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

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016
7:30 P.M.

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

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

F.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

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

G.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

- C 1.** Request for the approval Tax Refunds for Prior and Current Year (s) . (A copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Collector of Revenue, to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated March 22, 2016 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES TWO (2) PRIOR YEAR TAX REFUNDS FOR A TOTAL OF \$630.32 AND THREE (3) CURRENT YEAR TAX REFUNDS FOR A TOTAL OF \$1985.82, AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED MARCH 22, 2016.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Daniel A. Champagne's reappointment of Richard J. Quinn, (D), 110 Main Street, Talcottville, Connecticut as a regular member of the Historic Properties Commission, said term to commence on April 6, 2016 and expires on April 5, 2021. (A copy of Mr. Quinn's resume is included for Council review.)**

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 185 (TOWN CODE SEC. 2-122) THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES MAYOR DANIEL A. CHAMPAGNE'S REAPPOINTMENT OF RICHARD J. QUINN, (D), 110 MAIN STREET, TALCOTTVILLE, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON APRIL 6, 2016 AND ENDS ON APRIL 5, 2021.

H.) **DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS**

I.) **PENDING BUSINESS**

- 1. Follow up information relative to the Information Technology VOIP Project.** (See memorandum from Robert Sigan, Director of Information Technologies dated March 23, 2016 to John D. Ward, Town Administrator relative to same.)

J.) **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Request the Town Council approve a bid waiver for the Town's Health Insurance.** (See memorandum from John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated March 29, 2016 to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne and the Vernon Town Council relative to same.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER TWELVE (XII) SECTION NINE (9) OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO (1) WAIVE THE TRADITIONAL SEALED BID REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING HEALTH INSURANCE SERVICES, AND HEREBY AUTHORIZES **CONNECTICUTCARE, INC.**, FARMINGTON, CONNECTICUT, TO SERVE AS HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER TO THE TOWN OF VERNON AND; (2) AUTHORIZES THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR JOHN D. WARD AS THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY INSTRUMENT (S) TO THAT EFFECT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF VERNON.

2. **Request the Town Council approve the Non-Emergency Interagency Agreement relative to cross-jurisdictional swearing in between the Towns of Manchester, South Windsor and Vernon Police Departments.**

PROPOSED MOTION

THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE NON-EMERGENCY INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF SOUTH WINDSOR, MANCHESTER AND VERNON FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND POLICE SERVICES, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES TOWN ADMINISTRATOR JOHN D. WARD TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT.

3. **Request the Town Council approve a bid waiver for establishment of a new Fitness Trail in memory of Mikey Shea, with funds donated by his mother Lauren Lalancette.** (See memorandum from John D. Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne and Vernon Town Council dated March 29, 2016. Also included is a drawing of the trail for your review.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER TWELVE (XII) SECTION NINE (9) OF THE TOWN CHARTER, THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO WAIVE THE TRADITIONAL SEALED BID REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING FITNESS EQUIPMENT FOR PLACEMENT ON THE MIKEY SHEA FITNESS TRAIL, FROM **ULTIPLAY PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS**, AND HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT STEPHEN KRAJEWSKI TO PURCHASE SAID EQUIPMENT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF VERNON, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00.

4. **Request approval from the Town Council to abate property taxes on leased computer equipment.** (See memorandum from James M. Luddecke, Finance Officer and Treasurer dated March 30, 2016 to John D. Ward, Town Administrator relative to same.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12-81t OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES, TO ABATE THE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES ON THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT TO BE LEASED FROM VAR TECHNOLOGY FINANCE PERTAINING TO THE EQUIPMENT INCLUDED IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA CLUSTER, AS PROVIDED BY GovCONNECTION, INC. PER

CONTRACT NUMBER 1072. THIS ABATEMENT IS FOR 100% OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE FIVE-YEAR TERM OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT. AND FURTHER, AUTHORIZES THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF VERNON ANY INSTRUMENT(S) TO THAT EFFECT.

5. **Request the Town Council approve the resolution adding roads for inclusion into the Road Bond.** (See memorandum from John D. Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne and the Vernon Town Council relative to same. Also included is the resolution relative to same.)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE RESOLUTION ENTITLED, "**HEREBY RESOLVED AS OF APRIL 5, 2016, THE TOWN COUNCIL MODIFIES THE SCOPE OF ORDINANCE #299 - ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS, BY ADDING RESERVOIR ROAD, FISH AND GAME ROAD, PHOENIX STREET THE BOLTON LAKE GROUP OF ROADS TO THE PROJECT.**" AS PRESENTED.

K.) **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE**

1. **Request the Town Council consider the proposed ordinance entitled "An Act Concerning Panhandling", and scheduling a public hearing for same.** (See memorandum dated March 29, 2016 from John D. Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Daniel A. Champagne and the Vernon Town Council relative to same. Copy of the Ordinance is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR COMMENT AND ANSWER QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO A PROPOSED ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ACT CONCERNING PANHANDLING," ON APRIL 19, 2016, AT 7:40 PM, THIRD FLOOR, MEMORIAL BUILDING, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT.

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 OF **MARCH 15, 2016** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF **MARCH 19, 2016** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF **MARCH 22, 2016** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF **MARCH 24, 2016** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF **MARCH 26, 2016** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF **MARCH 28, 2016** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF **MARCH 29, 2016** AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

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

1. Monthly Report – February, 2016 for the Vernon Town Clerk, as submitted by Bernice K. Dixon, Town Clerk.
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Q.) ADJOURNMENT