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AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3rd Floor
VERNON, CONNECTICUT
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015
7:30 P.M.

- A.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- B.) ROLL CALL

- C.) CITIZENS FORUM

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- D.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION #1

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 TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT **CASE NO. 01-42217 (REG), UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK RE: AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC., ET AL.,** AND INVITES JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; AND TERRY HJARNE, TOWN OF VERNON COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO ATTEND.

EXECUTIVE SESSION #2

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 **MCMANAMAN v. TOWN OF VERNON CLAIM NO. 0105252,** AND INVITES THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND: JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; MICHAEL PURCARO, DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS AND FINANCE FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND ATTORNEY JONATHAN F. REIK OF THE LAW FIRM MCGANN, BARTLETT AND BROWN, LLC.

E.) PUBLIC HEARING (7:35 PM)

"PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO
**"PROPOSED PROGRAMS FOR THE 2015 CONNECTICUT NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSISTANCE ACT"**.

MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE CALLS THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER

CLERK READS THE LEGAL NOTICE

MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE DECLARES THE PUBLIC HEARING –
ADJOURNED

*(NOTE: Final action to be considered during **Section J** – NEW BUSINESS #1)*

F.) PRESENTATIONS

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

G.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

- C 1. Request the Town Council approve budget amendments #38, #39, #40, #41, #42, #43, #44, #45, #46 and #47, as provided by Finance Officer James Luddecke on the budget amendment forms attached to this agenda.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS #38, #39, #40, #41, #42, #43, #44, #45, #46 AND #47 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 AS OUTLINED IN THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS PROVIDED BY FINANCE OFFICER, JAMES M. LUDDECKE.

- C 2. 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 May 21, 2015 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES (1) ONE PRIOR YEAR TAX REFUND FOR A TOTAL OF \$66.02 AND (8) EIGHT CURRENT YEAR TAX REFUNDS FOR A TOTAL OF \$4702.86, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED MAY 21, 2015.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approves Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Karen L. Roy-Guglielmi, (U), 66 Indian Trail, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Human Services Advisory Commission, said term to commence July 1, 2015 and expires June 30, 2017.** (A copy of Ms. Roy-Guglielmi's resume is included for Town Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER XV, SEC. 3, 05-02-1989 TOWN RESOLUTION VOL. 24, PAGE 382 AS AMENDED /VOL. 37 PAGE 266 AND TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION DATED 02-19-2002, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KAREN L. ROY-GUGLIELMI, (U), 66 INDIAN TRAIL, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AND EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2017.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approves Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Terilynn Rogers, (D), 26 White Street, Rockville, Connecticut as a regular member of the Human Services Advisory Commission, said term to commence July 1, 2015 and expires June 30, 2017.** (A copy of Ms. Roger's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

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- C 5. Request the Town Council approves Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of the Honorable Judge O. James Purnell, 14 Park Place, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Human Services Advisory Commission, said term to commence July 1, 2015 and expires June 30, 2017.** (No resume attached. Judge Purnell serves and the Ellington Judge of Probate.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER XV, SEC. 3, 05-02-1989 TOWN RESOLUTION VOL. 24, PAGE 382 AS AMENDED /VOL. 37 PAGE 266 AND TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION DATED 02-19-2002, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF THE HONORABLE JUDGE O. JAMES PURNELL, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AND EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2017.

- C 6. Request the Town Council approves Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of William Campbell, Town Council Member, 14 Park Place, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Human Services Advisory Commission, said term to commence on July 1, 2015 and expires on November 8, 2015.** (No resume attached. Mr. Campbell is a Town Council Member for the Town of Vernon.)

PROPOSED MOTION

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- C 7. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Michael Winkler, Town Council Member, 14 Park Place, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Human Services Advisory Commission, said term to commence on July 1, 2015 and expires on November 8, 2015.** (No resume attached. Mr. Winkler is a Town Council Member for the Town of Vernon).

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER XV, SEC. 3, 05-02-1989 TOWN RESOLUTION VOL. 24, PAGE 382 AS AMENDED /VOL. 37 PAGE 266 AND TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION DATED 02-19-2002, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL WINKLER, TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AND EXPIRES ON NOVEMBER 8, 2015.

