

**SPECIAL MEETING
BUDGET HEARING
OF THE
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
April 6, 2006**

Senior Center, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 26 Park Place, Vernon, CT

Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D. called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

The Clerk called the roll as follows:

Present: Council Members Daniel E. Anderson, Bill F. Campbell, Bill Fox, Marie A. Herbst, Brian R. Motola, Mary A. Oliver, Pauline A. Schaefer, Connie Simon, Christy N. Vale; 9.

Absent: Council Members Daniel A. Champagne, Mark S. Etre, Jason L. McCoy; 3.

Entered During Meeting: Council Members Daniel A. Champagne (9:34 p.m.), Mark S. Etre (7:17 p.m.), Jason L. McCoy (7:07 p.m.); 3.

Exited During Meeting: Council Members Mark S. Etre (10:29 p.m.), Pauline A. Schaefer (10:24 p.m.); 2.

Also Present: Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D., Town Administrator Laurence R. Shaffer, Finance Officer James Luddecke, Budget Analyst Diane Luddecke, Asst Town Clerk James Krupienski and Recording Secretary Karin Z. Pike.

Council Member McCoy entered the meeting (7:07 p.m.)

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

Denise J. Stankovics, 133 Phoenix Street and Donna Enman, 247 Old Stafford Road, Tolland, both spoke in favor of the Rockville Public Library's Budget.

Robert Hurd, 7 Rheel Street, President Board of Trustees Rockville Public Library, spoke in favor of the library budget.

Thomas DiDio, 112 Box Mountain drive, spoke in favor of the previously proposed YMCA and felt that it should have been left up to the voters of the Town to decide for or against it.

Brian R. Motola, 48 Hale Street, spoke regarding the reinstatement of the RDA budget.

Council Member Etre entered the meeting (7:17 p.m.)

Council Member Schaefer updated the Council as to the RAGE Team, which had won 4th place in the Philadelphia competition.

No other residents wished to speak and Citizen's Forum was closed at 7:20 p.m.

PRESENTATION STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS-REVENUE REVIEW

State Senator Tony Guglielmo and State Representative Joan Lewis presented revenue projections from the State of Connecticut.

REVENUE DISCUSSION:

Finance Officer James Luddecke was available for questions and comment.

Discussion took place.

BUDGET REVISIONS:

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Schaefer, moved TO OPEN AND CHANGE THE BUDGETS AS APPENDED TO THESE MINUTES; AND TO CLOSE AT THE REVISED AMOUNT. The motion was carried unanimously 11 to 0 on a voice vote.

(A copy of the Revisions are appended to these minutes and marked as "Appendix A.")

Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D. called a recess. The meeting recessed at 9:02 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:13 p.m.

REVENUE:

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Simon, MOVED TO **INCREASE:**

TAB 2 ENERGY ASSISTANCE GRANTS BY \$190,000.

The motion was carried unanimously 11 to 0 on a voice vote.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Herbst, MOVED TO **INCREASE:**

TAB 2 CODE 43700 PILOT HOSPITAL GRANT BY \$42,532. for a total of \$568,196.

The motion was carried unanimously 11 to 0 on a voice vote.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Simon, MOVED TO **INCREASE:**

TAB 2 CODE 43701 PILOT STATE OWNED PROPERTY GRANT BY \$14,438. for a total of \$39,543.

The motion was carried unanimously 11 to 0 on a voice vote.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Oliver, MOVED TO **REDUCE:**

TAB 2 CODE 43720 MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT & MOHEGAN GRANT BY \$19,298. for a total of \$346,764.

The motion was carried unanimously 11 to 0 on a voice vote.

BUDGET DISCUSSION:

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 8 PAGE 57 CODE 10457242 SENIOR CENTER

OBJECT CODE 51030 PART-TIME WAGES BY \$2,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 5 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Etre, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Schaefer, Simon and Oliver voting no.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 12 PAGE 81 CODE 23342420 CEMETERY OPERATIONS

OBJECT CODE 51030 PART-TIME WAGES BY \$5,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 5 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Etre, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Schaefer, Simon and Oliver voting no.

Council Member Champagne entered the meeting (9:34 p.m.)

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 9 PAGE 65 CODE 10562262 ROCKVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

OBJECT CODE 58710 GRANTS BY \$25,000.

The motion failed 6 to 7 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Etre, McCoy and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Motola, Oliver, Schaefer and Simon voting no. Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D. broke the tie voting no.

Council Member Campbell, seconded by Council Member Anderson, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 12 PAGE 78 CODE 10990330 BOARD OF EDUCATION

OBJECT CODE 58900 BOARD OF EDUCATION BY \$50,000.

