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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2011
7:00 P.M.

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

D.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE TOWN COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES § 1-200(6) (B), HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION RELATIVE TO DOCKET NO. 19119484 DARRIN TRANTER VS TOWN OF VERNON AND INVITES THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND: JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; AND ATTORNEY RICHARD BARTLETT OF MCGANN, BARTLETT AND BROWN, LLC.

E.) PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "**ORDINANCE ADOPTING REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF FIRE HYDRANTS AND STREET LIGHTS WITHIN TOWN'S RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM COMPLEXES AND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS**"

MAYOR APEL CALLS THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER
CLERK READS THE LEGAL NOTICE INTO THE RECORD

MAYOR APEL CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT

MAYOR CALLS FOR THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

F.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

G.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

- C 1. Request for Tax Refunds for Prior and Current Years.** (A copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue, to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated November 23, 2011 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES ONE (1) OVERPAYMENT FOR THE PRIOR YEAR TOTALLING \$25.52 AND SEVEN (7) OVERPAYMENTS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR TOTALLING \$771.16, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED NOVEMBER 23, 2011.

- C 2. Request the Town Council authorize Mayor George F. Apel to execute the necessary documents to apply and receive the Local Prevention Council Grant from ERASE in the amount of \$4245.00.** (See memorandum dated November 14, 2011 from Alan M. Slobodien, Director, Vernon Youth Services Bureau to John D. Ward, Town Administrator.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

RESOLVE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIVE LOCAL PREVENTION COUNCIL GRANT FUNDS FROM ERASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4245.00.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of William E. Roch, (R), 14 Lantern Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Roch's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1,6 & 11 DATED JANUARY 1, 1985; C.G.S. §8-4A&B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM E. ROCH, (R), 14 LANTERN LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2014.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Stanley Cohen, (D), 67 Meadowview Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Cohen's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1,6 & 11 DATED JANUARY 1, 1985; C.G.S. §8-4A&B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF STANLEY COHEN (D), 67 MEADOWVIEW LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2014..

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Harry Derwent Thomas, (R), 125 Dockerel Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Thomas' resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1,6 & 11 DATED JANUARY 1, 1985; C.G.S. §8-4A&B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF HARRY DERWENT THOMAS (R), 125 DOCKEREL ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2014.

- C 6. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of H. Russell Kunz, (R), 26 Valley View Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Conservation Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.**(A copy of Mr. Kunz's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO TOWN OF VERNON ORDINANCE # 189 - TOWN CODE SECTION 10-91 & 10-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF H. RUSSELL KUNZ, (R), 26 VALLEY VIEW LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO BEGIN JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

- C 7. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Thomas R. Ouellette (D), 57 Hany Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Conservation Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.**(A copy of Mr. Ouellette's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO TOWN OF VERNON ORDINANCE # 189 - TOWN CODE SECTION 10-91 & 10-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF THOMAS R. OUELLETTE, (D), 57 HANY LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO BEGIN JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

- C 8. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's appointment of Lynda Morhardt, (D), 114 Valley Falls Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission, said term to commence on December 7, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Ms. Morhardt's resume is included for Council review.) (Ms. Morhardt is presently an alternate and is being moved to fill the vacated seat of Mr. Kopec.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 8, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S APPOINTMENT OF LYNDA MORHARDT, (D), 114 VALLEY FALLS ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE INLAND WETLANDS REGULATORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON DECEMBER 7, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 9. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Jeffrey T. Pescosolido, (U), 96 Brent Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Pescosolido's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 8, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY T. PESCOSOLIDO, (U), 96 BRENT DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE INLAND WETLANDS REGULATORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

- C 10. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of John K. Anderson, (R), 20 Hemlock Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a Special Constable, said term to commence January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Anderson's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO C.G.S. §7-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN K. ANDERSON, (R), 20 HEMLOCK DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A SPECIAL CONSTABLE, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 11. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Christopher A. Haddock, (D), 38 Merline Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of Municipal Flood and Erosion Control, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Haddock's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE #226, THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER A. HADDOCK, (D), 38 MERLINE ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

- C 12. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Steve Wakefield (R), 152 Brookview Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as the Town of Vernon Citation Hearing Officer, said term to commence January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Wakefield's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE #215, TOWN CODE 2-5, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE #218 TO ENFORCE ORDINANCES #214 AND #216 THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF STEVE WAKEFIELD (R), 152 BROOKVIEW DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS THE TOWN OF VERNON CITATION HEARING OFFICER, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

H.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

I.) PENDING BUSINESS

J.) NEW BUSINESS

1. **Request the Town Council approve the commitment of available funds in the Education Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditure Account in the amount of \$100,000.00.** (A copy of a letter from Mary P. Conway, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools dated November 29, 2011 to the Town Council is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE COMMITMENT OF AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE EDUCATION RESERVE FOR CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 FOR THE COSTS RELATING TO PHASE I OF THE VERNON CENTER MIDDLE SCHOOL CHIMNEY REPAIR-STABILIZATION AND LINING OF THE CHIMNEY.

2. **Request the Town Council authorize both a Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting for December 20, 2011 regarding an additional appropriation for Storm Alfred in an amount of \$667,000.00 to the Fiscal Year 2011-2012.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER XII SECTION 10 (F) OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETING FOR DECEMBER 20, 2011 AT 7:05 PM ON THE THIRD FLOOR, TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE TOWN HALL MEMORIAL BUILDING, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT TO HEAR COMMENT AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION.

K.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

L.) ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

“ORDINANCE NO. , AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF FIRE HYDRANTS AND STREET LIGHTS WITHIN TOWN’S RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM COMPLEXES AND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS”

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 MEETING OF **NOVEMBER 15, 2011** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

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

1. Monthly Police Department Report – October, 2011 as prepared by Captain Stephen M. Clark.
2. *Revised* “Town Council Rules and Procedures” effective November 15, 2011.