

April 28, 2009

**MINUTES
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
Rockville High School
70 Loveland Hill Road, Vernon, CT
TUESDAY, April 28, 2009, 7:00 P.M.**

A) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Present: Daniel Anderson, Bill Campbell, Daniel Champagne, Mark Etre, Bill Fox, Marie Herbst, Nancy E Herold, Harry D. Thomas, Michael A. Winkler

Absent: Sean O'Shea, Pauline Schaefer

Entered During Meeting: Brian R. Motola (7:55 PM)

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

Recess (7:07 PM)

Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Campbell made the following motion:

PROPOSED MOTION:

MOVE TO RECESS THIS SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF THE TOWN OF VERNON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING.

Motion carried unanimously.

Reconvene Town Council Meeting (9:16 PM)

Mayor McCoy called the special Town Council meeting back to order. Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Anderson made a motion to reconvene the Special Town Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council Member Motola, seconded by Council Member Thomas made the following motion:

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY MOVES TO PRESENT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,089,866 TO THE ELECTORS AND QUALIFIED TAXPAYERS TO VOTE ON BALLOTS AT THE BUDGET REFERENDUM TO BE SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2009, AT CENTER 375, 375 HARTFORD TURNPIKE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6:00 AM AND 8:00 PM, 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. THE DESIGNATION ON THE BALLOT LABEL FOR A "YES" OR "NO" VOTE SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF VERNON ADOPT A BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,089,866 FOR A PERIOD COMMENCING JULY 1, 2009 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2010?"

Discussion took place. Council Member Etre requested the actual cost of a referendum be shared with Council members at the next Town Council meeting. Council Member McCoy commented that the only reason we are having a referendum is because they received the petition within the 24 hours of this meeting. This is a forum where Town Council Members can hear comments from residents. He informed Council Members comment sheets will be available at the voting place. Motion carried, Council Members Winkler and Fox opposed.

ADJOURNMENT (9:30 PM)

Council Member Thomas, seconded by Council Member Motola made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

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Approved: June 16, 2009

Respectfully Submitted,
Jill Kentfield
Recording Secretary

James Krupienski, Asst.