

December 23, 2011

APPROVED MINUTES
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3rd Floor
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

December 23, 2011 – 6:30 PM

Mayor George Apel called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

A) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B) ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Bill Campbell, Thomas DiDio, Virginia Gingras, Judy Hany, Marie Herbst, John Kopec, Brian Motola, Steven Peterson, Thomasina Russell, Daniel Sullivan, Adam Weissberger, and Michael Winkler

Absent:

Entered During Meeting:

Also Present: Mayor George Apel, Town Administrator John Ward, Recording Secretary Jill Kentfield

C.) NEW BUSINESS

Request the Town Council approve the bid waiver for the purchase of solar power from Green Skies of Middletown Connecticut and approve the signing of the purchase agreement between Green Skies (GRE-Vernon LLC.) of Middletown, Connecticut. (A copy of a memorandum from Mayor George F. Apel to Vernon Town Council Dated December 22, 2011; a memorandum from Shaun Gately, Economic Development Coordinator dated December 22, 2011 to Mayor George F. Apel and a memorandum from John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated December 22, 2011 to Mayor George F. Apel and the Vernon Town Council are included for Council review).

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member DiDio made the following motion:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER XII, SECTION 9, OF THE TOWN CHARTER THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO WAIVE THE TRADITIONAL SEALED BID REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY FROM GRE-VERNON LLC OF MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT.

Discussion took place. Council Member Weisberger, seconded by Council Member Sullivan made a motion to call the question. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to waive the sealed bid requirements for the purchase of electricity from GRE-VERNON, LLC carried unanimously.

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Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Weissberger made the following motion:

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY MOVES TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR GEORGE F APEL AND THE ENERGY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD FOR THE MAYOR GEORGE F APEL OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE POWER AGREEMENT AS NEGOTIATED WITH GRE-VERNON, LLC OF MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT TO RECEIVE ENERGY DERIVED FROM A SOLAR POWER FACILITY TO BE LOCATED AT 713 TALCOTTVILLE ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT

Discussion took place. Attorney Cummings and Economic Development Coordinator Gately answered questions from Town Council Members. Attorney Cummings commented on changes to the purchase agreement that differed from the agreement in the packets.

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Discussion continued. Council Member Weissberger, seconded by Council Member Herbst made a motion to call the question. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to enter into a purchase power agreement with GRE-VERNON, LLC carried unanimously.

Adjourn (8:45 PM)

Council Member Weissberger, seconded by Council Member Sullivan made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Received: December 28, 2011

Approved: January 17, 2012

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Kentfield
Recording Secretary

Karen C. Daigle, CCTC
Assistant Town Clerk