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

Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Mayor George Apel called the meeting to order at 7:00 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) CITIZEN'S FORUM

Joel Adler, 87 Scott Drive – requested Town Council members pass an ordinance regarding nuisance barking from dogs. He provided sample ordinances.

Peter Kosak, 34 Farm Brook Lane – Since not all the streets in Vernon have access to city sewer and city water, he feels that this is a detriment to economic development. He requested the Town Administration look into a way to create a loan repayment program for those people who want to hook up to the city utilities.

Citizen's forum closed at 7:13 PM

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to move the Executive Session to after the public hearing. Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Winkler made a motion to amend the motion to move Executive Session until the end of the agenda. Motion to amend failed, Council Member Weissberger abstained and Council Members Campbell, Hany, Kopec, Motola, Peterson and Sullivan opposed. Original motion passed, Council Member Herbst opposed.

E.) PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "***ORDINANCE ADOPTING REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF FIRE HYDRANTS AND STREET LIGHTS WITHIN TOWN'S RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM COMPLEXES AND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS***"

Mayor Apel called the public hearing to order to receive comments and answer any questions from the public. The clerk read the legal notice into the record. Mayor Apel directed citizens to keep their comments to 3-4 minutes each.

Public comments:

Mary Oliver, 105 Maple Avenue, 15 Dobson Commons, spoke in support of the ordinance and asked for accounting procedures to be built into the ordinance rather than a reimbursement process.

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Ann Donofrio, 12 Quail Hollow, Secretary of the Vernon Condo Association. Spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Peter Gavarrino, 15 Farm Brook Lane, spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Russell Hebert, 72 Meadowview Lane, spoke in favor of the ordinance. He requested a regular accounting procedure instead of the reimbursement procedure. He also requested the reimbursements be given in time for Condo associations to incorporate into their annual budgets.

Carl Schaefer, 1A Fox Hill Dr., spoke against the ordinance, he has issues with the terminology "Planned Unit Developments" and the cost of street lighting for those lamps with higher wattages than regular street lamps. He also asked about the cost of replacing the fixtures with LED lighting.

Peter Kosak, 34 Farm Brook Lane, spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Ralph Zahner, 142 Vernon Avenue, requested apartment complexes be added into the ordinance.

Lance Chernack, 50 Cubles Drive, requested the Town Administration take into consideration builders who develop the complexes, make their profit and leave, consider bonding the cost of covering the street lamps and fire hydrants.

James Krupienski, 59 Deerfield Dr, recommended the ordinance go to the Ordinance review task force. It should include definitions for: Planned Unit Developments, Qualified Street Lights, Qualified hydrants, policies on how the bills will be received and a determination made as to whether a private citizen can utilize the ordinance. He is in support of the ordinance if revised.

Christy Vale, 100 Dobson Road, spoke in support of the ordinance

Bob Leger, 18 Quail Hollow, spoke in support of the ordinance

Close Public Hearing (7:57 PM)

Mayor Apel closed the public hearing. Regular Meeting reconvened.

D) EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES § 1-200(6) (B), HEREBY MOVES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION RELATIVE TO DOCKET NO. 19119484 DARRIN TRANTER VS TOWN OF VERNON AND INVITES THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND: JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; AND ATTORNEY RICHARD BARTLETT OF MCGANN, BARTLETT AND BROWN, LLC.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY MOVES TO AUTHORIZE THE SETTLEMENT OF THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION CLAIM BROUGHT BY DARRIN TRANTER AGAINST THE TOWN OF VERNON, DOCKET NO. 100025844 UPON THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS

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DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. DETAILS OF SETTLEMENT TO BE MADE PUBLIC UPON ACCEPTANCE BY ALL PARTIES AND APPROVAL BY THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER.

Motion carried unanimously.

