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AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3rd Floor
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2009
7:30 P.M.

A.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

CITIZEN'S FORUM

RECEIVED
VERNON TOWN CLERK
09 MAY 29 PM 12:31

B.) PUBLIC HEARING (7:35 PM)

PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AN AGREEMENT ENTITLED "AGREEMENT REGARDING DESIGNATION OF FIRE MARSHALS."

- MAYOR MCCOY CALLS THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.
- CLERK READS THE LEGAL NOTICE.
- MAYOR AND COUNCIL RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT.
- ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING.
- RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING.

C.) PRESENTATION

D.) CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- C 1. Request for Tax Refunds for Prior Years and Current Year.** (A copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Assistant Collector of Revenue to John D. Ward, Town Administrator dated May 22, 2009 is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES ONE (1) TAX REFUND TOTALLING \$704.93 FOR PRIOR YEAR, AND THREE (3) TAX REFUNDS TOTALLING \$160.30 FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM THE ASSISTANT COLLECTOR OF REVENUE, TERRY HJARNE, TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR JOHN D. WARD DATED MAY 22, 2009.

- C 2. Request the Town Council approve the placement of 806 properties totaling \$114,716.43 on the Suspense Tax Ledger.** (A copy of a memorandum from Terry Hjarne, Acting Collector of Revenue dated May 22, 2009 to John Ward, Town Administrator, and a copy of the properties reflected on the Suspense Tax Ledger are included for Council review.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

BY THE AUTHORITY GRANTED IN CONNECTICUT STATE STATUTE SEC. 12-165, ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL SUSPENSE TAX BOOK", THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE PLACEMENT OF THE 806 PROPERTIES TOTALLING \$114,716.43 CONTAINED ON THE SUSPENSE TAX LEDGER REPORT AS PROVIDED BY TERRY HJARNE, ACTING COLLECTOR OF REVENUE, DATED MAY 22, 2009.

- C 3. Request the Town Council approve budget amendments #33 - #45 for fiscal year 2008-2009, as provided by James Luddecke, Finance Officer.**

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS #33 - #45 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009, AS OUTLINED IN THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS PROVIDED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER.

- C 4. Request the Town Council approve the submission of a COPS Technology Grant in the amount of \$60,000.00 by the Vernon Police Department, to be used to purchase in-car video equipment for twelve patrol cars.** (A memorandum dated May 28, 2009 from John Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Vernon Town Council, and information on the equipment is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR THE COPS TECHNOLOGY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO RECEIVE THE GRANT.

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve the Mayor's appointment of C. (Christopher) Ryan Goad (U), 57 Glenstone Drive, Vernon, Connecticut 06066, as an alternate member of the Conservation Commission. Said appointment is effective 06-03-2009 and expires on 12-31-2010.** (A copy of Mr. Goad's resume is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO TOWN OF VERNON ORDINANCE 189 - TOWN CODE SEC. 10-91 & 10-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF C. (CHRISTOPHER) RYAN GOAD (U), 57 GLENSTONE DRIVE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT , AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING 06-03-2009 AND EXPIRING 12-31-2010.

- C 6. Request the Town Council approve the Mayor's appointment of Judith Hany (U), 21 Court Street #2M, Vernon, Connecticut 06066, as an alternate member of the Conservation Commission. Said appointment is effective 06-03-2009 and expires on 12-31-2012.** A copy of Ms. Hany's resume is included in the Council packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO TOWN OF VERNON ORDINANCE 189 - TOWN CODE SEC. 10-91 & 10-92, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JUDITH HANY (U), 21 COURT STREET #2M, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING 06-03-2009 AND EXPIRING 12-31-2012.

F.) PENDING BUSINESS

1. **Discussion requested by Council Member Marie Herbst regarding a review of the lobbyist for budget year 2008-2009 and a legal opinion regarding wage reductions taken during the recently completed budget meetings.** (A copy of Council Member Herbst memorandum dated April 29, 2009 is included for your review). NOTE: This item was postponed at the previous Town Council Meeting.

G.) NEW BUSINESS

H.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

I.) ACTION ON ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

1. **Request the Town Council authorize Mayor Jason L. McCoy to enter into and execute the necessary documentation required for the Agreement between the Town of Vernon and the Town of South Windsor entitled "Agreement Regarding Designation of Fire Marshals."** (A copy of the Agreement is included for Council review)

PROPOSED MOTION:

BY THE AUTHORITY GRANTED IN CHAPTER V SECTION 5 OF THE TOWN CHARTER, THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE "AGREEMENT REGARDING DESIGNATION OF FIRE MARSHALS."

J.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

K.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 19, 2009 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

L.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN CONNECTICUT GEN. STATUTES SEC. 1-200(6) (D) HEREBY MOVES TO GO TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION INVOLVING FORECLOSURE ON (45/49 SUNSET TERRACE) PARCEL ID 03-0004-0022A, AND INVITES JOHN D. WARD TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO ATTEND.

M.) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Department of Social Services Spring 2009 report, submitted by Paula Claydon, Director.
2. Building Department Monthly Activity Report dated May 14, 2009, submitted by B. Peter Hobbs, Building Official.
3. Three news articles highlighting Vernon's Economic Development activities, submitted by Marina Rodriguez, Assistant Planner.
4. Senior Center Monthly Reports – March and April, 2009, submitted by Penny Rand, Director of the Vernon Senior Center.
5. Ambulance Monthly Report for April, 2009, submitted by Jean Gauthier, EMS Coordinator.