

Approved Minutes
April 2, 2011

MINUTES
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3rd Floor
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

April 2, 2011 – 9:00 AM

Mayor Jason L. McCoy called the meeting to order at 9:22 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Bill Campbell, Daniel Champagne, Judy Hany, Marie Herbst, James Krupienski, Brian R. Motola, Harry D. Thomas, Michael A. Winkler

Absent: Daniel Anderson, Mark Etre, Sean O'Shea, Pauline Schaefer,

Entered During Meeting:

Also Present: Mayor Jason L. McCoy, Town Administrator John Ward, Assistant Town Administrator Peter Graczykowski, Recording Secretary Karen Daigle

CITIZEN'S FORUM

No one spoke at Citizen's Forum

Citizen's forum closed at 9:23 AM

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Jason L. McCoy and James Luddecke, Finance Officer and Treasurer to update the Town Council with any changes taking place from the March 26, 2011 meeting.

BUDGET REVIEW

THE FOLLOWING MOTION REMAINS ON THE FLOOR FROM THE MARCH 26, 2011 MEETING RELATIVE TO THE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUDGET:

A MOTION WAS MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HERBST, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KRUPIENSKI TO ADD \$14,000.00 TO LINE ITEM 58800. COUNCIL MEMBER ANDERSON MADE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO ADD A NEW LINE ITEM IN 58800 LABELED "DISCRETIONARY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING" IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5000.00. THE MAKER OF THE MAIN MOTION COUNCIL MEMBER HERBST DID NOT ACCEPT THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

THE FOLLOWING BUDGETS WERE OPENED ON MARCH 26, 2011 AND WERE LEFT OPEN AT THE RECESS:

1. ARTS COMMISSION
2. HISTORICAL SOCIETY
3. VERNON CEMETERY COMMISSION
4. ANIMAL CONTROL
5. DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT
6. PROBATE COURT
7. EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION

8. LAW
9. FINANCE ADMINISTRATION
10. INDEPENDENT AUDIT
11. TREASURY
12. PURCHASING
13. SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE
14. PENSION
15. GROUP INSURANCE
16. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION
17. MUNICIPAL INSURANCE
18. CONTINGENCY
19. DEBT SERVICE – PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS
20. DEBT SERVICE – INTEREST PAYMENTS

REMAINDER OF OPENED ACCOUNTS (SEE ACCOUNTS BELOW)

Community and Economic Development

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 23, account 10151171, in the amount of \$44,382, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place. Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Krupienski made a motion to add \$14,000 to line item 58800. Council Member Anderson made a friendly amendment to add a new line item in 58800 labeled “discretionary economic development funding” in the amount of \$5,000.

Motioner did not accept the friendly amendment.

Council Member Krupienski made a friendly motion to tab 5, page 23, account 10151171 to decrease Economic Development Targeted & EDC from \$38,448 to \$23,448 and add that amount to Rockville Downtown Association, increasing that account from zero to \$15,000. Motioner accepted the friendly amendment, seconded by Council Member Krupienski.

(9:44 AM) Council Member Winkler left the table and returned.

Council Member Winkler made a friendly amendment that the motion heard be shortened to read that \$15,000 be added to the Rockville Downtown Association line item and drop the rest of the motion.

Council Member Krupienski accepted the friendly amendment. Council Member Winkler, seconded by Council Member Thomas, made a motion to move the question. Motion passed unanimously. On the friendly amendment to add \$15,000 to Rockville Downtown Association, motion failed with 3 in favor, 4 opposed and 1 abstention.

RECESS (10:28 AM)

RECONVENE (10:48 AM)

Council Member Winkler, seconded by Council Member Herbst, made a motion to move the question. Motion passed unanimously. Original motion to add \$14,000 to line item 58800 failed, with 3 in favor, 4 opposed and 1 abstention. Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas, made a motion to add \$5,000 to line item 55800, Rockville Downtown Association, with said RDA to report to the Economic Development Commission. Council Member Herbst made a friendly amendment to add \$3,000, but the motion died due to no second. Council Member Winkler, seconded by Council Member Thomas, made a motion to move the question. Motion passed. Motion to add \$5,000 to line item 55800 passed with 6 in favor, 1 opposed and 1 abstention.

The final amount in tab 5, page 23, account 10151171 is \$49,382.

Arts Commission

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 9, page 61, account 10562260, in the amount of \$11,640, motion carried unanimously.

Historical Society

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 9, page 62, account 10562261, in the amount of \$5,500, motion carried unanimously.

Vernon Cemetery Commission

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 10, page 71, account 10826302, in the amount of \$152,999, motion carried unanimously.

Animal Control

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 6, page 31, account 10233188, in the amount of \$128,924, motion carried unanimously.
Discussion took place.

