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Special Budget Minutes
Vernon Town Council- Special Budget Meeting
Town Hall- 14 Park Place- 3rd Floor
Vernon, Connecticut
March 30, 2019- 9:00AM

Mayor Daniel A. Champagne called the meeting to order at 9:01AM

A) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B) ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Steve Wakefield, Thomas DiDio, Brian Motola, Julie Clay, Mike Wendus, Bill Campbell, Laura Bush, Ann Letendre, Pauline Schaefer, Steve Peterson, and Ralph Zahner

Absent: Council Member Jim Tedford

Entered During Meeting: Council Members Brian Motola and Laura Bush

Also Present: Town Administrator Michael J. Purcaro, Recording Secretary Cassandra Minor

C) CITIZEN'S FORUM:

None.

9:02AM Council Member Bush entered the meeting.

D) PRESENTATION:

None.

E) BUDGET REVIEW:

1. **Revenue**

Jeffrey O'Neill spoke in regard to the Revenue account.

9:06AM Council Member Motola entered the meeting.

2. **Rockville Public Library**

Council Member Wakefield, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open Tab 9, 68, Rockville Public Library, Code 10562262 in the amount of \$841,988. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jennifer Johnston, Library Director spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Wakefield, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 9, 68, Rockville Public Library, Code 10562262 in the amount of \$841,988. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Administration**

Council Member Campbell, seconded by Council Member Peterson made a motion to open Tab 5, Page 3, Administration, Code 10112120 in the amount of \$823,105. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Diane Wheelock, Executive Assistant and Dawn Maselek, Assistant Town Administrator spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Campbell, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 5, Page 3, Administration, Code 10112120 in the amount of \$823,105. Motion carried unanimously.

10:35AM Recess; 10:47AM Reconvened.

4. Law

Council Member Clay, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to open Tab 5, Page 5, Law, Code 10112121 in the amount of \$167,000. Motion carried unanimously of present members.

Discussion ensued. Diane Wheelock, Executive Assistant spoke and answered questions.

10:48AM Council Member Campbell returned to the table.

Council Member Clay, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 5, Page 5, Law, Code 10112121 in the amount of \$167,000. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Finance – Administration

Council Member Clay, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open Tab 5, Page 10, Finance – Administration, Code 10114140 in the amount of \$510,165. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O’Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Clay, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 5, Page 10, Finance – Administration, Code 10114140 in the amount of \$510,165. Motion carried with 10 in favor and 1 abstention, Council Member Wendus.

6. Finance – Independent Audit

Council Member Wendus, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to open Tab 5, Page 11, Finance - Independent Audit, Code 10114141 in the amount of \$73,429. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O’Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Wendus, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 5, Page 11, Finance - Independent Audit, Code 10114141 in the amount of \$73,429. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Finance – Treasury

Council Member Schaefer, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to open Tab 5, Page 12, Finance Treasury, Code 10114142 in the amount of \$6,360. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O’Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Schaefer, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 5, Page 12, Finance Treasury, Code 10114142 in the amount of \$6,360. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Finance – Purchasing

Council Member Letendre, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open Tab 5, Page 13, Finance – Purchasing, Code 10114143 in the amount of \$9,370. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O’Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Wakefield, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to deduct \$2,020 from line 56030. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Letendre, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 5, Page 13, Finance – Purchasing, Code 10114143 in the amount of \$7,350. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Social Security and Medicare

Council Member Peterson, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to open Tab 10, Page 70, Social Security and Medicare, Code 10670270 in the amount of \$1,103,665. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Peterson, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 10, Page 70, Social Security and Medicare, Code 10670270 in the amount of \$1,103,665. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Pension

Council Member DiDio, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open Tab 10, Page 71, Pension, Code 10670271 in the amount of \$3,315,751. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer and Frank Zitkus, Controller spoke and answered questions.

Council Member DiDio, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 10, Page 71, Pension, Code 10670271 in the amount of \$3,315,751. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Group Insurance

Council Member Zahner, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to open Tab 10, Page 72, Group Insurance, Code 10670272 in the amount of \$3,092,928. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Zahner, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 10, Page 72, Group Insurance, Code 10670272 in the amount of \$3,092,928. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Unemployment Insurance

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Wakefield made a motion to open Tab 10, Page 74, Unemployment Insurance, Code 10670273 in the amount of \$21,400. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Wakefield made a motion to close Tab 10, Page 74, Unemployment Insurance, Code 10670273 in the amount of \$21,400. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Municipal Insurance

Council Member Bush, seconded by Council Member Wakefield made a motion to open Tab 10, Page 73, Municipal Insurance, Code 10671278 in the amount of \$1,027,023. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Wakefield, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to deduct \$3,486 from line 55210. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Bush, seconded by Council Member Wakefield made a motion to close Tab 10, Page 73, Municipal Insurance, Code 10671278 in the amount of \$1,023,537. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Contingency

Council Member Wendus, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to open Tab 10, Page 75, Contingency, Code 10672280 in the amount of \$135,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Wendus, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to close Tab 10, Page 75, Contingency, Code 10672280 in the amount of \$135,000. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Debt Service – Principal Payments

Council Member Bush, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open Tab 11, Page 79, Debt - Service - Principal Payments, Code 10883292 in the amount of \$5,982,894. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member Bush, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to close Tab 11, Page 79, Debt - Service - Principal Payments, Code 10883292 in the amount of \$5,982,894. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Debt Service – Interest Payments

Council Member DiDio, seconded by Council Member Bush made a motion to open Tab 11, Page 80, Debt - Service - Interest Payments, Code 10883294 in the amount of \$2,006,917. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued. Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer spoke and answered questions.

Council Member DiDio, seconded by Council Member Wakefield made a motion to close Tab 11, Page 80, Debt - Service - Interest Payments, Code 10883294 in the amount of \$2,006,917. Motion carried unanimously.

F) MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS REQUIRING ACTION

None.

G) RECESS REMAINING ACCOUNTS TO April 1, 2019

11:32AM Council Member Wakefield, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to recess to the next scheduled meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Received:

Approved:

Respectfully submitted:

Cassandra Minor

Recording Secretary.