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AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3rd Floor
VERNON, CONNECTICUT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2011
7:00 P.M.

A.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B.) ROLL CALL

C.) CITIZENS FORUM

D.) PUBLIC HEARINGS

E.) PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION

Presentation of Awards and Proclamations by Mayor Jason L. McCoy to Parks and Recreation's Annual Award Winners. **Community Service Awards** – Brian Gardiner, Megan Le, Robert Wiszniak, Kevin Perrone, Christopher Perrone, George Janssen and Kevin Skula. **Outstanding Organization Award** – Dunkin' Donuts. **Outstanding Service Award** – Randy Neal and **Outstanding Volunteer Coach** – Matt Burnham.

Presentation of the proceeds from the Arctic Splash Fundraiser by Mayor Jason L. McCoy to the Rizner Family.

Presentation to the Town Council by Mayor Jason L. McCoy on a variety of topics.

F.) ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

- 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 January 24, 2011 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES TAX REFUNDS FOR PRIOR YEARS TOTALING \$176.16 AND FOR THE CURRENT YEAR TOTALING \$5,445.36 AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM TERRY HJARNE, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO JOHN D. WARD, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR DATED January 24, 2011.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment of Stanley H. Cohen, (D) 67 Meadowview Lane, Vernon, Connecticut, as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2011.** (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 JASON L. MCCOY'S APPOINTMENT OF STANLEY H. COHEN, (D) 67 MEADOWVIEW LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2011.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment of Victor Riscassi, (U), 71 Bette Circle, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Riscassi'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 JASON L. MCCOY'S APPOINTMENT OF VICTOR RISCASSI, (U), 71 BETTE CIRCLE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment of Daniel P. Sullivan, (R), 2 Foster Drive, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2011.** (A copy of Mr. Sullivan'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 JASON L. MCCOY'S APPOINTMENT OF DANIEL P. SULLIVAN (R), 2 FOSTER DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2011.

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment Richard J. Madden (R), 34 Danny Trail, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Water Pollution Control Authority said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Madden's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO CHARTER CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 3; AND CHARTER CHAPTER XII, SEC. 4, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF RICHARD J. MADDEN, (R), 34 DANNY TRAIL, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY, SAID APPOINTMENT TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 6. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment of Matthew Kennedy (U), 86 Main Street, Vernon, Connecticut, as an alternate member of the Local Historic Properties Commission, said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Kennedy's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 185 (TOWN CODE SEC. 2-122) THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW KENNEDY, (U), 86 MAIN STREET, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 7. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment of Daniel Knight (R), 655 Talcottville Road #167, Vernon Connecticut as a regular member of the Design Review Advisory Commission, said term to commence February 2, 2011 and expires December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mr. Knight's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE #268, TOWN CODE SEC. 10-105 - 10-108 THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF DANIEL KNIGHT, (R), 655 TALCOTTVILLE ROAD, #167, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMISSION, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 8. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's reappointment of Marie Herbst, (D), 245 Brandy Hill Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular members of the Capital Improvement Committee, said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2013.**

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO VERNON TOWN CODE, ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 10-61 - 10-63, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF MARIE HERBST, (D), 245 BRANDY HILL ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 9. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment of Nancy Osborn (R), 95 West Road, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the Capital Improvements Committee, said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2013.** (A copy of Mrs. Osborn's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO VERNON TOWN CODE, ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 10-61 - 10-63, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF NANCY OSBORN, (R), 95 WEST ROAD, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE, SAID TERM TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2013.

- C 10. Request the Town Council approve Mayor Jason L. McCoy's appointment of William E. Roch, (R), 14 Lantern Lane, Vernon, Connecticut as an alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, said term to commence on February 2, 2011 and expires on December 31, 2015.** (A copy of Mr. Roch's resume is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, CHAPTER VIII, SEC. 1 & 6, AND CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES SEC. 8-4a & b, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM E. ROCH, (R), 14 LANTERN LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM COMMENCING ON FEBRUARY 2, 2011 AND EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 2015.

