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VERNON RECEIVES REBATE FOR RISK MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE AND EFFICIENCIES



Pictured left to right are: Dawn Maselek, Assistant Town Administrator; Ashley L. Reda, CIRMA Senior Underwriter; Mayor Daniel A. Champagne; Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer and Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator

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(VERNON) Mayor Daniel A. Champagne, along with staff from the Town Administration and Finance Departments were recently presented with a check for \$30,653.00 from the Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA) of New Haven, CT.

CIRMA is a member-owned and governed organization that provides liability insurance and risk management services to Vernon and other Connecticut municipalities, school districts, and local public agencies. The check was presented to Vernon as its prorated share of CIRMA's Members' Equity distribution for 2019.

“Vernon has a robust risk management program that includes both the Town and Board of Education. Together we hold regular risk management and safety committee meetings and have developed and implemented best-practice policies and procedures,” said Mayor Daniel A. Champagne. “As a result, we have been able to secure substantial cost savings for our residents.”

“The partnership and risk management efforts of our members are a sustaining force behind CIRMA’s outstanding financial strength, growth in service programs, and our ability to deliver a Members’ Equity Distribution Program. Working together, we are making our communities better and safer places to live, learn, and work in,” said David Demchak, CIRMA President and Chief Executive Officer.

CIRMA’s Chairman of the Board, Jayme Stevenson, First Selectman of Darien, said “CIRMA continues to achieve its mission by providing Connecticut municipalities with rate stability, outstanding risk management programs and tremendous value to our members.”

“Vernon’s membership in CIRMA helps us to identify, minimize, and manage risk,” said Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator and Emergency and Risk Management Director. “Over the past two years Vernon has been rebated in excess of \$60,000.00 due to an overall reduction in the frequency and severity of our insurance claims”.

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