F.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

- Winterfest 2011 kicked off last Friday
- The 3rd annual Arctic Splash took place on December 3, 2011
- Encouraged citizens review the Town website for more upcoming events
- On 11/19 members of the public works helped the HVCC with their food drive, all families received a Thanksgiving dinner
- On 11/23, Mayor Apel attended a unifaith Thanksgiving service at St. Bernards Church
- Storm Alfred brush pick up has concluded, 75,000 cubic feet of brush was collected
- Thank you to the Dept of Public Works, Recreation Department and police department for their response during storm Alfred
- On 11/17 President Obama approved the Governor's request for a major disaster declaration for storm Alfred which will help with the costs to cleaning up the damage
- Mayor Apel requested a meeting with the Vernon delegation to discuss potential state assistance for paying for clean up after storm Alfred.
- The After Action report for storm Alfred will take place on December 22, 2011
- On 11/29 Mayor Apel, John Ward and Shaun Gately attended a planning and Economic Development Seminar
- On 11/16 Mayor Apel held a meeting with Department Heads and requested a 2 year plan from each of them
- Mayor Apel met with the owners of Loom City loft and offered assistance in moving the project forward.

G.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Discussion took place. Motion carried unanimously to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

- C 1.** **Request for Tax Refunds for Prior and Current Years.** (A copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue, to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated November 23, 2011 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES ONE (1) OVERPAYMENT FOR THE PRIOR YEAR TOTALLING \$25.52 AND SEVEN (7) OVERPAYMENTS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR TOTALLING \$771.16, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED NOVEMBER 23, 2011.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the tax refunds for prior and current years. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 2.** **Request the Town Council authorize Mayor George F. Apel to execute the necessary documents to apply and receive the Local Prevention Council Grant from ERASE in the amount of \$4245.00.** (See memorandum dated November 14, 2011 from Alan M. Slobodien, Director, Vernon Youth Services Bureau to John D. Ward, Town Administrator.)

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

RESOLVE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIVE LOCAL PREVENTION COUNCIL GRANT FUNDS FROM ERASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4245.00.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to authorize Mayor Apel to execute the necessary documents to apply and receive the Local Prevention Council Grant from ERASE in the amount of \$4245.00. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of William E. Roch, (R), 14 Lantern Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Roch's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1,6 & 11 DATED JANUARY 1, 1985; C.G.S. §8-4A&B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM E. ROCH, (R), 14 LANTERN LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2014.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's reappointment of William Roch as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Stanley Cohen, (D), 67 Meadowview Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Cohen's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1,6 & 11 DATED JANUARY 1, 1985; C.G.S. §8-4A&B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF STANLEY COHEN (D), 67 MEADOWVIEW LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2014.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to the Mayor's reappointment of Stanley Cohen as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term of January 2, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Harry Derwent Thomas, (R), 125 Dockerel Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on**

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January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2014. (A copy of Mr. Thomas' resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1,6 & 11 DATED JANUARY 1, 1985; C.G.S. §8-4A&B, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF HARRY DERWENT THOMAS (R), 125 DOCKEREL ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2014.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Harry Thomas as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 6. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of H. Russell Kunz, (R), 26 Valley View Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Conservation Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.**(A copy of Mr. Kunz's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO TOWN OF VERNON ORDINANCE # 189 – TOWN CODE SECTION 10-91 & 10-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF H. RUSSELL KUNZ, (R), 26 VALLEY VIEW LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO BEGIN JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's reappointment of H. Russell Kunz as a regular member of the Conservation Commission for a term of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 7. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Thomas R. Ouellette (D), 57 Hany Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Conservation Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.**(A copy of Mr. Ouellette's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO TOWN OF VERNON ORDINANCE # 189 – TOWN CODE SECTION 10-91 & 10-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF THOMAS R. OUELLETTE, (D), 57 HANY LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO BEGIN JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Thomas Ouellette as a regular member of the Conservation Commission for a term of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

