

**REGULAR MEETING  
PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE  
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL  
JULY 17, 2007**

Senior Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, 26 Park Place, Vernon ,Connecticut

Mayor Ellen Marmer, M.D. called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Council Members George Apel, Bill Campbell, Bill Fox, Marie Herbst, Brian Motola, Mary Oliver, Pauline Schaefer, Connie Simon: 8.

**Absent:** Council Members Daniel Anderson, Daniel Champagne, Mark Etre, Jason McCoy. 3.

**Entered During Meeting:** Daniel Anderson (7:36 p.m.), Mark Etre (7:36 p.m.): 2.

**Also Present:** Mayor Ellen Marmer, M.D., Town Administrator Christopher Clark, Recording Secretary James Krupienski.

**CITIZEN'S FORUM:**

Christopher Clark, Town Administrator spoke regarding the reinstatement of the Farmers Market beginning on July 22. 2007.

James Webb Wilson, 300 South Street, Apt C1 spoke regarding the course outline he is creating for the Rockville High School social studies program.

Brian Flint, 4 Longview Street, Rockville Community Block Watch, National Night Out is scheduled for August 7, 2007 and a lighting ceremony at 6:30 P.M. Would like information from the Vernon Non Profit Housing Development Corporation on the status of their projects. Rockville Community Block Watch is concerned with the Village Street project, how they can help in the process.

Marie Michaels, 29 Orchard Street, disappointed with the Housing Authority in the remediation of the blighted properties and would like to see a positive end to the problem.

Mary Oliver, 15 Dobson Commons Circle, spoke regarding concerns made by the public relative to the status of seniors in the community and their value in volunteering in the Town.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETING: (7:35 P.M.)**

1) Public Hearing relative to "A Resolution Regarding an Additional Appropriation for Education in the Amount of \$999,537.00". Mayor Marmer calls the Public Hearing to order to receive comments and recommendations relative to a Resolution Regarding an Additional Appropriation for Education in the Amount of \$999,537.00. (Copy of Resolution is in the packet).

Opened the Public Hearing at 7:48 p.m.

Called for anyone wishing to speak – None

Public hearing was closed to 7:49 p.m.

2) Public Hearing relative to "A Resolution Regarding an Additional Appropriation for General Government in the Amount of \$425,555.00." Mayor Marmer calls the Public Hearing to order to receive comments and recommendations relative to a Resolution Regarding an Additional Appropriation for General Government in the Amount of \$425,555.00. (Copy of Resolution is in the packet).

Opened the Public Hearing at 7:50 p.m.

Called for anyone wishing to speak – None

Public hearing was closed to 7:50 p.m.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council member Schaefer moved to ADJOURN THE MEETING UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING. The motion carried unanimously 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

The Legal Notice was advertised in the Journal Inquirer on July 9, 2007 and posted on the Town Hall bulletin board on July 5, 2007.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Schaefer nominated James Luddecke, Finance Officer as Moderator. Motion carried unanimously 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

Moderator James Luddecke called for waiver of reading of the Legal Notice. Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon moved to waive reading of the Legal Notice. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of persons present.

Moderator James Luddecke called for Public comment on the resolutions.

James Webb Wilson, 300 South Street, Apt C1 asked if the appropriation was in addition to the 2007-2008 budget or the prior budget year.

Moderator James Luddecke indicated that these funds are for the effective date of June 30, 2007 and apply to the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year.

Moderator James Luddecke called for a vote to approve the first Resolution.

Motion carried on a voice vote of persons present.

Moderator James Luddecke a called for a vote to approve the second Resolution.

Motion carried with Brian Motola and Daniel Anderson opposed.

Moderator James Luddecke called for a MOTION TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

Council Member Schaefer, seconded by Council Member Motola moved a MOTION TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING AND RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING. Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

Regular meeting reconvened at 7:57 p.m.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D., will present Certificates of Commendation to Brianna, Courtney, and Nicole York for their quick thinking in a life threatening situation.

Certificates presented to Mr. York for his daughters for their action in saving their mother and invited them to visit the Mayor's office.

