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AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN HALL – 14 PARK PLACE – 3RD FLOOR
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020
7:30 P.M.

- A.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B.) ROLL CALL
- C.) CITIZENS FORUM

- D.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

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THE TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 1-200 (6) (E) AND 1-210 (13), HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PENDING INVESTIGATION AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; JEFFREY A. O'NEILL, FINANCE OFFICER AND TREASURER AND DAWN MASELEK, ASSISTANT TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ATTEND.

THE TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 1-200 (6) (D) HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; JEFFREY A. O'NEILL, FINANCE OFFICER AND TREASURER; AND DAWN MASELEK, ASSISTANT TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ATTEND.

THE TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 1-200 (6) (C) HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS SECURITY AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND JEFFREY A. O'NEILL, FINANCE OFFICER AND TREASURER TO ATTEND.

THE TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 1-200 (6) (D) HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; DAWN MASELEK, ASSISTANT TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND STEVEN PRATTSON, BUILDING OFFICIAL TO ATTEND.

- E.) PUBLIC HEARING

F.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to make a presentation to the Town Council on various topics.

Updates on the Hartford Foundation Grants by Town Administrator Michael J. Purcaro and Lt. William Meier, Vernon Police Department.

Update on the Sustainable CT Community Match Fund by Town Administrator Michael J. Purcaro; Shaun Gately, Economic Development Coordinator and Leslie Campolongo, Grant and Project Coordinator.

G.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

- C 1. Request the Town Council approve Tax Refunds for Prior and Current years. (See copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue, to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator dated January 8, 2020 included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES ONE HUNDRED SIXTY (160) PRIOR YEAR TAX REFUNDS TOTALING \$46,396.32 AND SEVENTEEN (17) CURRENT YEAR TAX REFUNDS TOTALING \$2834.61 AS REFERENCED IN THE LETTER FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED JANUARY 8, 2020.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve budget amendment #5, #6 and #7 for fiscal year 2019-2020 as provided by Finance Officer and Treasurer Jeffrey O'Neill on the budget amendment forms attached. (See budget forms with explanation attached to this agenda item.)

PROPOSED MOTION

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS #5, #6 and #7 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 AS PROVIDED BY JEFFREY O'NEILL FINANCE OFFICER AND TREASURER, ON THE ATTACHED BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Michael Guminiak, (R), 19 Duncaster Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission, said term to commence on January 22, 2020 and expires December 31, 2022. (A copy of Mr. Guminiak's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 8, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S REAPPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL GUMINIAK, (R), 19 DUNCASTER LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE INLAND WETLANDS REGULATORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 22, 2020 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2022.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of Eva Perrina, (U), 73 Riverside Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Design Review Advisory Commission, said term to commence on January 22, 2020 and expires on December 31, 2022.** (A copy of Ms. Perrina's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE #268, TOWN CODE SEC. 10-105 - 10-108 THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF EVA PERRINA, (U), 73 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 22, 2020 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2022.

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve the disposal of assets from the Finance and Public Works Departments.** (See memorandum dated January 15, 2020 from Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS FOR THE FINANCE AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS AS DISCLOSED ON THE FIXED ASSET DISPOSAL FORMS.

- C 6. Request the Town Council approve the IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate.** (See memorandum dated January 14, 2020 from Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ADOPTS THE IRS RATE FOR AUTOMOBILE MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS UNLESS ANOTHER RATE EXISTS IN A BARGAINING UNIT CONTRACT.

H.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

I.) PENDING BUSINESS

J.) NEW BUSINESS

1. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of the new Town Planner. (A copy of the candidate's resume and job description are included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER X, SEC. 3 AND CHAPTER XI, SEC. 1, 3, AND 13 OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF GEORGE K. MCGREGOR, TOWN PLANNER FOR THE TOWN OF VERNON.

2. Request the Town Council approve the plans for the Vernon Dog Park as presented. (See the attached map for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE PLANS FOR THE VERNON DOG PARK AS PRESENTED.

3. Request the Town Council approve dates for 2020-2021 budget meetings. (See memorandum dated January 21, 2020 to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne, the Vernon Town Council and Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator from Diane Wheelock, Executive Assistant relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION #1

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY SCHEDULES THE FOLLOWING BUDGET MEETING DATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS:

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020; MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2020; THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020 AND MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020 WITH A START TIME OF 7:00 PM, AND SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020; SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020 WITH A START TIME OF 9:00 AM. PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020 BEGINNING AT 9:05 AM AND MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2020 WITH A START TIME OF 7:05 PM TO HEAR COMMENT AND ANSWER QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO THE 2020-2021 TOWN OF VERNON BUDGET. ALL BUDGET MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THIRD FLOOR, TOWN HALL, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT.

PROPOSED MOTION #2

PURSUANT TO CHARTER, CHAPTER VI "ANNUAL TOWN MEETING", THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY SCHEDULES, TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2020 AS THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND FINAL PUBLIC HEARING, TO HEAR COMMENT AND ANSWER QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO THE 2020-2021 TOWN OF VERNON BUDGET. THE APRIL 28, 2020 PUBLIC HEARING AND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE ROCKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, LOVELAND HILL ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT BEGINNING AT 7:00PM.

- 4. **Request the Town Council approve the auditors for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.** (See memorandum dated January 21, 2020 from Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

RESOLVED, THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPOINTS THE FIRM OF MAHONEYSABOL OF 180 GLASTONBURY BOULEVARD, GLASTONBURY, CONNECTICUT AS AUDITORS TO AUDIT THE BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS OF THE TOWN OF VERNON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACT #2007 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$79,050.00 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 AUDIT.

K.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

L.) ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

M.) IDENTIFICATION/ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

N.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

O.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ON **JANUARY 7, 2020** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

P.) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS,
CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, ETC. NOT REQUIRING ACTION

1. Monthly Report for December, 2019 – Town Clerk, as submitted by Karen Daigle, Town Clerk.
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Q.) ADJOURNMENT