

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2009
7:30 P.M.

A.) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

ROLL CALL

CITIZEN'S FORUM

B.) **PUBLIC HEARING**

C.) **PRESENTATION**

Presentation by Mayor Jason L. McCoy to Former Mayor Steve Marcham in honor of his individual commitment to the Town of Vernon through his activities as an Elected Official, Volunteer and Vernon Business Owner.

RECESS FOR REFRESHMENT AND CELEBRATION!

GIS Presentation by Aaron Nash, GIS Coordinator, (PowerPoint demonstration the evening of the meeting.)

Updated Presentation from Marina Rodriguez, Economic Development Coordinator. Coordinator Rodriguez to present an update of the Economic Development Commission Priorities. (Handouts to be distributed at the meeting)

D.) **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- C 1.** **Request for Tax Refunds Prior Years and Current Year.** (A copy of the memorandum from Carol L. Nelson, Collector of Revenue to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated 01-26-09 included in the Council packet).

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES TWO (2) TAX REFUNDS TOTALLING \$8,099.39 FOR THE PRIOR YEARS, AND SIX (6) TAX REFUNDS TOTALLING \$2,981.86 FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM THE COLLECTOR OF REVENUE DATED JANUARY 26, 2009 TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR.

- C 2.** **Request the Town Council approve budget amendment #8, for fiscal year 2008-2009, as provided by James Luddecke, Finance Officer.** (A copy of budget amendment #8 is included in the Council packet).

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$69,080.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELEVEN (11) CHEMICAL CONTROL UNITS WITH GPS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAID PROCUREMENT BE DONE IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER XII, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION, SUB-SECTION 9 OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, ENTITLED PURCHASING.

- C 3.** **Request the Town Council approve the Subrecipient Agreement between the Town of Vernon and the Vernon Non-Profit Housing and Development Corporation for the Village Street Revitalization Program to fund the Down Payment Assistance Program.** (A copy of the Subrecipient Agreement is attached for your review.) (Director Jeff Arn of the Vernon Non-Profit Housing and Development Corporation will be present to answer questions.)

PROPOSED MOTION 1:

THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL RENEWS ITS COMMITMENT OF \$250,000.00 OF THE TOWN OF VERNON'S CDBG FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR HOME BUYERS PARTICIPATING IN THE VILLAGE STREET REVITALIZATION PROJECT UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2009.

PROPOSED MOTION 2:

THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY TO SIGN THE SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF VERNON AND THE VERNON NON-PROFIT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OFFICIALLY DESIGNATING \$250,000.00 OF THE TOWN OF VERNON'S CDBG FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR HOME BUYERS PARTICIPATING IN THE VILLAGE STREET REVITALIZATION PROJECT WITH AN EXTENSION ON THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2009.

- C 4. Request that the Town Council adopt the attached Annual Town of Vernon Affirmative Action Policy Statement required by DECD and the Small Cities Grant Program.** (A copy of the required Statement is included in your packet for your review). (A copy of a letter dated 01-05-2009 to John D. Ward, Interim Town Administrator from L. Wagner Associates requesting this action is also included for your review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF VERNON HEREBY ADOPTS THE PROVISION OF THE "TOWN OF VERNON AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY STATEMENT" AND HEREBY DESIGNATES JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, AS THE TOWN'S AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICER.

- C 5. Request the Town Council reappoint Chief James Kenny to the Vernon Traffic Authority pursuant to the Vernon Town Code, Article II, Sections 13-16 and 13-17; for a three year term beginning on 02-21-2009 and expiring on 02-20-2012.** (A copy of Chief Kenny's resume is attached for your review).

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO THE VERNON TOWN CODE, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 13-16 AND 13-17; THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF CHIEF JAMES KENNY, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE TRAFFIC AUTHORITY. SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON 02-21-2009 AND EXPIRE ON 02-20-2012.

- C 6. Request the Town Council reappoint E. Mason Thrall III, (U), 172 Irene Drive, Vernon, Connecticut, as a regular member of the Vernon Traffic Authority pursuant to the Vernon Town Code, Article II, Sections 13-16 and 13-17; for a three year term beginning on 02-21-2009 and expiring on 02-20-2012.** (A copy of Mr. Thrall's resume is attached for your review).

PROPOSED MOTION;

PURSUANT TO THE VERNON TOWN CODE, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 13-16 AND 13-17; THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF E. MASON THRALL III, (U) 172 IRENE DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE TRAFFIC AUTHORITY. SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON 02-21-2009 AND EXPIRES ON 02-20-2012.

- C 7. Request the Town Council approve the Mayor's appointment of Nancy Osborn, (R), 95 West Road, Apt. 57, Vernon, Connecticut, as a member of the Capital Improvements Committee, to fill the balance of the unexpired term which began on 09-01-2008 and ends on 08-31-2011.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO VERNON TOWN CODE, ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 10-61 AND 10-62; THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF NANCY OSBORN, (R), 95 WEST ROAD, APT. 57, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A MEMBER OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE, TO FILL THE BALANCE OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH BEGAN ON 09-01-2008 AND ENDS ON 08-31-2011.

E.) IDENTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

F.) PENDING BUSINESS:

G.) NEW BUSINESS

H.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

I.) ACTION ON ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

J.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

K.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

**THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 20, 2009 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID
MEETING BE APPROVED.**

L.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

M.) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1.** Thank you letter to Mayor Jason L. McCoy from the Vernon Historical Society thanking Mayor McCoy for the donation of Fourth Grade Day, by Andre J. Garant.
- 2.** Monthly Report, December, 2008 from the Vernon Senior Center submitted by Director Penny Rand.
- 3.** Monthly Report, December, 2008 from the Vernon Police Department submitted by Captain Stephen Clark.