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- C 8. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's appointment of Lynda Morhardt, (D), 114 Valley Falls Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission, said term to commence on December 7, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Ms. Morhardt's resume is included for Council review.) (Ms. Morhardt is presently an alternate and is being moved to fill the vacated seat of Mr. Kopec.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 8, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S APPOINTMENT OF LYNDA MORHARDT, (D), 114 VALLEY FALLS ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE INLAND WETLANDS REGULATORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON DECEMBER 7, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Lynda Morhardt as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission for a term of December 7, 2011 through December 31, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 9. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Jeffrey T. Pescosolido, (U), 96 Brent Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Pescosolido's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 8, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY T. PESCOSOLIDO, (U), 96 BRENT DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE INLAND WETLANDS REGULATORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Jeffrey Pescosolido as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Regulatory Commission for a term of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 10. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of John K. Anderson, (R), 20 Hemlock Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a Special Constable, said term to commence January 1, 2012 and expires December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Anderson's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO C.G.S. §7-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN K. ANDERSON, (R), 20 HEMLOCK DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A SPECIAL CONSTABLE, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's reappointment of John Anderson as a Special Constable for a term of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

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- C 11. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Christopher A. Haddock, (D), 38 Merline Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of Municipal Flood and Erosion Control, said term to commence on January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2014.** (A copy of Mr. Haddock's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE #226, THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER A. HADDOCK, (D), 38 MERLINE ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2014.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Christopher Haddock as a regular member of Municipal Flood and Erosion Control for a term of January 2, 2012 through December 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

- C 12. Request the Town Council approve Mayor George F. Apel's reappointment of Steve Wakefield (R), 152 Brookview Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as the Town of Vernon Citation Hearing Officer, said term to commence January 1, 2012 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Wakefield's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE #215, TOWN CODE 2-5, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE #218 TO ENFORCE ORDINANCES #214 AND #216 THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR GEORGE F. APEL'S REAPPOINTMENT OF STEVE WAKEFIELD (R), 152 BROOKVIEW DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS THE TOWN OF VERNON CITATION HEARING OFFICER, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to the Mayor's reappointment of Steve Wakefield as the Town of Vernon Citation Hearing Officer for a term of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

H.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

None

I.) PENDING BUSINESS

None

J.) NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Request the Town Council approve the commitment of available funds in the Education Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditure Account in the amount of \$100,000.00.** (A copy of a letter from Mary P. Conway, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools dated November 29, 2011 to the Town Council is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE COMMITMENT OF AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE EDUCATION RESERVE FOR CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 FOR THE COSTS RELATING TO

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PHASE I OF THE VERNON CENTER MIDDLE SCHOOL CHIMNEY REPAIR-STABILIZATION AND LINING OF THE CHIMNEY.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to approve the commitment of available funds in the Education Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditure Account in the amount of \$100,000.00. Discussion took place. Motion carried unanimously.

2. **Request the Town Council authorize both a Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting for December 20, 2011 regarding an additional appropriation for Storm Alfred in an amount of \$667,000.00 to the Fiscal Year 2011-2012.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER XII SECTION 10 (F) OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETING FOR DECEMBER 20, 2011 AT 7:05 PM ON THE THIRD FLOOR, TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE TOWN HALL MEMORIAL BUILDING, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT TO HEAR COMMENT AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the above motion to authorize both a public hearing and special town meeting for December 20, 2011 regarding an additional appropriation for storm Alfred in the amount of \$667,000.00 for the fiscal year 2011-2012. Discussion took place. Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Sullivan made a motion to amend the motion to change the amount of appropriation to \$562,000. Motion carried unanimously. Discussion continued. Motion as amended carried unanimously.

- K.) **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**
None

- L.) **ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED**

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

“ORDINANCE NO. , AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF FIRE HYDRANTS AND STREET LIGHTS WITHIN TOWN’S RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM COMPLEXES AND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS”

Council Member Campbell, seconded by Council Member Motola made a motion to amend the current motion to substitute the revised version of the ordinance as presented by Attorney Burke. Discussion took place. Attorney Burke verified the document was legal. Council Member Herbst requested the revised ordinance be included in the minutes as part of the record. Council Member Winkler requested for the record the intent of the ordinance is to pay for street lights rather than lamp posts. Discussion continued.

