

AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3rd Floor
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2009
7:30 P.M.

A.) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

ROLL CALL

CITIZEN'S FORUM

Receive public comment regarding the Justice Assistance Grant through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. **(Notice of Public Solicitation is attached for your review).**

Receive comments from any citizen wishing to speak regarding issues of interest to them.

B.) **PUBLIC HEARING**

PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO THE "PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2009 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION", TO SOLICIT CITIZEN INPUT AND ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR SAME. (A copy of the legal notice is included for your review. L. Wagner and Associates, our consulting firm will be present to answer questions).

MAYOR MCCOY CALLS THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER
TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

CLERK READS THE LEGAL NOTICE

MAYOR MCCOY AND TOWN COUNCIL RECEIVE COMMENTS

ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

C.) PRESENTATION

State Senator Tony Guglielmo, State Representative Joan Lewis and State Representative Claire Janowski may, if their schedules permit, join the Vernon Town Council for a discussion regarding State Revenue Estimates. (Meetings scheduled at the Capital may prevent them from attending.)

D.) CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- C 1. Request for Tax Refunds for the Current Year.** (A copy of a memorandum from Carol L Nelson, Collector of Revenue to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated March 30, 2009 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES SIX (6) TAX REFUNDS TOTALLING \$3,301.85 FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM THE COLLECTOR OF REVENUE, CAROL L. NELSON TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR JOHN D. WARD DATED MARCH 30, 2009.

- C 2. Request the Town Council authorize a bid waiver for High Efficiency Lighting for twelve Town of Vernon buildings.** (Copy of a memorandum from John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated April 2, 2009 to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Town Council is included for your review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER XII, SECTION 9, OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, DETERMINES THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO WAIVE THE BID PROCEDURE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A HIGH EFFICIENCY LIGHTING SYSTEM UPGRADE FOR TWELVE TOWN BUILDINGS FROM CON SERV, INC., THROUGH CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,436.30. AFTER INVESTIGATION, THIS SUPPLIER IS FOUND TO MATCH THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF VERNON AND THE COSTS OF SAME.

- C 3. Request the Town Council authorizes the Mayor Jason L. McCoy to apply for the FY 2010 Historic Documents Preservation Grant Program.** (A copy of the memorandum from Town Clerk Bernice Dixon to Jason L. McCoy, Mayor; John D. Ward, Town Administrator; and Vernon Town Council Members is included for your review.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION #1:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER IN THE NAME OF AND ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF VERNON A CONTRACT WITH THE CONNECTICUT STATE LIBRARY FOR AN HISTORIC DOCUMENTS PRESERVATION GRANT.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION #2:

THE TOWN COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF VERNON ADOPTS AS ITS POLICY TO SUPPORT THE NONDISCRIMINATION AGREEMENTS AND WARRANTIES REQUIRED UNDER CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES SUBSECTION 4A-60(A)(1), AS AMENDED IN STATE OF CONNECTICUT PUBLIC ACT 07-245 AND SECTIONS 9(A)(1) AND 10(A)(1) OF PUBLIC ACT 07-142.

- C 4. Request the Town Council adopt the State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development Certified Resolution; authorize the Mayor to execute and file the CDBG Grant Application in order to undertake Street Improvements in the Rockville Area and to execute the necessary Assistance Agreement.** (Copies supporting documents attached.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ADOPTS THE CERTIFIED RESOLUTION ENTITLED "DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - STATE OF CONNECTICUT, CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY". SAID RESOLUTION AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR, JASON L. MCCOY TO EXECUTE AND FILE THE CDBG GRANT APPLICATION FOR 2009 ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF VERNON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00, TO UNDERTAKE STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE ROCKVILLE AREA. FURTHER THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY TO EXECUTE THE ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT FOR SAME.

- C 5. Request the Town Council authorize the Mayor to apply for the Justice Assistance Grant through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.** (Chief James Kenny will be present to answer your questions regarding the Grant Application.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY TO APPLY FOR THE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT THROUGH THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,000.00 (FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS) AND AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR SAME.

E.) IDENTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

F.) PENDING BUSINESS

G.) NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Request that the Town Council return to the recessed 2009-2010 Budget Discussion to continue and complete their final deliberations. Finance Officer James Luddecke to be present to conduct a revenue discussion and answer questions. Finally, the Town Council is requested to approve the total budget for Town Meeting at the conclusion of discussions.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

To Be Determined.

- 2. Request that the Town Council entertain a discussion regarding local property tax aid to seniors as requested by Council member Marie Herbst.** (A copy of Council member Herbst memorandum dated March 23, 2009 is included for your review. Tax Assessor, David Wheeler will be present to answer questions and distribute the most up to date information for the Council's review.)

H.) **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

I.) **ACTION ON ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED**

J.) **DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

K.) **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

L.) **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

M.) **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**