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AGENDA  
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
VERNON, CONNECTICUT  
  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2015**  
7:30 P.M.

- A.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B.) ROLL CALL
- C.) CITIZENS FORUM

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- D.) EXECUTIVE SESSION
  - E.) PUBLIC HEARING

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F.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

Presentation by Alan Slobodien, YSB Director and Birth to Eight Coordinator, Allison Altieri relative to the current **Birth to Eight** work of the School Readiness Council.

Presentation of the **Five Year Technology Replacement Plan for the Vernon Public Schools** given Dr. Mary P. Conway, Superintendent of Schools and Robert Sigam, Director Information Technology for the Town of Vernon. (See cover letter and plan attached to this agenda.)

Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to make a presentation to the Town Council on various topics.

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G.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

- C 1. Request for the approval Tax Refunds for Current Year.** (A copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue, to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated January 12, 2015 is included in the Council packet.)

**PROPOSED MOTION:**

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES (9) NINE CURRENT YEAR TAX REFUNDS FOR A TOTAL OF \$1537.06, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED JANUARY 12, 2015.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Mason Thrall (U), 172 Irene Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Vernon Traffic Authority, said term to commence on February 21, 2015 and expires on February 20, 2018.** (A copy of Mr. Thrall's resume is included for Council review.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

PURSUANT TO THE VERNON TOWN CODE, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 13-16 AND 13-17; THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S REAPPOINTMENT OF MASON THRALL (U), 172 IRENE DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE TRAFFIC AUTHORITY. SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 21, 2015 AND EXPIRES ON FEBRUARY 20, 2018.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Chief James Kenny, Vernon Police Chief, 725 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Vernon Traffic Authority, said term to commence on February 21, 2015 and expires on February 20, 2018.** (Chief Kenny is an employee of the Town of Vernon, therefore no resume is attached.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

PURSUANT TO THE VERNON TOWN CODE, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 13-16 AND 13-17; THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S REAPPOINTMENT OF CHIEF JAMES KENNY, 725 HARTFORD TURNPIKE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE TRAFFIC AUTHORITY. SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 21, 2015 AND EXPIRES ON FEBRUARY 20, 2018.

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H.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

I.) PENDING BUSINESS

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J.) NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of the new Town of Vernon Engineer .** (See memorandum dated January 15, 2015 from Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to the Vernon Town Council recommending same. The applicants resume has been included for Council review.)

**PROPOSED MOTION:**

THE TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHAPTER X, SEC.3 AND CHAPTER XI, SEC. 1, 3 AND 17 OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF DAVID SMITH AS **ENGINEER** FOR THE TOWN OF VERNON.

- 2. Update and discussion regarding Year to Date Revenue and Expenditures report from Finance Officer James M. Luddecke for Fiscal Year 2014- 2015.** (Please see YTD Report provided in the Council packet.)

**NO PROPOSED MOTION**

- 3. Request the Town Council consider the request of the Vernon Arts Commission to reduce the membership of the Commission from nine to five regular members.** (See memorandum from the Vernon Arts Commission to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne and the Vernon Town Council dated January 8, 2015 relative to same. Also included for Council review are the following historical documents: Copy of the chronological history of this Commission (as prepared by the Town Clerk's Office); VAC original by-laws; Town Council Resolution establishing the Fine Arts Commission on September 21, 1076; three amending Town Council Resolutions amending the by-laws on March 6, 1978; September 21, 1982 and March 24, 2008.)

**PROPOSED MOTION**

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF VERNON ARTS COMMISSION REGULAR MEMBERS FROM NINE TO FIVE.

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K.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

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L.) ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

M.) IDENTIFICATION/ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

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N.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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O.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF **DECEMBER 16, 2014** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL MOVES **RECONSIDERATION OF THE VOTE** TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON **OCTOBER 21, 2014** TAKEN AT THE NOVEMBER 18, 2014.

THE TOWN COUNCIL MOVES TO **CORRECT** THE MINUTES OF **OCTOBER 21, 2014** TO REFLECT THE **VOTE COUNT** AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO 10 AFFIRMATIVE, 1 NEGATIVE AND 1 ABSTENTION.

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

1. Monthly Report - EMS December, 2014, as submitted by Jean Gauthier, EMS Coordinator.
2. Monthly Report - Town Clerk, December, 2014, as submitted by Bernice K. Dixon, Town Clerk.
3. Monthly Report - Police Department, December, 2014 as submitted by Captain Stephen

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Q.) ADJOURNMENT