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FROM: Mayor George F Apel

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RE: Police Contract

Mayor Apel is pleased to announce that the Vernon Town Council tonight voted to ratify the tentative contract agreement reached with the Vernon Police Union.

This five-year agreement will fairly and justly compensate Vernon's Police Department along with producing immediate and long-term savings for the Town. It provides for annual general wage increases of 1%, 1.5%, 1.75%, 2% and 2.25%.

This agreement also contributes to the long-term stability of the Police Pension plan

- a. Current employees will be paid for sick days from 90% to 100% of their current pay rate depending on their year of service.
- b. New hires pensions will be based upon salary only. Payments for overtime, private duty, sick time, and accumulated vacation days will not be considered.
- c. Normal retirement date for new hires will be age 50 with 25 years of service
- d. Current employees will have a 7.5% pension contribution (pre-tax); New hires will have an 8.5% pension contribution (pre-tax).

Mayor Apel will like to thank the Vernon Police for their continued service and the Negotiation teams for their work, especially Sergeants Thiele and Conde, as well as Council members Campbell, Peterson and Didio.

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