2. Presentation by Nancy Osborne, President, Vernon Non-Profit Housing Development Corporation.

Discussion took place. Nancy Osborn, President, Vernon Non-Profit Housing Development Corporation.

Council Member Motola requested a schedule of work to be completed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in August.

Council Member Etre offered his services to design a work schedule time line.

Council Member Motola requested a brochure be designed and sent to the neighbors in the area. Offered his service in the printing of the brochure.

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

#### **PROPOSED MOTION:**

1. Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Schaefer, moved that THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 19, 2007, AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED. The motion was carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

2. Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Schaefer, moved that THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 12, 2007, AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED. The motion was carried 9 to 0 on a voice vote. Council Member Campbell abstained.

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. Request for Tax Refunds – Prior Fiscal Year.
2. Request the Town Council to remove names of appointed members from the officials listing.
- ~~3. Request the Town Council approve the appointment of Paul Marks as a member of the Permanent Municipal Building Committee.~~
4. Request the Town Council approve the appointment of Virginia Rogala as a member of the Vernon Arts Commission.
5. Request the Town Council approve the appointment of Frank Galat as an alternate member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission.
6. Request the Town Council adopt Fair Housing Resolution, Policy Statement, and related motions.
7. Request the Town Council to approve a wage increase for non-union employees.
8. Request the Town Council to authorize Ellen L. Marmer, M.D., Mayor to execute and deliver an application and contract with the State Library for an Historic Preservation Grant.

### **NEW BUSINESS (CONSENT ITEMS):**

Council Member Motola requested that C.N.B. 7 be pulled for discussion.

Council member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Schaefer, moved TO APPROVE C.N.B 1 THROUGH 8, EXCLUDING ITEM 7 AS FOLLOWS.

1. Request for Tax Refunds – Prior Year. (Memorandum from Carol S. Nelson, Collector of Revenue, dated July 12, 2007 to Christopher Clark; Town Administrator, is in the packet.) – **Appendix A**

THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO APPROVE SIX (6) TAX REFUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$975.49 AS OUTLINED IN MEMORANDUM FROM THE COLLECTOR OF REVENUE DATED JULY 12, 2007 TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR.

2. Request the Town Council adopt a motion to remove non-active members from the Vernon Arts Commission. (Memorandum from Christopher Clark, Town Administrator is in the packet.)

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE REMOVAL OF THE BELOW LISTED APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND DIRECTS THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE TO REMOVE SUCH MEMBERS FROM THE OFFICIAL'S LISTING:

1. EDWARD ADAMS, ARTS COMMISSION
2. DAVID NORMAN, ARTS COMMISSION
3. JENNIFER TALBOT, ARTS COMMISSION
4. KEVIN LEONARDI, ARTS COMMISSION

~~3. The Town Council hereby approves the appointment of Paul Marks (U), 695 Talcottville Road, Apt. 2C, as a member of the Permanent Municipal Building Committee, to fill a vacancy due to the term expiration of Jerry Kinsman, said term to expire on June 30, 2009. (Resume and appointment letter is in the packet).~~

~~THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF PAUL B. MARKS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE PERMANENT MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMITTEE, SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2009.~~

4. The Town Council hereby approves the appointment of Virginia Rogala (R), 35 Oxbow Drive, as a member of the Vernon Arts Commission. (Resume and appointment letter is in the packet).

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF VIRGINIA ROGALA AS A MEMBER OF THE VERNON ARTS COMMISSION.

5. The Town Council hereby approves the appointment of Frank Galat (U), 631 Dart Hill Road, as an alternate member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Victoria Nagelis, said term to expire on December 31, 2008. (Resume and appointment letter is in the packet).

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF FRANK GALAT AS A MEMBER OF THE INLAND WETLANDS REGULATORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2008.

6. Request the Town Council adopt Fair Housing Resolution, Fair Housing Policy Statement, and related materials. (Memorandum from Town Administrator is in the packet).

