

March 24, 2010

**APPROVED MINUTES**  
**VERNON TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING**  
**TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**  
**VERNON, CONNECTICUT**

**March 24, 2010 – 7:00 PM**

Mayor Jason L. McCoy called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Council Members Bill Campbell, Mark Etre, Judy Hany, Marie Herbst, James Krupienski, Brian R. Motola, Pauline Schaefer, Harry D. Thomas, Michael A. Winkler

**Absent:** Daniel Anderson, Daniel Champagne, Sean O'Shea

**Entered During Meeting:**

**Also Present:** Mayor Jason L. McCoy, Town Administrator John Ward, Recording Secretary Jill Kentfield

**CITIZEN'S FORUM**

Steve and Sara Litton, 41 Hayes Dr. Sara spoke about her experiences at Skinner Road School and asked the Town Council to support the Education budget.

Beth Mix, Grand Avenue, asked Town Council Members to support the Education budget.

Marianne Leveque, 183 Bolton Road, asked Town Council Members to support the Education budget as is and also voiced her concerns about the Planning and Zoning and Building Departments are not at full staff.

Nancy Sullivan, Evergreen Road asked Town Council Members to support the Education budget as is.

Gene, asked the Town Council members to support the Education budget and requested Administration look into pursuing a consortium with surrounding towns to purchase health care insurance

Charlie Chatterton 15 Warner Dr., asked Town Council Members to support the Education budget as is.

Olaf Hemanson, 25 cold Springs Dr. asked Town Council Members to support the Education budget as is.

Citizen's forum closed at 7:17 PM

**PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor McCoy gave opening remarks and provided information regarding the 2010-2011 budget. He encouraged the Public to attend the annual town meeting which takes place the last Tuesday in April to support the budget.

**MAYORAL REQUEST:**

The Mayor hereby requests that each Department Head in attendance present a brief overview of their department's budget to the Town Council prior to budget discussion.

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## **BUDGET REVIEW**

The Town Council shall consider the budgets for FY 2010-2011 for various departments, divisions and organizations to include:

1. Education
2. Education – Capital Improvements
3. Assessment
4. Revaluation
5. Board of Assessment Appeals
6. Collector of Revenue
7. Refunds – Tax Adjustments
8. Arts Commission
9. Historical Society
10. Rockville Public Library
11. Recreation Administration
12. Recreation Public Celebration
13. Recreation – Parks Maintenance
14. Recreation Programs Account

Directors from each Department presented information and answered questions regarding their budget submissions.

### **Education**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to open tab 12, page 77, in the amount of \$47,558,959, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place. Board of Education spokesperson George Apel presented a power point regarding the Education budget.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Herbst made a motion to close tab 12, page 77, account 10990330 in the amount of \$47,558,959, motion carried unanimously.

### **Education – Capital Improvements**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Krupienski made a motion to open tab 12, page 74, in the amount of \$0 motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Krupienski made a motion to close tab 12, page 74, account 10990330 in the amount of \$0, motion carried unanimously.

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### **Assessment**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open tab 5, page 13, in the amount of \$254,486, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to close tab 5, page 13, account 10114144 in the amount of \$254,486, motion carried unanimously.

### **Revaluation**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open tab 5, page 16, in the amount of \$30,000, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to close tab 5, page 16, account 10114147 in the amount of \$30,000, motion carried unanimously.

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**Board of Assessment Appeals**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Herbst made a motion to open tab 5, page 18, in the amount of \$2,700, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to close tab 5, page 18, account 10116155 in the amount of \$2,700, motion carried unanimously.

**Collector of Revenue**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open tab 5, page 15, in the amount of \$201,375, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Herbst made a motion to close tab 5, page 15, account 10114144 in the amount of \$201,375, motion carried unanimously.

**Refunds – Tax Adjustments**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open tab 5, page 14, in the amount of \$25,000, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Etre made a motion to close tab 5, page 14, account 10114145 in the amount of \$25,000, motion carried unanimously.

**Arts Commission**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open tab 9, page 62, in the amount of \$11,840, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Hany made a motion to close tab 9, page 62, account 10562260 in the amount of \$18,840, motion carried unanimously.

**Historical Society**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open tab 9, page 63, in the amount of \$5,000, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Etre made a motion to close tab 9, page 63, account 10562261 in the amount of \$5,000, motion carried unanimously.

**Rockville Public Library**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open tab 9, page 64, in the amount of \$300,000, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

(Extend Curfew 9:54 PM) Council Member Krupienski, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to extend curfew until close of business. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to close tab 9, page 64, account 10562262 in the amount of \$300,000, motion carried unanimously.

**Recreation Administration**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Krupienski made a motion to open tab 9, page 58, in the amount of \$410,606, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

10:20 PM Council Member Krupienski left the meeting

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made a motion to close tab 9, page 58, account 10560250 in the amount of \$410,606, motion carried unanimously.

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**Recreation Public Celebration**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open tab 9, page 60, in the amount of \$15,600, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Etre made a motion to close tab 9, page 60, account 10560253 in the amount of \$15,600, motion carried unanimously.

**Recreation – Parks Maintenance**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Schaefer made a motion to open tab 9, page 61, in the amount of \$576,697, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Etre, seconded by Council Member Herbst made a motion to close tab 9, page 61, account 10560254 in the amount of \$576,697, motion carried unanimously.

**Recreation Programs Account**

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Campbell made a motion to open tab 12, page 81, in the amount of \$596,420, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Etre made a motion to close tab 12, page 81, account 26560444 in the amount of \$596,420, motion carried unanimously.

RECESS (10:40 PM)

This meeting was recessed until Thursday, March 25, 2010.

Received: March 29, 2010

Approved: May 4, 2010

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Kentfield  
Recording Secretary

Karen C. Daigle  
Assistant Town Clerk