

**AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SENIOR CENTER 2ND FLOOR, CONFERENCE ROOM
26 PARK PLACE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2006
7:30 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

PRESENTATIONS:

The Town of Vernon will present a two Certificates of Recognition for Increasing Participation Summer Food Service Program-2005. The following people will be present to accept the Certificate: Mike Cunningham, Manager of Food and Nutrition at Rockville General Hospital, April Gothberg, Senior Director of Hospital Services and Site Manager at Rockville General Hospital, Alan Slobodien, Director of Youth Services, and Bruce Watt from the Parks and Recreation Department.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2006, AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

New Business Items:

- C** **1.** Request for Tax Refunds – Current Fiscal Year
- C** **2.** Request for Tax Refunds – Prior Fiscal Year
- C** **3.** Request the Town Council to approve the appointment of David H. Herrmann as an alternate member of the Board of Ethics.
- C** **4.** Request the Town Council to approve the reappointment of Rudolf Rossmly as a member of the Traffic Authority.
- C** **5.** Request the Town Council to approve the reappointment of E. Mason Thrall as a member of the Traffic Authority.
- C** **6.** Request the Town Council to approve appointment of Diane Wheelock as a member of the Board of Assessment Appeals.
- C** **7.** Request the Town Council to adopt a motion authorizing additional monies for Police Station Central Dispatch System.

NEW BUSINESS (CONSENT ITEMS):

- 1.** **Request for Tax Refunds – Current Year.** (Memorandum from Carol S. Nelson, Collector of Revenue, dated February 1, 2006 to Laurence Shaffer; Town Administrator, is in the packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

**THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL
AUTHORIZES THE COLLECTOR OF
REVENUE TO APPROVE FOURTEEN (14)
TAX REFUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$8,645.21 AS OUTLINED IN
MEMORANDUM FROM THE COLLECTOR
OF REVENUE DATED FEBRUARY 1, 2006
TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR.**

- 2.** **Request for Tax Refunds – Prior Year.** (Memorandum from Carol S. Nelson, Collector of Revenue, dated February 1, 2006 to Laurence Shaffer; Town Administrator, is in the packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO APPROVE THREE (3) TAX REFUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,677.00 AS OUTLINED IN MEMORANDUM FROM THE COLLECTOR OF REVENUE DATED FEBRUARY 1, 2006 TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR.

- 3. Request the Town Council to approve the Mayor's appointment of David H. Herrmann, (D) 521 Bolton Road, as an alternate member of the Board of Ethics, said term to expire on November 30, 2009.** (Appointment letter and resume is in the packet).

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF DAVID H. HERRMANN (D), TO SERVE AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ETHICS, SAID COMMISSION TO EXPIRE ON NOVEMBER 30, 2009.

- 4. Request the Town Council to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Rudolf Rossmly, Police Chief, as a member of the Traffic Authority, said term to expire on February 20, 2009.** (Appointment letter is in the packet).

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF RUDOLF ROSSMY TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE TRAFFIC AUTHORITY, SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 20, 2009.

- 5. Request the Town Council to approve the Mayor's reappointment of E. Mason Thrall, (U) 172 Irene Drive, as a member of the Traffic Authority, said term to expire on February 20, 2009.** (Appointment letter and resume is in the packet).

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF E. MASON THRALL (U) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE TRAFFIC AUTHORITY, SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 20, 2009.

- 6. Request the Town Council to approve the Mayor's appointment of Diane Wheelock, (R) 132 Tallwood Drive, as a member of the Board of Assessment Appeals to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Joseph M. Tringali, said term to expire on June 30, 2008.** (Memo from Laurence Shaffer, Town Administrator, draft minutes from the Personnel Subcommittee, copy of legal opinion from Joseph Courtney, Town Attorney, and resume is in the packet).

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, CHAPTER IX, SECTION 3, HEREBY APPOINTS DIANE WHEELOCK (R) OF 132 TALLWOOD DRIVE, TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS, TO FILL A VACANCY DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF JOSEPH M. TRINGALI, SAID TERM TO BEGIN ON FEBRUARY 8, 2006 AND EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2008.

- 7. Request the Town Council authorize an additional \$467.27 to the police station central dispatch system project.** (Memorandum from James Luddecke, Finance Officer, is in the packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES AN ADDITIONAL \$467.27 TO THE POLICE STATION CENTRAL DISPATCH SYSTEM PROJECT, FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$466,149.27. AS RECOMMENDED BY THE POLICE CHIEF, THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE TO COME FROM THE STATE ASSET FORFEITURE ACCOUNT.

OLD BUSINESS:

IDENTIFICATION AND ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Request for Town Council to approve the budget amendments for fiscal year 2005-2006 as outlined in the Budget Amendment #7-10 or additional amendments as provided by the Finance Officer at the meeting.** (Copies of amendments are in the packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE AMENDMENT REQUEST(S) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 AS OUTLINED IN BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS #7-10 AND/OR ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT FORMS AS PROVIDED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER AT THE MEETING.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. CONSISTENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY

VOTES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND INVITES STEPHEN CULLINAN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, ATTORNEY DON STRICKLAND, AND CATHERINE REBAI, CHAIR, BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO ATTEND.

- 2. CONSISTENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY VOTES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND INVITES ANN LETENDRE, KARL HASEL, GINNY GENGRAS, GEORGE ARTHUR, MARY POLO, AND AMY PATERSON FROM THE OPEN SPACE TASK FORCE, SHERYL MCMULLEN AND TOM OUELETTE FROM THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, AND JEANINE GELINEAU TO ATTEND.**
- 3. CONSISTENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY VOTES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND INVITES POLICE CHIEF RUDOLF ROSSMY AND OFFICER CHARLES HICKING TO ATTEND.**
- 4. CONSISTENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY VOTES TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. Minutes from the Board of Education meeting of January 9, 2006, minutes from the Permanent Municipal Building Committee meeting of January 11, 2006, and minutes from the Vernon Traffic Authority meeting of November 10, 2005.
2. Monthly reports from Penny Rand, Senior Center Director for December 2005, Bernice Dixon, Town Clerk for December 2005, and Alan Slobodien, Director of Youth Services for December 2005.
3. Letter of resignation from J. Mark Silhavy from the Economic Development Commission.

4. Letter from the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the reappointment of Terri Goldich.
5. *Certificate of Appreciation* to the Town of Vernon in recognition of generous support from the Central Conservation District.
6. Inspection reports from the Permanent Municipal Building Committee.