

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2009
7:30 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL

C. CITIZENS FORUM

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

E. PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

Mayoral Proclamation - presented to Robert Wojteczko, retiring member of the workforce in the Department of Public Works.

Mayor Jason L. McCoy to present information regarding the State of Connecticut deficit recently received by the Town of Vernon.

F. ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

C 1. Request for Tax Refunds Prior Years and Current Year.

(A copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue, to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated November 23, 2009 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES ONE (1) TAX REFUND TOTALING \$ 92.02 FOR PRIOR YEARS AND NINE (9) TAX REFUNDS TOTALING \$1004.59 FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED NOVEMBER 23, 2009.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve the following Budget Amendments #7 & 8 for fiscal year 2009-2010, as provided by James Luddecke, Finance Officer.** (A copy of the budget amendment request is included in the Council's packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS # 7 & 8, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010, AS OUTLINED IN THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS PROVIDED BY JAMES LUDDECKE, FINANCE OFFICER.

- C 3. Request the Town Council reaffirm the Mayor's appointment of Harold Cummings as Town Attorney.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER XI, SECTION 5, ENTITLED 'OTHER OFFICERS', HEREBY REAFFIRMS THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF HAROLD CUMMINGS AS TOWN ATTORNEY.

- C 4. Request the Town Council reaffirm the Mayor's appointment of Susan Boyan as Assistant Town Attorney.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER XI, SECTION 5, ENTITLED 'OTHER OFFICERS', HEREBY REAFFIRMS THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF SUSAN BOYAN AS ASSISTANT TOWN ATTORNEY.

- C 5. Request the Town Council reaffirm the Mayor's appointment of Martin Burke as Assistant Town Attorney.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER XI, SECTION 5, ENTITLED 'OTHER OFFICERS', HEREBY REAFFIRMS THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MARTIN BURKE AS ASSISTANT TOWN ATTORNEY.

- C 6. Request the Town Council reaffirm the Mayor's appointment of Aaron Jainchill as Assistant Town Attorney.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER XI, SECTION 5, ENTITLED 'OTHER OFFICERS', HEREBY REAFFIRMS THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF AARON JAINCHILL AS ASSISTANT TOWN ATTORNEY.

- C 7. Request the Town Council approve the Mayor's appointment of Robert Kleinhans, Director of Public Works, 375 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, Connecticut to the Traffic Authority, as a regular member, said new term to commence on December 2, 2009 and expires on February 20, 2011.** (Past practice has been that the DPW Director is a regular member of the Traffic Authority.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE #180, TOWN CODE SEC. 13-16 -13-18; THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT KLEINHANS, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, 375 HARTFORD TURNPIKE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE VERNON TRAFFIC AUTHORITY, SAID NEW TERM TO COMMENCE ON DECEMBER 2, 2009 AND EXPIRES ON FEBRUARY 20, 2011.

- C 8. Request the Town Council approve the Mayor's appointment of Scott Brown (U), 62 Center Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Cemetery Commission, said term to commence on December 2, 2009 and expiring on June 30, 2010.** (A copy of Mr. Brown's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO C.G.S. §19A-296; CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SECTION 10, THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF SCOTT BROWN (U), 62 CENTER ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON DECEMBER 2, 2009 AND EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2010.

- C 9. Request the Town Council approve a bid waiver for the Vernon Police Department's purchase of two patrol vehicles, from Crowley Ford LLC.** (A copy of a memorandum from James Luddecke, Finance Officer to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated November 24, 2009 is included for Council's review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN CHARTER, CHAPTER 12, SECTION 9, DEEMS IT IS AGAINST THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO INVITE SEALED BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) FORD CROWN VICTORIA POLICE CRUISERS, AND HEREBY WAIVES THE BID PROCEDURE AND AUTHORIZES THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE PURCHASE OF THE CRUISERS FROM CROWLEY FORD, LLC., 225 NEW BRITAIN AVENUE, PLAINVILLE, CONNECTICUT, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000.00.

- C 10. Request the Town Council reaffirm the Condominium Hydrant Resolution.** (A copy of said Resolution and memorandum from John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated November 24, 2009 to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Town Council is included in the Council's packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY REAFFIRMS THE RESOLUTION ENTITLED "RESOLUTION ADOPTING REIMBURSEMENTS FOR COSTS OF FIRE HYDRANTS WITHIN THE TOWN OF VERNON'S RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM COMPLEXES AND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS".

G. IDENTIFICATION AND ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

H. PENDING BUSINESS

I. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Request the Town Council approve the Springhill Suites request for a reduction in assessment.** (See the memorandum dated November 27, 2009, from John D. Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Town Council regarding same.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE REDUCTION IN ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO VERNON CODE 3-4 FOR NINE YEARS AS PRESENTED. THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR OR TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SPRINGHILL SUITES CONSISTENT WITH ITS APPLICATION AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES AND TOWN ORDINANCE

J. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

K. ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

L. DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS, Pulled consent items from (f) and pulled items from (o) informational items, etc.

M. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2009 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

O. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, Petitions, communications, correspondence, reports, etc. not requiring action

1. A Quick Guide to Charter Oak, updated April, 2009.
2. Town Council Rules of Procedure, as submitted by Jill Kentfield.
3. Resignation letter from Judith M. Hany resigning from the Cemetery Commission.
4. Resignation letter from Judith M. Hany resigning from the Conservation Commission.
5. Monthly Report for October, 2009 for the Youth Service Bureau as submitted by Alan Slobodien, Director.
6. Monthly Report for October, 2009 for EMS, as submitted by Jean Gauthier, EMS Coordinator.