

VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
VIRTUAL SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021 7:00PM

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CONFERENCE CALL: 1-929-205-6099

MEETING ID: 896 5905 5568 PASSWORD: 0322

Mayor Daniel A. Champagne called the virtual meeting to order at 7:00PM.

A.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited

B.) ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Laura Bush, Bill Campbell, Julie Clay, Thomas DiDio, Linda Gessay, Ann Letendre, Maryann Levesque, Brian Motola, Jim Tedford, Steve Wakefield, Michael Wendus

Absent:

Entered During Meeting: Pauline Schaefer (7:07PM)

Also Present: Town Administrator Michael J. Purcaro, Finance Officer and Treasurer Jeffrey O'Neill, Recording Secretary Kathleen Minor

C.) CITIZENS FORUM

7:02PM Citizens forum closed with no comment.

D.) PRESENTATION

Finance Officer and Treasurer Jeffrey O'Neill made brief comment to Town Council regarding three informational supporting documents sent today with no changes to numbers as presented.

E.) BUDGET REVIEW

Probate – Tab 4, Page 122, Code 10111112, \$13,498

Honorable Elisa H Bartlett, Judge of the Court of Probate, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Town Council – Page 4, Page 118, Code 10110110, \$6,850

Karen Daigle, Town Clerk, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Town Clerk – Tab 4, Page 184, Code 10115150, \$283,813

Karen Daigle, Town Clerk, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Registration – Tab 4, Page 138, Code 10113130, \$80,281

John Anderson, Registrar of Voters (R) presented budget summary. No discussion.

Elections General – Tab 4, Page 142, Code 10113131, \$38,550

John Anderson, Registrar of Voters (R) presented budget summary. No discussion.

Elections Primary – Tab 4, Page 146, Code 10113132, \$1

Christopher Prue, Registrar of Voters (D) presented budget summary. No discussion.

Elections Referendum – Tab 4, Page 150, Code 10113133, \$1

Christopher Prue, Registrar of Voters (D) presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Police – Tab 5, Page 218, Code 10230180, \$6,545,379

James Kenny, Chief of Police, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

School Crossing Guards – Tab 5, Page 232, Code 10230181, \$66,053

James Kenny, Chief of Police, presented budget summary. No discussion.

Traffic Authority – Tab 5, Page 236, Code 10230182, \$165,350

James Kenny, Chief of Police, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Animal Control – Tab 5, Page 260, Code 10233188, \$140,662

James Kenny, Chief of Police, presented budget summary. No discussion.

Dog License - Tab 11, Page 491, Code 22233410, \$29,417

James Kenny, Chief of Police, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Fire Marshal – Tab 5, Page 250, Code 10232185, \$186,303

Daniel Wasilewski, Fire Marshal, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Building Inspection – Tab 5, Page 254, Code 10232187, \$382,933

Steven Prattson, Building Official, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Public Safety – Fire Hydrants – Tab 5, Page 270, Code 10231190, \$840,021

Stephen Eppler, Fire Chief, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Fire Fighting Administration – Tab 5, Page 240, Code 10231183, \$635,736

Stephen Eppler, Fire Chief, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Ambulance Division – Tab 11, Page 497, Code 22231417, \$1,608,951

Stephen Eppler, Fire Chief, presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Emergency Management – Tab 5, Page 264, Code 10232189, \$57,139

Michael Purcaro, Town Administrator and Emergency Management Coordinator presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Executive Administration – Tab 4, Page 126, Code 10112120, \$875,500

Diane Wheelock, Executive Assistant, Cassandra Santoro, Administrative Assistant and Dawn Maselek, Assistant Town Administrator presented budget summary and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

Law – Tab 4, Page 134, Code 10112121, \$152,000

Diane Wheelock, Executive Assistant presented budget summary. No discussion.

F.) MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS REQUIRING ACTION

None

G.) RECESS REMAINING ACCOUNTS TO MARCH 25, 2020 2021 (9:43PM)

Council Member Wakefield, seconded by Council Member Levesque made a motion to recess to the next scheduled meeting on March 25, 2021 at 7:00PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Received:

Approved:

Respectfully Submitted.



Kathleen Minor
Recording Secretary