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AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3RD FLOOR
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2021
7:30 P.M.

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

D.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION #1

THE TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 1-200 (2), HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL, AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND DAWN MASELEK, ASSISTANT TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ATTEND.

EXECUTIVE SESSION #2

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 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ATTEND.

EXECUTIVE SESSION #3

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 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND SHAUN GATELY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR TO ATTEND.

E.) PUBLIC HEARING

F.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

- Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to present a Proclamation thanking ***Distinctive Tree Care*** and owner Jason Yerke for the donation of professional services assisting with the removal of roadside trees near the entrance to Valley Falls Park.
- Mayor Daniel A. Champagne presents the inductees for the ***Volunteer Wall of Honor***
 - Anne Fischer
 - Tim Poloski
 - Christy Vale
 - Marie Herbst
- Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to present a Proclamation to Daniel Wasilewski, Fire Marshal in honor of ***Fire Prevention Week, October 3-9, 2021***.
- Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to update the Town Council on various topics.

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 September 17, 2021 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES TWENTY-SIX (26) PRIOR YEAR TAX REFUNDS TOTALING \$6,512.69 AND TWENTY-THREE (23) CURRENT YEAR TAX REFUNDS TOTALING \$7,302.80 AS REFERENCED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED SEPTEMBER 17, 2021.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve FY21 budget amendment requests #19, #20, #21, #22, #23, #24, #25, #26, #27 and #28 as submitted by Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer.** (See memorandum from Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne and Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS **#19, #20, #21, #22, #23, #24, #25, #26, #27 AND #28 FOR FY21** AS PROVIDED ON THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS SUBMITTED BY JEFFREY A. O'NEILL, FINANCE OFFICER AND TREASURER.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of William Francis, (R), 41 Pinnacle Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, said term to commence October 6, 2021 and expires on June 30, 2024.** (A copy of Mr. Francis' resume is included for Council review. Mr. Francis will be completing the unexpired term of James Ferguson.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO VERNON'S CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 2 & 6; THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM FRANCIS, (R), 41 PINNACLE ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, SAID TERM TO BEGIN ON OCTOBER 6, 2021 AND EXPIRES JUNE 30, 2024.

H.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

L.) PENDING BUSINESS

J.) NEW BUSINESS

1. **Request the Town Council submit application for Local Prevention Council Grant funds on behalf of the Local Prevention Council to support initiatives to prevent substance abuse by minors in the amount of \$9,142.00.** (See the memorandum from Michelle Hill, Director of Youth Services to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator regarding same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIVE LOCAL PREVENTION COUNCIL GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,142.00.

2. **Request the Town Council submit application to the State of Connecticut Department of Housing, through the Small Cities Grant Program on behalf of KIDSAFE CT.** (See memorandum from Peter Testa, A & E Services Group, LLC., to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator dated September 29, 2021 requesting same.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLVE, THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL, ON BEHALF OF KIDSAFE, CT DOES HEREBY APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF A STATE OF CONNECTICUT, SMALL CITIES GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000. THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER APPROVES THE RESOLUTION ENTITLED, "**CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF APPLICANT CONNECTICUT SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**", AS PRESENTED.

3. **Request the Town Council approve and authorize the Vernon Cemetery Commission to purchase a mower for the Vernon Cemetery Department.**
(See memorandum dated September 30, 2021 from Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer to Daniel A. Champagne, Mayor and Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES AND AUTHORIZES THE VERNON CEMETERY COMMISSION TO PURCHASE A MOWER FOR THE VERNON CEMETERY DEPARTMENT.

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 **SEPTEMBER 21, 2021** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

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

Q.) ADJOURNMENT