PROPOSED MOTION #1:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ADOPTS A RESOLUTION ENTITLED "TOWN OF VERNON FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION" AND FURTHER RESOLVES THAT THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR OF THE TOWN OF VERNON OR HIS OR HER DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR RESPONDING TO AND ASSISTING ANY PERSON WHO ALLEGES TO BE A VICTIM OF AN ILLEGAL DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICE IN THE TOWN OF VERNON.

PROPOSED MOTION #2:

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF VERNON HEREBY ADOPTS THE PROVISIONS OF THE "TOWN OF VERNON FAIR HOUSING POLICY STATEMENT" AND HEREBY DESIGNATES CHRISTOPHER CLARK AS THE FAIR HOUSING OFFICER.

PROPOSED MOTION #3:

THE TOWN OF VERNON HERBY AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF VERNON TO EXECUTE THE "COMPLIANCE WITH TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 WHICH OUTLINES THE TOWNS COMMITMENT TO TITLE VI REGULATIONS OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 WHICH PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE".

8. Request the Town Council to authorize the Mayor to execute and deliver an application and contract with the State Library for an Historic Preservation grant. (Copy of memorandum from Bernice K. Dixon, Town Clerk is in the packet.)

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES ELLEN L. MARMER, M.D., MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER IN THE NAME OF AND ON BEHALF OF THIS MUNICIPALITY, AN APPLICATION AND CONTRACT WITH THE STATE LIBRARY FOR AN HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT.

**NEW BUSINESS (TAKEN FROM CONSENT AGENDA):**

7. Request the Town Council to approve a wage increase for non union employees, effective July 1, 2007. (Copy of memorandum from Christopher Clark, Town Administrator is in the packet. Finance Officer and Treasurer James Luddecke will be present to answer questions.)

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN OF VERNON PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS, SECTION 5.2, THAT ALL NON-UNION EMPLOYEES AND PERMANENT PART TIME EMPLOYEES BE GIVEN A GENERAL WAGE INCREASE OF THREE (3.0%) PERCENT EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Apel, moved a MOTION TO REQUEST A LISTING, BY JOB TITLE AND SALARY, BE SUPPLIED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

Motion failed 4 to 6 on a voice vote, with Council Members Campbell, Etre, Motola, Apel voting yes. Council Members Schaefer, Fox, Anderson, Oliver, Simon, Herbst voting no.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon moved that THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN OF VERNON PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS, SECTION 5.2, THAT ALL NON-UNION EMPLOYEES AND PERMANENT PART TIME EMPLOYEES BE GIVEN A GENERAL WAGE INCREASE OF THREE (3.0%) PERCENT EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007.

Council Member Anderson, made a friendly amendment to SCHEDULE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT THE NEXT MEETING TO REVIEW NON-UNION SALARIES THAT WERE ADJUSTED GREATER THAN 3%.

Friendly amendment passed on a voice vote.

Main Motion carried with Council Members Apel, Fox, Etre, Campbell, Anderson, Simon, Herbst, Oliver, Schaefer voting yes. Council Members Motola, Apel voting no.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

1. Request for Town Council to schedule a Public Hearing regarding Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Establishing Permit Fees for Application Filed Pursuant to the Town of Vernon Zoning Regulations, and Vernon Subdivision Regulations". (Copy of proposed Ordinance and memorandum from Christopher Clark, Town Administrator is in the packet.)

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Oliver, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER V OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, SECTION 6, ENTITLED "PUBLIC HEARING ON AND PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCES," HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PERMIT FEES FOR APPLICATION FILED

PURSUANT TO THE TOWN OF VERNON ZONING REGULATIONS, AND VERNON SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS" TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2007, AT 7:35 PM, AT THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE VERNON SENIOR CENTER, 26 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

2. Request for Town Council to schedule a Public Hearing regarding Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Establishing Procedures and Fees for Licensing and Permits for Work Performed Within a Public Right of Way" ( Copy of proposed Ordinance is in the packet, along with memo from Tim Timberman, Town Engineer, and copy of AAC #5931-concerning road repairs by utility companies.)