The motion was carried 10 to 2 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Etre, Fox, Herbst, Motola, Oliver, Schaefer and Simon voting yes and Council Members McCoy and Vale voting no.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Anderson, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 11 PAGE 75 CODE 10780291 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-BOARD OF EDUCATION

OBJECT CODE 58800 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-BOARD OF EDUCATION BY \$5,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 2 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne Etre, McCoy and Motola voting yes and Council Members Fox and Vale voting no. Council Members Herbst, Schaefer, Simon and Oliver abstained.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 5 PAGE 22 CODE 10150170 TOWN PLANNER-ADMINISTRATION

OBJECT CODE 53800 OTHER FEES BY \$6,300.

The motion was carried 6 to 5 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Etre, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver, Schaefer and Simon voting no. Council Member Champagne abstained.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Anderson, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 5 PAGE 22 CODE 10150170 TOWN PLANNER-ADMINISTRATION

OBJECT CODE 53010 CLERICAL FEES BY \$1,200.

The motion was carried 6 to 5 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Etre, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver, Schaefer and Simon voting no. Council Member Champagne abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Campbell, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 33 CODE 10340201 GENERAL MAINTENANCE

OBJECT CODE 53800 OTHER FEES-MS4 STORM WATER OUT-FLOW MAPPING & GIS BY \$6,000.

The motion failed 1 to 10 on a voice vote with Council Member McCoy voting yes and Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Fox, Herbst, Motola, Oliver, Schaefer, Simon and Vale voting no. Council Member Etre abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 33 CODE 10340201 GENERAL MAINTENANCE

OBJECT CODE 54450 RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT/VEHICLES-NEW SIDEWALK BY \$3,000.

The motion was carried 7 to 5 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Etre, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver, Schaefer and Simon voting no.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Oliver, moved TO EXTEND CURFEW UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS. The motion was carried unanimously 12 to 0 on a voice vote.

Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D. called a recess. The meeting recessed at 10:20 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:24 p.m.

Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D. called a second recess. The meeting recessed at 10:24 p.m.

Council Member Schaefer exited the meeting (10:25 p.m.)

The meeting reconvened at 10:28 p.m.

Council Member Etre exited the meeting (10:29 p.m.)

Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 9 PAGE 65 CODE 10562262 ROCKVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

OBJECT CODE 58710 GRANTS BY \$20,000.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Vale, moved TO *AMEND* THE MOTION TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT TO \$15,000. The amendment was passed unanimously 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

The motion, as amended, was carried 6 to 4 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Oliver and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Motola and Simon voting no.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 35 CODE 10340203 MAINTENANCE OF GOVERNMENT BUILDING

OBJECT CODE 57200 BUILDING/BUILDING IMPROVEMENT-POLICE-UPDATE CLOCK SYS. TO DIGITAL BY \$3,700.

The motion was carried 5 to 4 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver, and Simon voting no. Council Member Champagne abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 36 CODE 10340204 SNOW BY \$100,000.

The motion was carried 5 to 4 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver, and Simon voting no. Council Member Champagne abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 37 CODE 10340205 REFUSE COLLECTION & DISPOSAL

OBJECT CODE 56190 OTHER OPERATING SUPPLIES BY \$2,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, and Oliver voting no. Council Member Simon abstained.

Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 40 CODE 10340208 TREE WARDEN BY \$3,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 4 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver and Simon voting no.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 12 PAGE 83 CODE 42340704 CENTER 375 BY \$166,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 4 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver and Simon voting no.

A recess was called at 11:10 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 11:18 p.m.

Council Member Vale, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **RESCIND** THE PREVIOUS VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED TO **REDUCE**: TAB 12 PAGE 83 CODE 42340704 CENTER 375 BY \$166,000.

The motion to rescind was carried unanimously 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 11 PAGE 74 CODE 10780290 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-TOWN

OBJECT CODE 57200 BUILDINGS/BUILDING IMPROVEMENT-TOWN HALL ANNEX-STRIP ROOF & REPLACE BY \$16,900.

The motion was carried 6 to 2 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox and Simon voting no. Council Members Herbst and Oliver abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Anderson, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 11 PAGE 74 CODE 10780290 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-TOWN

OBJECT CODE 57610 CARS & VANS BY \$37,000.

Council Member Herbst, seconded by Council Member Simon, moved TO **AMEND** THE MOTION TO \$17,000. The amendment failed 3 to 7 on a voice vote with Council Members Herbst, Oliver and Simon voting yes and Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Fox, McCoy, Motola, and Vale voting no.

The main motion was carried 5 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Oliver and Simon voting no. Council Members Champagne and Herbst abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 11 PAGE 74 CODE 10780290 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-TOWN

OBJECT CODE 57620 TRUCKS BY \$276,807. LEAVING \$29,000. IN ORDER TO LEASE ONE (1) PW DUMP TRUCK.