- C 8. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Carole Guttman, (U), 6 Lantern Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Board of Assessment Appeals, said term to commence on July 1, 2015 and expires June 30, 2018.** (See Ms. Guttman's resume attached for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO C.G.S. § 7-105 AND CHARTER CHAPTER IX, SECTION 3, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S REAPPOINTMENT OF CAROLE GUTTMAN, (U), 6 LANTERN LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2015 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2018.

- C 9. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Joseph Grabinski, (R), 623 Dart Hill Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Board of Assessment Appeals, said term to commence on July 1, 2015 and expires June 30, 2018.** (See Mr. Grabinski's resume attached for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO C.G.S. § 7-105 AND CHARTER CHAPTER IX, SECTION 3, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH GRABINSKI, (R), 623 DART HILL ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2015 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2018.

- C **10. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Bruce P. Skivington, (U), 3 Eleanor Street Extension, Vernon, Connecticut, as a regular member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, said appointment to commence on July 1, 2015 and expires on June 30, 2020.** (Mr. Skivington's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO VERNON'S CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 2 & 6; THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S REAPPOINTMENT OF BRUCE P. SKIVINGTON, (U), 3 ELEANOR STREET EXTENSION, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, SAID APPOINTMENT COMMENCES ON JULY 1, 2015 AND EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2020.

- C **11. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Wes Shorts, (R), 109 Hany Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, said appointment to commence on July 1, 2015 and expires on June 30, 2020.** (Mr. Shorts' resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO VERNON'S CHARTER CHAP. XV, SEC. 3; EST. 03-02-1982, THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S REAPPOINTMENT OF WES SHORTS, (R), 109 HANY LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SAID TERM TO BEGIN ON JULY 1, 2015 AND EXPIRES JUNE 30, 2018.

H.) DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

I.) PENDING BUSINESS

J.) NEW BUSINESS

- 1) **Request the Town Council take action relative to the Public Hearing held earlier relative to the 2015 Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act (CTNAA) funding.** (See memorandum from Marina Rodriguez, Director of the Vernon Social Services Department relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL DOES HEREBY APPROVE THE 2015 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT LIST OF PROGRAMS AS ATTACHED.

- 2) **request the Town Council authorize Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to execute documents relative to the Main Street Bridge over the Tankerhoosen with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation.** (See memorandum dated May 28, 2015 to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne and the Vernon Town Council relative to the State/Town Agreement for Design of the Main Street Bridge over the Tankerhoosen River included for Council review.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

PURSUANT TO THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, CHAPTER 5, § 5 TITLED "GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES", BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE HONORABLE DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE, MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT FOR "***THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONTRACT PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE REHABILITATION OR REPLACEMENT OF THE MAIN STREET BRIDGE OVER THE TANKERHOUSEN***", WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

- 3) **Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's appointment of Michelle Hill to the position of Director of the Youth Services Bureau.** (See memorandum dated May 28, 2015 from Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to the Vernon Town Council and John D. Ward, Town Administrator relative to same. Also included is the resume of Ms. Hill and the job description for the Director position.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL , PURSUANT TO CHAPTER X, SEC. 3, AND CHAPTER XI, SEC. 1,3, AND 21 OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S APPOINTMENT OF MS. MICHELLE HILL, TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF THE YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU FOR THE TOWN OF VERNON.

- 4) **Request the Town Council authorize Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to execute the necessary documents for application and receipt of the YSB cost sharing funds from the State Department of Education in the amount of \$23,238.00.** (See memorandum from Alan Slobodien, Director of the Vernon YSB relative to same.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIVE YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU COST-SHARING FUNDS FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN AN AMOUNT OF \$23,238.00.

- 5) **Request the Town Council authorize Mayor Daniel A. Champagne to execute the necessary paperwork to make application for and receive Youth Services Bureau Enhancement Grant funds from the State Department of Education in the amount of \$6111.00.** (See memorandum from Alan Slobodien, Director, of the Vernon Youth Services relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIVE YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU ENHANCEMENT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN AN AMOUNT OF \$6111.00.

K.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

L.) ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

M.) IDENTIFICATION/ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

N.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

O.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING **MAY 19, 2015** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

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

1. Monthly Report – Vernon Police Department for April, 2015, as submitted by Captain of Police, Stephen M. Clark.
2. Cancellation Notice for the June 16, 2015 Town Council meeting.
3. Invitation to the Tree Planting in honor of former Mayor Marie Herbst. June 2, 2015, 6:30 PM in Central Park. (Just prior to the Town Council Meeting scheduled for 7:30 PM.)

Q.) ADJOURNMENT
