforcement officers providing police services pursuant to a mutual aid agreement with the Town, or, if applicable, the activity of any town police canine, and submit a certificate of insurance (or self-insurance) to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection prior to the effective date of this Contract.

2. It is understood and agreed by the parties that each Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper, as applicable, exercising his or her police power or performing services pursuant to this Contract is an employee of the State of Connecticut and not of the Town and that, except to the extent limited by law, the State of Connecticut, and not the Town, is responsible for such Resident State Police Supervisor or Trooper’s actions while in the performance of their assigned duties.

V. Notices

Any written notices required under this Contract shall be delivered as follows:

If to the Town:

Name  MONTVILLE TOWN OF   
Street  310 NORWICH MILL TRL   
City/Town, Connecticut  UNČASULLE, CT 06382

If to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection:

Commissioner
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
1111 Country Club Road
Middletown, CT 06457-9294

VI. Governor’s Executive Orders

This Agreement is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor
John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of the Agreement as if they had been fully set forth in it. This agreement may also be subject to Executive Order No. 7C of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated July 13, 2006, concerning contracting reforms and Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services, in accordance with their respective terms and conditions.

VII. Amendment

This Contract may be amended by formal written amendment signed by the Parties. Any amendment to modify DESPP State Police staffing at the Town shall comply with its collective bargaining notice requirements.

VIII. Termination

This Contract shall remain in full force and effect for the entire term of the Contract period stated above unless sooner terminated by either the Town or the DESPP State Police by providing thirty (30) days prior written notice of its intent to terminate the Contract.

Town of Montville

By ___________________________
Its Duly Authorized ___________________________

Date: 7/11/17

State of Connecticut
Department of Emergency Services
and Public Protection

By ___________________________
Commissioner

Date: 07/17/2017
Approved as to Form:

[Signature]
Assistant Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General

Date: 7/24/17