

Montpelier Homelessness Committee

June 18, 2026 , 2:00 pm, Zoom Only

Present:

Zachary Hughes, chair; Dawn Little; Ali McGuirk; Marty Roberts - members

Jim Sheridan, City Council

Matt Jelacic, Staff

The meeting was called to order at 2:09 pm.

There was no public comment.

The minutes for the June 4 meeting were reviewed.

Motion to approve: Marty Second: Dawn

All in favor - 4/0

There was discussion about changing the time of the meeting to accommodate members who cannot now attend. Zack will send around a Doodle poll to try to find a date that works.

Jim gave updates about the Transit Center. There is window of three weeks for the Transit Center to negotiate a deal to remain there.

We need to refine recommendations for the City Council

Dawn recommended tolerance for small violations of City policy.

Ali referenced H. 938, regarding ADA accommodations.

Dawn recommended that when people are asked to move, it not be on weekends, because it is difficult to find people and vehicles to help with the moving then.

She also asked where are people who are forced to leave a site go?

We want to know what the laws are about public space. If members of the public in general are allowed to be in a public space, we do not feel that unhoused people should be barred from that space.

We would like to look at the city vagrancy laws.

* Downtown businesses need numbers to call if they have problems or need information. Would someone put a flyer with this information together?

Picnic table discussion:

Where do we want the tables? Dawn will check with unhoused folks on Thursday.

The City has offered a field trip to look at possible sites. Zack will set this up.

We can only move forward if we get feedback. Dawn and Zack will get this by next week.

Motion to adjourn: Marty. Second: Ali