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AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2022
7:30 P.M.

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VERNON TOWN CLERK
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- A.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - B.) ROLL CALL
 - C.) CITIZEN CITATIONS AND AWARDS
 - D.) CITIZENS FORUM
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E.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

F.) PUBLIC HEARING (7:35 PM)

PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REGARDING THE **"NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT SUBMISSIONS FOR 2022"**.

MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE TO CALL THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER

TOWN CLERK READS THE LEGAL NOTICE

MAYOR CHAMPAGNE AND TOWN COUNCIL RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING

NOTE: Action to be considered in **"Section K – New Business #1"**

G.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to update the Town Council on various topics.

Update provided by Robert Grasis, Director Water Pollution Control relative to the Water Pollution Control Plant Upgrade.

H.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

- C 1. Request the Town Council approve the tax refunds for current year totaling \$32,027.96 as outlined in the memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue.** (See memorandum dated May 19, 2022 to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES SEVENTY-NINE (79) TAX REFUNDS FOR CURRENT YEAR TOTALING \$32,027.96 AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED MAY 19, 2022.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve the budget amendment requests #15, #16, #17, #18, #19 and #20 as presented.** (See budget amendment forms attached for Council review. Also see memorandum dated May 31, 2022 from Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer & Treasurer to Daniel A. Champagne, Mayor and Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS, #15, #16, #17, #18, #19 AND #20 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 AS PROVIDED ON THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS ATTACHED BY FINANCE OFFICER AND TREASURER JEFFREY A. O'NEILL.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve the amended end date for the appointment of Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer from June 30, 2022 to March 5, 2023.** (Mr. O'Neill should have received a full four year term.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER IX, SECTION TWO OF THE TOWN CHARTER, ENTITLED "OFFICERS AND BOARDS APPOINTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL, HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY A. O'NEILL, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS TOWN TREASURER, SAID **AMENDED** TERM BEGAN ON MARCH 6, 2019 AND EXPIRES ON MARCH 5, 2023.

I.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

J.) PENDING BUSINESS

K.) NEW BUSINESS

1. **Request the Town Council endorse the applications for the Neighborhood Assistance Act 2022 by the Village for Families and Children and Opportunity Works Inc.** (See memorandum from Matt Hellman, Director of Social Services included in the Council packet dated May 24, 2022 relative to same. Mr. Hellman will be present to answer any questions.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ENDORSES THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT 2022 BY THE *VILLAGE FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN AND OPPORTUNITY WORKS, INC.*

2. **Request the Town Council approve the vehicle tax rate adjustment.** (See memorandum by Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer to Daniel A. Champagne, Mayor and Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator dated May 12, 2022.)

PROPOSED MOTION

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES A REVISED MOTOR VEHICLE MILL RATE OF 32.46 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023.

3. **Request the Town Council approve the asset disposal request by the Vernon Public Schools.** (See memorandum dated May 12, 2022 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

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE DISPOSAL OF ASSETS FOR THE VERNON PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS DISCLOSED ON THE REQUEST FOR DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS FORM.

4. **Request the Town Council approve the bid waiver for the purchase of the Aruba Wireless System.** (See memorandum dated May 23, 2022 from Robert Sigan, Director of Information Systems & Communication Technology to Mayor Daniel Champagne, Michael Purcaro, Town Administrator and Jeffrey O'Neill, Chief Finance Officer relative to same.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN CHARTER, CHAPTER 12, SECTION 9, DETERMINES THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO WAIVE THE BID PROCEDURE FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE **ARUBA Wi-Fi WIRELESS SYSTEM FROM ATLANTIC COMPUTING FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.00** AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SIGN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS FOR SAME.

5. **Request the Town Council approve the waiver of interest on motor vehicle bill list number 2020-03-0077156.** (See memorandum dated May 12, 2022 from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue to the Town Council relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY WAIVES THE INTEREST ON MOTOR VEHICLE BILL LIST NUMBER 2020-03-0077156 AS PRESENTED IN THE MEMORANDUM DATED MAY 12, 2022 FROM TERRY HJARNE, TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE TOWN OF VERNON.

L.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

M.) ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

N.) IDENTIFICATION/ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

O.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

P.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ON **MAY 17, 2022** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

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

R.) ADJOURNMENT