Motion for Amendment carried unanimously. Discussion continued.

Council Member Winkler, seconded by Council Member Weissberger called the question, Motion carried unanimously.

Motion as amended carried unanimously.

Amended Ordinance:

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**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF FIRE
HYDRANTS AND QUALIFIED STREET LIGHTS WITHIN THE TOWN OF
VERNON'S RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM COMPLEXES**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF VERNON THAT:

1. **Recitals.** a.) As conditions of approval by the Town of Vernon Planning and Zoning Commission, Residential Condominium Complexes were required to install and maintain, at their expense, fire hydrants and street lights; and

b.) Installation of said fire hydrants and street lights were required in the interest of public safety; and

c.) The Town of Vernon directly bears the operating costs for street lights and fire hydrants on residential streets, in general;

2. **Definitions.**

Operating Costs: Metered utility cost for qualified streetlights and the servicing costs of fire hydrants. Operating costs do not include repair and capital expenditures.

Qualified Streetlights: Metered streetlights that are charged to the Residential Condominium Complexes, along private streets and roads that provide access to residences, parking areas and driveways within the Complex.

3. **Reimbursement.** There shall be included within the General Government Budget, a line for reimbursing the costs for servicing of hydrants and the reimbursement of operating costs for qualified street lights in Residential Condominium Complexes within the Town of Vernon, to be reimbursed to those associations that submitted their cost estimates for said fire hydrants and qualified street lights by January 31st of each year. Said reimbursements to take place during the ensuing fiscal period of July 1st through June 30th.

4. **Submission of Invoices.** For the fiscal period of July 1st through June 30th, the associations for the Residential Condominium Complexes shall submit periodic invoices to the Finance Department which shall be responsible to pay said invoices. The scheduling of the submission of the invoices and payments shall be as directed by the Town Finance Officer.

5. **Submission of Cost Estimates.** Reimbursement to any association shall be conditioned upon said association, timely submitting their hydrant costs and qualified street light cost estimates for the upcoming fiscal year to the Town of Vernon Finance Department by January 31st of each year. Understanding the appropriation for reimbursement of said costs will depend upon such timely submission of the cost data, failure of any association to submit said data shall be deemed a waiver by that association of reimbursement for the ensuing fiscal year.

6. **Purpose.** As a matter of general equity and fairness to Residential home owners, the reimbursement of qualified costs for the servicing of hydrants and reimbursement for costs of

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street lights for Residential Condominium Complexes within the Town of Vernon are to be included as part of the General Government Budget.

7. Sunset Provision. In accord with the Vernon Town Charter, this ordinance shall be effective for a period of not more than ten (10) years from the date of adoption at which time, if the Town Council does not or has not acted to renew the ordinance, the ordinance shall be deemed repealed.

This Ordinance shall become effective on January ,2012.

Introduced:	November , 2011
Advertised	November , 2011
Public Hearing Date:	December , 2011
Town Council Action:	December , 2011
Publication Date:	December , 2011
Effective Date:	January ,2012

M.) IDENTIFICATION/ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS
None

N.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
None

O.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF **NOVEMBER 15, 2011** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the November 15, 2011 Regular Town Council meeting. Council Member Weissberger requested a correction to the minutes to reflect the address of James Krupienski as 59 Deerfield Dr. Motion for minutes as amended carried unanimously.

P.) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, ETC. NOT REQUIRING ACTION

1. Monthly Police Department Report – October, 2011 as prepared by Captain Stephen M. Clark.
2. *Revised* "Town Council Rules and Procedures" effective November 15, 2011.

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Adjourn (8:56 PM)

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Herbst made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Received: December 8, 2011

Approved: December 20, 2011

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Kentfield
Recording Secretary

Karen C. Daigle, CCTC
Assistant Town Clerk