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Oliver, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER V OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, SECTION 6, ENTITLED "PUBLIC HEARING ON AND PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCES," HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES AND FEES FOR LICENSING AND PERMITS FOR WORK PERFORMED WITHIN A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY" TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2007, AT 7:40 PM, AT THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE VERNON SENIOR CENTER, 26 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

3. Request for Town Council to schedule a Public Hearing regarding Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Amending Section 3-1 of the Town of Vernon Code" (Supporting documentation is in the packet.)

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER V OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, SECTION 6, ENTITLED "PUBLIC HEARING ON AND PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCES," HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-1 OF THE TOWN OF VERNON CODE" TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2007, AT 7:45 PM, AT THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE VERNON SENIOR CENTER, 26 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

**IDENTIFICATION AND ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Etre, move TO ADD:

A.A.I 1. Discussion on Informational Item #9 - Copy of response from the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) regarding municipalities advertising on town vehicles.

The motion to add A.A.I 1. to the agenda was carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote with Council Members

A.A.I. 2 Discussion of Information Item #11 - Copy of memo from James Luddecke, Finance Director, and email from Art Beirn, Director of Data Processing, relative to the completion of phase-in.

The motion to add A.A.I 2. to the agenda was carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote with Council Members

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Etre moved TO ADD:

A.A.I. 3 Discussion of Informational Item #5 - Letter(s) of resignation from Karin Pike, resigning from position(s) as Assistant Town Clerk, and Recording Secretary.

The motion to add A.A.I 1. to the agenda was carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote with Council Members

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Request the Town Council to authorize Town Administrator Christopher Clark to enter into a contract with Con Serv Inc. relative to light improvements at Center 375. (Copy of memo from George Fetko, Director of Public Works, and copy of Old Business item from Town Council meeting of June 5, 2007 is in the packet).

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES TOWN ADMINISTRATOR CHRISTOPHER CLARK TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CON SERV INC. RELATIVE TO LIGHT IMPROVEMENTS FOR CENTER 375.

Motion carried 9 to 0 on a voice vote. Council Member Etre abstained.

2. Discussion of services and utilities, private streets. (Memorandum from Deputy Mayor McCoy, memorandum from Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, material submitted from Neil Pade, Town Planner, and other documentation is in the packet.)

Discussion took place.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Ellen Marmer requested the council to moved New Business #3 before New Business #1.

Council Member Etre, seconded by Council Member Herbst, moved to MOVE NEW BUSINESS ITEM#3 PRIOR TO NEW BUSINESS #1.

Motion carried 10 to on a voice vote.

Meeting recessed at 9:42 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 9:54 p.m.

3. Request Town Council to approve a reduction in Assessment in Accordance with Blight Ordinance for 215 East Main Street, Formerly Known as Roosevelt Mills. (Copy of memorandum from Christopher Clark along with other supporting documentation is in the packet.)

Joseph Vallone, Architect and Developer indicated that he has a diorama of the proposed project.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE REDUCTION IN ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO §12-121 SUBSECTION E AS AMENDED, AND THAT THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED JUNE 1, 2007 BE THE BASIS UPON WHICH THE REDUCTION IN ASSESSMENT WOULD BE GRANTED SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE REDUCTION IN ASSESSMENT ORDINANCE CALLING FOR THE TAX ASSESSMENT TO BE ADJUSTED AFTER THE BUILDING HAS BEEN REHABILITATED AND A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY HAS BEEN ISSUED. FURTHER, THAT THE MAXIMUM REDUCTION BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE ORDINANCE. THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND THE TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LOOM CITY LOFTS LLC CONSISTENT WITH THIS APPLICATION AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES AND TOWN ORDINANCE.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

~~REQUEST THE TOWN COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE CLOSING AGREEMENT WITH ROOSEVELT MILLS.~~

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member fox, moved to REQUEST THE TOWN COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF A CLOSING AGREEMENT ASSIGNING THE TAX LIENS FOR 215 EAST MAIN STREET TO LOOM CITY LOFTS, AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

1. Request for Town Council to approve the Budget Amendments for fiscal year 2006-2007 as outlined in the Budget Amendments 55-77. (Copy of amendments are in the packet.) **Appendix B**

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 AS OUTLINED IN BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS #55-77 AS PROVIDED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER

Council Member Apel indicated that he was against Amendment #77.