Dog License Account

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 12, page 78, account 22233410, in the amount of \$36,800, motion carried unanimously.
Discussion took place.

Probate Court

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 2, account 10111112, in the amount of \$16,172, motion carried unanimously.
Discussion took place.

Executive Administration

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 3, account 10112120, in the amount of \$727,234, motion carried unanimously.
Discussion took place. Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell, made a motion to reduce \$1,002 from tab 5, page 3, account 10112120 object code 55310 Telephone/Data Lines. Motion carried unanimously. Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell, made a motion to reduce \$6,474 from tab 5, page 3, account 10112120 object code 55310 Telephone/Data Lines. Motion carried unanimously.

(11:19 AM) Council Member Motola left the table.

(11:24 AM) Council Member Motola returned.

(11:40 AM) Mayor McCoy left the table.

(11:53 AM) Council Member Champagne left the table.

(11:56 AM) Council Member Champagne returned.

(12:02 PM) Council Member Campbell left the table.

(12:06 PM) Council Member Campbell returned.

(12:12 PM) Council Member Winkler left the meeting.

(12:14 PM) Mayor McCoy returned.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Krupinski, made a motion to reduce object code 55650 Professional Lobbying Firm by \$10,000 to an amount of \$15,000. Council Member Campbell, seconded by Council Member Herbst, made a motion to move the question. Motion passed unanimously. Motion to reduce object code failed, with 2 in favor and 5 opposed.

RECESS (12:23 PM)

RECONVENED (12:30 PM)

Debt Service – Interest Payments

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to go to tab 11, page 75, account 10883294 item code 59200 Debt-Interest and reduce \$29,550 to Bond interest – April, 2011 Roads. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to go to tab 11, page 75, account 10883294 item code 59200 Debt-Interest and reduce \$39,780 to Bond interest – April, 2011 Schools. Motion carried unanimously.

Debt Service – Principal Payments

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to go to tab 11, page 74, account 10883292 item code 59170 Debt-Principal and add \$10,000 to Lease-DPW containers-New. Motion carried with 1 abstention.

Police

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open tab 6, page 24, account 10230180 item code 55340 Police, motion carried unanimously. Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to reduce \$1,300 to Internet Account. Motion carried with Council Member Champagne abstaining.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 6, page 24, account 10230180 in the amended amount of \$5,700,375, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close all open accounts with amendments, as follows:

Executive Administration

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 5, page 3, account 10112120 in the amount of \$719,758.

Law

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 4, account 10112121, in the amount of \$160,000, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 5, page 4, account 10112121, in the amount of \$160,000.

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Finance Administration

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 9, account 10114140, in the amount of \$436,896, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 5, page 9, account 10114140, in the amount of \$436,896.

Independent Audit

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 10, account 10114141, in the amount of \$48,980, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 5, page 10, account 10114141, in the amount of \$48,980.

Treasury

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 11, account 10114142, in the amount of \$22,855, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 5, page 11, account 10114142, in the amount of \$22,855.

Purchasing

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 5, page 12, account 10114143, in the amount of \$10,050, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 5, page 12, account 10114143, in the amount of \$10,050.

Social Security and Medicare

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 10, page 64, account 10670270, in the amount of \$918,000, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 10, page 64, account 10670270, in the amount of \$918,000.

Pension

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 10, page 65, account 10670271, in the amount of \$1,850,359, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 10, page 65, account 10670271, in the amount of \$1,850,359.

Group Insurance

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 10, page 66, account 10670272, in the amount of \$3,092,993, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 10, page 66, account 10670272, in the amount of \$3,092,993.

Unemployment Compensation

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 10, page 67, account 10670273, in the amount of \$25,000, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 10, page 67, account 10670273, in the amount of \$25,000.

Municipal Insurance

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 10, page 68, account 10671278, in the amount of \$752,619, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 10, page 68, account 10671278, in the amount of \$752,619.

Contingency

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 10, page 69, account 10671280, in the amount of \$220,000, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 10, page 69, account 10671280, in the amount of \$220,000.

Debt Service – Principal Payments

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 11, page 74, account 10883292, in the amount of \$4,291,642.

Debt Service – Interest Payments

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close tab 11, page 75, account 10883294, in the amount of \$1,912,370.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Krupienski made an amendment to the motion to close (inaudible). Amendment failed.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made an amendment to the motion to close changing one of the lines being closed for capital improvements.

(12:44 PM) Council Member Krupienski left the meeting.

Meeting recessed due to lack of a quorum, to an undetermined date. Council Member Motola's original motion to close all accounts is still open.

Received: April 5, 2011

Approved: June 7, 2011

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen C. Daigle
Recording Secretary

Bernice K. Dixon
Town Clerk
Clerk of the Council