The motion was carried 6 to 2 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox and Oliver voting no. Council Members Herbst and Simon abstained.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Anderson, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 12 PAGE 84 CODE 51617710 DATA PROCESSING CENTER

OBJECT CODE 53800 OTHER FEES BY \$500.

The motion was carried 9 to 1 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Fox, Herbst, McCoy, Motola, Simon and Vale voting yes and Council Member Oliver voting no.

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 5 PAGE 22 CODE 10150170 TOWN PLANNER-ADMINISTRATION

OBJECT CODE 55650 CONFERENCE FEES & MEMBERSHIPS –
NORTH CENTRAL CT SOIL CONSERVATION SERV. BY \$700.
HOUSING EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTER BY \$1000.

The motion was carried 6 to 2 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox and Oliver voting no. Council Members Herbst and Simon abstained.

Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 10 PAGE 71 CODE 10672280 CONTINGENCY BY \$30,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 4 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver and Simon voting no.

Council Member Vale, seconded by McCoy, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 35 CODE 10340203 MAINTENANCE OF GOVERNMENT BUILDING

OBJECT CODE 57290 OTHER TOWN BUILDINGS & GROUNDS-SENIOR CENTER REFINISH WOOD
FLOORS BY \$5,500.

The motion was carried 7 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola, Simon and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, and Oliver voting no.

Council Member Vale, seconded by Council Member Campbell, MOVED TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 9 PAGE 58 CODE 10560250 RECREATION ADMINISTRATION

CODE 53800 OTHER FEES BY \$5,000.

The motion was carried 7 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Fox, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Herbst, Oliver and Simon voting no.

Council Member Champagne left the table.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Anderson, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 6 PAGE 24 CODE 10230180 POLICE

OBJECT CODE 55680 EXAMS & TESTS BY \$1,500.

The motion was carried 6 to 1 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Fox, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Member Oliver voting no. Council Members Herbst and Simon abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 6 PAGE 24 CODE 10230180 POLICE

OBJECT CODE 56920 FIREARM SUPPLIES BY \$1,650.

The motion was carried unanimously 8 to 0 on a voice vote. Council Member Oliver abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Campbell, MOVED TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 6 PAGE 24 CODE 10230180 POLICE

OBJECT CODE 56920 FIREARM SUPPLIES BY \$200.

The motion was carried unanimously 7 to 0 on a voice vote. Council Members Fox and Oliver abstained. **

Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 6 PAGE 24 CODE 10230180 POLICE

OBJECT CODE 57870 WEAPON-5.56MM CARBINES FOR PATROL BY \$8,500.

The motion was carried unanimously 9 to 0 on a voice vote.

Council Member Campbell, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 6 PAGE 24 CODE 10230180 POLICE BY \$847.

OBJECT CODE 57873 OTHER SAFETY EQUIPMENT:

REDUCE SAFETY VEST REPLACEMENT BY (\$1,947.)

INCREASE CREST TRAINING EQUIPMENT BY \$300.

INCREASE TASER CARTRIDGES/SERVICES AND TRAINING BY \$300.

INCREASE 12 GAUGE BEAN BAG ROUNDS BY \$350.

INCREASE X26 TASERS W/ACCESSORIES BY \$150.

NET TOTAL: (\$847.)

The motion was carried unanimously 9 to 0 on a voice vote.

** **The vote should read:** The motion was carried 8 to 0 on a voice vote. Council Member Oliver abstained.

Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 6 PAGE 26 CODE 10230182 TRAFFIC AUTHORITY

OBJECT CODE 54450 RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT/VEHICLES-STREET LINE PAINTING BY \$10,000.

The motion was carried 5 to 4 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Herbst, Oliver and Simon voting no.

Council Member Champagne returned to the table.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Anderson, MOVED TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 9 PAGE 62 CODE 10560254 PARKS MAINTENANCE

OBJECT CODE 51030 PART-TIME WAGES BY \$15,000.

The motion was carried 9 to 1 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Fox, Herbst, McCoy, Motola, Simon and Vale voting yes and Council Member Oliver voting no.

Council Members Herbst and Motola left the table.

Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, MOVED TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 5 PAGE 23 CODE 10151171 COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

OBJECT CODE 58800 ROCKVILLE DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION BY \$5,000.

The motion was carried 5 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Fox and McCoy voting yes and Council Members Oliver, Simon and Vale voting no.

Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D. called a recess at 11:28 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 11:34 p.m.

Council Members Herbst and Motola returned to the table.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 7 PAGE 35 CODE 10340203 MAINTENANCE OF GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

OBJECT CODE 54460 RENTAL OF LAND/BUILDINGS-CENTER 375 BY \$11,920.

The motion was carried 6 to 1 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Member Fox voting no. Council Members Herbst, Oliver and Simon abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 9 PAGE 58 CODE 10560250 RECREATION ADMINISTRATION

OBJECT CODE 54460 RENTAL OF LAND/BUILDINGS BY \$7,880.