- C 11. Request the Town Council Assign Any and All Outstanding Tax Liens on 45 Village Street, Vernon Connecticut to the Vernon Housing Authority.** (A memorandum dated 1/13/2011 from John Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Vernon Town Council and supporting documents are included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ASSIGNS ANY AND ALL OUTSTANDING TAX LIENS ON 45 VILLAGE ST, SAID PARCEL FURTHER DESCRIBED AS TAX MAP # 23-093-00014 INCLUDING THE LIEN ON THE GRAND LIST OCTOBER 1, 2000 TO THE VERNON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

- C 12. Request the Town Council authorize Mayor Jason L. McCoy to enter into and execute an Agreement titled "Project Grant Agreement Between The State Of Connecticut And The Town Of Vernon Under The Local Bridge Program For Phoenix Street Bridge Over Tankerhoosen River, Bridge No. 146008.** (Copies of the Agreement with the State of Connecticut and the Town of Vernon titled "*Project Grant Agreement Between The State Of Connecticut And The Town Of Vernon Under The Local Bridge Program For Phoenix Street Bridge Over Tankerhoosen River, Bridge No. 146008*" and memorandums from Terry McCarthy, Town Engineer to John Ward, Town Administrator dated 12/23/10 and from John Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Vernon Town Council, dated January 13, 2011 are included in the Council Packet)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT JASON L. MCCOY, MAYOR, OF THE TOWN OF VERNON IS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT "***PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND THE TOWN OF VERNON UNDER THE LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAM FOR PHOENIX STREET BRIDGE OVER TANKERHOUSEN RIVER, BRIDGE NO. 146008.***"

- C 13. Request the Town Council authorize Mayor Jason L. McCoy to enter into and execute an Agreement titled "Agreement Between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Vernon for the Construction, Inspection and Maintenance of the Replacement of the Phoenix Street Bridge (Bridge No. 146008) Utilizing Federal Funds Under the Urban Component of the Surface Transportation Program.**

PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED, THAT JASON L. MCCOY, MAYOR BE, AND HEREBY IS, AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT ENTITLED "AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND THE TOWN OF VERNON FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE REPLACEMENT OF THE PHOENIX STREET BRIDGE (NO. 146088) UTILIZING FEDERAL FUNDS UNDER THE URBAN COMPONENT OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM."

- C 14. Request the Town Council authorize the Mayor Jason L. McCoy to apply for a Historic Preservation Grant for restoration of the Talcottville Mill Complex.** (A copy of a memorandum from Marina C. Rodriguez, ED Coordinator and Assistant Town Planner dated January 11, 2011 to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Town Council is included for review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES THAT MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY IS AUTHORIZED TO FILE AN APPLICATION ON FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE CONNECTICUT TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION FOR A HISTORIC PRESERVATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,000.00), AND UPON APPROVAL OF SAID REQUEST TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE CONNECTICUT TRUST FOR SUCH ASSISTANCE TO VERNON FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE TALCOTTVILLE MILL COMPLEX.

- C 15. Request the Town Council approve the bid waiver presented by Finance Officer James M. Luddecke relative to a GMC Envoy purchase from an operating lease.** (A copy of a memorandum from Finance Officer James Luddecke dated January 13, 2011 to Town Administrator John D. Ward is included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

RESOLVED, THE TOWN COUNCIL CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN CHARTER, CHAPTER 12, SECTION 9, DETERMINES THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO WAIVE THE BID PROCEDURE FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) GMC ENVOY, AND AUTHORIZES THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE PURCHASE OF THE VEHICLE FROM ALLY FINANCIAL, P.O. BOX 9001948, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, FOR THE AMOUNT \$14,154.82.

- C 16. Request the Town Council approve budget amendments # 3 - #12 for fiscal year 2010-2011.** (Copies of the budget amendment requests as submitted by Finance Officer James Luddecke are including in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS # 3 - #12 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 AS OUTLINED IN THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS PROVIDED BY FINANCE OFFICER, JAMES LUDDECKE.

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- G.) IDENTIFICATION AND ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS
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- H.) PENDING BUSINESS
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- I.) NEW BUSINESS
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- J.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES
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- K.) ACTION ON ORDINANCE(S) PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED
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L.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS, PULLED CONSENT ITEMS FROM F) AND PULLED ITEMS FROM O) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, ETC

M.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 7, 2010 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

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N.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

1. Senior Center Newsletter "Senior Moments", Issue #8, January, 2011, submitted by Paula Claydon, Senior Center Director.
2. Letter dated December 13, 2010 from Commissioner Peter J. Boynton, Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security to Mayor Jason L. McCoy.
3. Monthly Report for EMS for December, 2010, as submitted by EMS Coordinator Jean Gauthier.
4. Monthly Report for Vernon Police Department, December, 2010, as submitted by Captain Stephen M. Clark.
5. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report dated January 12, 2011 as presented by James M. Luddecke, Finance Officer. (Electronic Version being sent under separate cover. Hard copies available upon request.)
6. Monthly Report - December, 2010 for the Building Department as submitted by B. Peter Hobbs, Building Official.
7. Monthly Report - December, 2010 for the Youth Service Bureau as submitted by Alan M. Slobodien, Director YSB.