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AGENDA  
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL  
**REGULAR MEETING**

TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2022**  
7:30 P.M.

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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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION #1**

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 #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 (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.

F.) PUBLIC HEARING

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**G.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION**

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

Update of the Water Pollution Control Facility Upgrade. Rob Grasis, Director WPCF to be present to answer questions.

Proclamation proclaiming **Constitution Week in the Town of Vernon, September 17<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>**. DAR Member Ada Thompson will receive the proclamation on behalf of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Proclamation for **National Senior Center Month** in the Town of Vernon. Members of the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee and Senior Center Staff will be in attendance.

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**H.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA**

- C 1. Request the Town Council approve the tax refunds for prior and current year taxes as outlined in the memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue.** (See memorandum dated September 2, 2022 to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue relative to same.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES EIGHT (8) TAX REFUNDS FOR PRIOR YEARS TOTALING \$1,880.77 AND FIFTY-SEVEN (57) REFUNDS FOR CURRENT YEAR TOTALING \$52,026.16 AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 2022.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve FY 22 budget amendment requests #28, #29, #30, #31, #32, #33 and #34 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 dated September 14, 2022 relative to same.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST #28, #29, #30, #31, #32, #33 AND #34 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 AS PROVIDED ON THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORM SUBMITTED BY FINANCE OFFICER AND TREASURER JEFFREY A. O'NEILL.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne appointment of John Leary, (R), 26 Hany Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as the Town of Vernon Citation Hearing Officer, said term to commence on September 21, 2022 and expires September 20, 2024. (A copy of Mr. Leary'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 DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF JOHN LEARY, (R), 26 HANY LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS THE TOWN OF VERNON CITATION HEARING OFFICER, SAID NEW TERM TO COMMENCE ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 AND EXPIRES SEPTEMBER 20, 2024.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of Thomasina C. Russell, (D), 21 Chamberlain Street, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Risk Management Advisory Committee, said term to commence on August 21, 2022 and expires August 30, 2025. (A copy of Ms. Russell's resume is included for Council review.)**

**PROPOSED MOTION**

PURSUANT TO THE TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION DATED NOVEMBER 18, 1986 AND TOWN CHARTER CHAPTER XV, SECTION 3, THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF THOMASINA C. RUSSELL, (D), 21 CHAMBERLAIN STREET, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE RISK MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 AND EXPIRES AUGUST 30, 2025.

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of Nancy Sirois, (U), 155 Daryl Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Vernon Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, said term to commence on September 21, 2022 and ends June 30, 2025. (A copy of Ms. Sirois' resume is included for Council review.)**

**PROPOSED MOTION**

PURSUANT TO VERNON'S CHARTER CHAP. XV, SEC. 3; EST. 03-02-1982, THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF NANCY SIROIS (U), 155 DARYL DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SAID TERM TO BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 AND EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2025.

**I.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS**

**J.) PENDING BUSINESS**

**K.) NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Request the Town Council approve the disposal of items for the Data Processing and Administration Departments.** (See memorandum from Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer to Daniel A. Champagne, Mayor and Michael J. Purcaro, Finance Officer & Treasurer dated September 1, 2022 relative to same.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE DISPOSAL OF ASSETS AS DISCLOSED ON THE REQUEST FOR DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS FORMS FOR THE DATA PROCESSING AND ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENTS.

- 2. Request the Town Council approve the disposal of items for the Vernon Public Schools as disclosed on the request for disposal of fixed assets forms.** (See memorandum from Jeffrey A. O'Neill, Finance Officer and Treasurer to Daniel A. Champagne, Mayor and Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator dated September 15, 2022 relative to same.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

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

- 3. Request the Town Council accept with great appreciation the donation by the Berger Family in the amount of \$9,688.00 to purchase a new softball field scoreboard for Henry Park.** (See memorandum from Marty Sitler, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator dated September 7, 2022 relative to same.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ACCEPTS WITH GREAT APPRECIATION THE GIFT OF \$9,688.00 FROM THE BERGER FAMILY IN HONOR OF DON BERGER FORMER DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION. THE DONATION IS MADE TO PURCHASE A NEW SCOREBOARD FOR THE SOFTBALL FIELD AT HENRY PARK.

- 4. Request the Town Council approve the request from Development Services Director Shaun Gately to fund Consultant Support Services with ARPA funding in the amount not to exceed \$400,000.00.**(See memorandum from Director Shaun Gately to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator dated August 24, 2022 relative to same.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE REQUEST FOR CONSULTANT SUPPORT SERVICES FUNDED THROUGH ARPA FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000.

**L.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

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**M.) ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED**

**N.) IDENTIFICATION/ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

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**O.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

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**P.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ON **AUGUST 16, 2022** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

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

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**R.) ADJOURNMENT**