The motion was carried 6 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Member Fox, Oliver and Simon voting no. Council Member Herbst abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **REDUCE**:

TAB 5 PAGE 5 CODE 10113130 REGISTRATION

OBJECT CODE 54460 RENTAL OF LAND/BUILDINGS BY \$3,080.

The motion was carried 6 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Member Fox, Oliver and Simon voting no. Council Member Herbst abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, moved TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 12 PAGE 83 CODE 42340704 CENTER 375

OBJECT CODE 53192 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FEES BY \$25,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Member Fox, Herbst and Simon voting no. Council Member Oliver abstained.

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, MOVED TO **INCREASE**:

TAB 2 PAGE 7 REVENUE BY \$25,000.

The motion was carried 6 to 1 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Member Fox voting no. Council Member Herbst, Oliver and Simon abstained.

Mayor Ellen L. Marmer, M.D. called a recess to enable Finance Officer James Luddecke to finalize the figures for the 2006-2007 budget.

The meeting recessed at 12:45 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:20 a.m.

APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF VERNON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007

Council Member Vale, seconded by Council Member Campbell, moved TO APPROVE THE TOWN OF VERNON **GENERAL GOVERNMENT** APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$24,200,153.**; THE **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND DEBT SERVICE** APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$4,251,984;** AND THE **EDUCATION** BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$43,484,483** FOR A GENERAL FUND TOTAL OF **\$71,936,620.**

The motion was carried 6 to 5 with Council Members Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Anderson, Fox, Herbst, Oliver and Simon voting no. The tie was broken by the Mayor voting yes.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET REVENUE ESTIMATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007

Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Vale, moved TO APPROVE THE TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$71,936,620.** TO COINCIDE WITH THE TOTAL RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATIONS OF **\$71,936,620.** AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCE OFFICER TO ADJUST LINE ITEMS IN THE ESTIMATED REVENUES AS MAY BE DEEMED NECESSARY.

The motion was carried 6 to 3 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, McCoy, Motola and Vale voting yes and Council Members Fox, Oliver and Simon voting no. Council Member Herbst abstained.

APPROVAL OF TOWN OF VERNON BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 FOR PRESENTATION AT THE PUBLIC HEARING/REFERENDUM

Council Member Champagne, seconded by Council Member McCoy, moved TO PRESENT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$71,936,620** TO THE ELECTORS AND QUALIFIED TAXPAYERS AT THE PUBLIC HEARING/ANNUAL TOWN MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE SENIOR CENTER, 26 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AND A REFERENDUM VOTE ON THE ANNUAL BUDGET IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2006; THE TOWN CLERK IS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO PUBLISH A SUMMARY OF SAID PROPOSED BUDGET AND ENTERPRISE ACTIVITY ESTIMATES SHOWING ANTICIPATED REVENUES BY MAJOR SOURCES AND PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS BY FUNCTIONS AND/OR DEPARTMENTS AND THE AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION, AT LEAST FIVE DAYS BEFORE PUBLIC HEARING.

The motion was carried 9 to 1 on a voice vote with Council Members Anderson, Campbell, Champagne, Fox, Herbst, McCoy, Oliver, Simon and Vale voting yes and Council Member Motola voting no.

APPROVAL OF TOWN OF VERNON BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007-REFERENDUM

Council Member Champagne, seconded by Council Member Oliver, moved TO PRESENT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$71,936,620** TO THE ELECTORS AND QUALIFIED TAXPAYERS TO VOTE ON PAPER BALLOTS OR BY BALLOT LABELS UTILIZING A "YES" OR "NO" ON THE VOTING MACHINES AT A BUDGET REFERENDUM SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2006 AT CENTER 375, 375 HARTFORD TURNPIKE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6:00 A.M. AND 8:00 P.M. AND TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE TOWN CLERK TO PUBLISH A WARNING OF SAID REFERENDUM AT LEAST FIVE DAYS BEFORE THE REFERENDUM AND TO PHRASE SUCH ITEM IN A FORM SUITABLE FOR PRINTING ON SUCH PAPER BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 7-7 AND OTHER LAWS: **"SHALL THE TOWN OF VERNON ADOPT A BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,936,620 FOR A PERIOD COMMENCING JULY 1,2006 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2007?"**

The motion was carried unanimously 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

ADJOURN:

Council Member Vale, seconded by Council member Simon, moved TO ADJOURN.

The motion was carried unanimously 10 to 0 on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned 1:32 a.m.

Received: April 13, 2006
Approved: Vernon Town Council
April 18, 2006

Karin Z. Pike
Asst Town Clerk/Recording Secretary

Appendix A

Appendix A (continued)