Friendly Amendment was made by Council Member Etre, seconded by Council Member Herbst moved to pull Amendment #77 to discuss with New Business #2.

Motion carried, excluding Amendment #77, 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

1a. Request for Town Council to approve the Budget Amendments for fiscal year 2006-2007 as outlined in the Budget Amendment 78. (Copy of amendment is in the packet.) **Appendix D**

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 AS OUTLINED IN BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS #78 AS PROVIDED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

2. Reinstatement of Leaf Removal Program. (Copy of memorandum from James Luddecke, Finance Director, press release from Christopher Clark, Town Administrator, along with memorandums from George Fetko, Director of Public Works, James Kenny, Police Chief, and William Call, Fire Chief is in the packet, along with budget amendment #77 is in the packet). Finance Director James Luddecke will be present to answer any questions that the Council may have concerning this matter. **Appendix C**

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council member Simon, moved THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY DIRECTS THE ADMINISTRATION TO TAKE MEASURES TO DEFER COSTS AND ASSEMBLE BUDGETARY SAVINGS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED FUNDS TO IMPLEMENT THE LEAF REMOVAL PROGRAM.

Discussion took place.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Etre, moved to approve Amendment #77 from New Business #1.

Motion carried 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

#### **DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:**

A.A.I. 1 Discussion of Informational Item #5 - Letter(s) of resignation from Karin Pike, resigning from position(s) as Assistant Town Clerk, and Recording Secretary. **Appendix F**



Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon, asked Administration to send a personal note, from the Vernon Town Council, for the service she provided to the Town Council and wish her the best for the future.

A.A.I.2. Discussion on Informational Item #9 - Copy of response from the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) regarding municipalities advertising on town vehicles.

Council Member Motola preferred to see this move forward, but would not like to see advertising on Police vehicles.

Council Member Herbst asked that the First Amendment be reviewed for the ability to do.

A.A.I. 3 Discussion of Information Item #11 - Copy of memo from James Luddecke, Finance Director, and email from Art Beirn, Director of Data Processing, relative to the completion of phase-in.

Council Member Motola was concerned that the Director of Data Processing was utilizing a Job Title that was not consistent with the Charter.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. Minutes from the Board of Education meeting held on June 11, 2007.
2. Monthly report for May 2007 from Alan Slobodien, Youth Services Director, monthly report for May 2007 from Penny Rand, Senior Center Director.
3. Copy of information relative to the Veterans Day parade, to be held on Sunday, November 4, 2007.
4. Copies of memorandum from Fire Chief Call relative to newly appointed Assistant Fire Chiefs. **Appendix E**
5. Letter(s) of resignation from Karin Pike, resigning from position(s) as Assistant Town Clerk, and Recording Secretary. **Appendix F**
6. Copy of 2008 legal holiday calendar, Town of Vernon. **Appendix G**
7. Copy of press release from Gina McCarthy, Commissioner, State of Connecticut, Department of Environmental Protection, relative to awards presented to the Town of Vernon at the Annual Greenways Ceremony held on June 6, 2007.
8. Copy of memorandum from Christopher Clark, Town Administrator regarding the transition plan and the appointment of an Interim Town Planner.
9. Copy of response from the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) regarding municipalities advertising on town vehicles.
10. Budget referendum data for FY 2007-2008 as submitted by Registrar of Voters.
11. Copy of memo from James Luddecke, Finance Director, and email from Art Beirn, Director of Data Processing, relative to the completion of phase-in.

Council Member Schaefer, seconded by Simon, moved TO ADJOURN.

The motion carried unanimously 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Received: July 23, 2007  
 Approved: August 7, 2007  
 Vernon Town Council



James Krupienski  
 Asst Town Clerk/Recording Secretary