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VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023
7:30 P.M.

- 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) (B), HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS STRATEGY AND NEGOTIATIONS WITH RESPECT TO PENDING CLAIMS OR PENDING LITIGATION AND INVITES MICHAEL J. PURCARO, 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.

Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to present Citations of Appreciation to Bill Campbell, Ann Letendre, John O'Connell and Ariana Nieves-Matias for their service on the Council.

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 December 11, 2023 to Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES TWO (2) TAX REFUNDS FOR PRIOR YEARS TOTALING \$3628.48 AND FOUR (4) REFUNDS FOR CURRENT YEAR TOTALING \$3505.15 AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO MICHAEL J. PURCARO, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED DECEMBER 11, 2023.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of John B. O'Connell, (R), 170 Blue Ridge Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as an alternate member of the Conservation Commission, said term to commence January 1, 2024 and expires December 31, 2026.** (A copy of Mr. O'Connell'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 DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF JOHN B. O'CONNELL, (R), 170 BLUE RIDGE DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO BEGIN JANUARY 1, 2024 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2026.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of Joseph Miller, (R), 27 Tallwood Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission, said term to commence on January 2, 2024 and expires December 31, 2024.** (A copy of Mr. Miller's resume is included for Council review. It should be noted that Mr. Miller is completing the unexpired term of Ms. Reudgen.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 8, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH MILLER, (R), 27 TALLWOOD DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE INLAND WETLANDS REGULATORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 2, 2024 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2024.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of Susan Reudgen, (R), 61 East Street, Vernon, Connecticut as an alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence January 2, 2024 and expires December 31, 2027.** (A copy of Ms. Reudgen's resume is included for Council review. It should be noted that Ms. Reudgen is completing the unexpired term of Steven Ransom.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1, 6 & 11, AND CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES SEC. 8-4 A & B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF SUSAN REUDGEN, (R), 61 EAST STREET, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, TO ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 2, 2024 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2027.

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne appointment of Frank Borysevicz (R), 93 Thrall Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Board of Ethics, said term to commence on December 20, 2023 and continues November 30, 2028.** (A copy of Mr. Borysevicz's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE # 173, TOWN CODE SEC. 2-91 - 2-98; THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF FRANK BORYSEVICZ (R), 93 THRALL ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ETHICS, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON DECEMBER 20, 2023 AND ENDS ON NOVEMBER 30, 2028.

- C 6. 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 Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2024 and expires December 31, 2026.** (A copy of Ms. Perrina'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. §8-4 A&B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF EVA PERRINA, (U), 73 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2024 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2026.

I.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

J.) PENDING BUSINESS

K.) NEW BUSINESS

1. **Request the Town Council approve the purchase of four Aiming Lasers for the Vernon Police Department.** (See memorandum from Chief John Kelley dated November 3, 2023 to Michael Purcaro, Town Administrator relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE PURCHASE OF FOUR AIMING LASERS FOR THE VERNON POLICE DEPARTMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$14,658.87 FROM PROFORCE WITH FUNDING FROM THE STATE ASSET FORFEITURE ACCOUNT. THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER AUTHORIZES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SIGN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS FOR SAME.

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 OF **DECEMBER 5, 2023** AND MOVES TO APPROVE SAID MINUTES.

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

R.) ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Daniel A. Champagne invites you to join him in his office for a holiday celebration at the conclusion of the meeting.