



Kassia Randzio, Chair
Carolyn Grodinsky
Dan Dickerson
Shelby Perry

Geoff Beyer, Parks Director
Alec Ellsworth, Parks Caretaker

Parks Commission
Tuesday January 21, 2020 / 6PM
Meeting Location: Montpelier Police Station Conference Room

Meeting Agenda

- 6:00 January 21 agenda and January 7 minutes
- 6:05 Public Comment
- 6:10 Parks Commissioner vacancies - meet candidates
- 7:00 Staff update
- 7:15 Greenprint map layers - data we have, data we want, begin to prioritize (Shelby, Alec)
- 8:00 Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings:

- **February 4:** Parks' Greenprint Discussion, 6-8pm, Police Station
- **February 18:** Monthly Parks Commission Meeting, 6-8pm, Police Station

Unfinished Business

- Hubbard Park vegetation management
- Hubbard road mitigation
- Pump track progress, more complete site plan
- ADA improvements to Hubbard Park
- Budget
- Spring Hollow easement opportunity
- Kids mountain bike trail location - specifics

Policies in Progress

- Memorial policy
- MOU for groups doing work in city parks (standards/policies)

Staff Update 01/15/20

Volunteer Groups:

- True North 1/7: Helped with Snow Farming and Ice on Fire Setup

2020 Volunteer Hours to Date: 34

City Council Report

- Parks & Trees Budget has not garnered any attention good or bad. Right now CC is looking at a roughly 4.3% increase going into the public hearing stage of the budget.
- CC approved \$20,000 in city funding to bring Confluence Park from 20% design to 85% design.

Winter Trails:

We've had a lot of great feedback on our grooming efforts so far this winter. In addition to Hubbard and North Branch Parks, we've been able to groom the West side of Morse Farm trails with 2 dedicated volunteers (Geoff & Dan Voisin) along with staff when available. Next week Onion River Nordic is convening a meeting (I'll be attending) to talk about how best to use their fundraising and volunteer efforts.

Maps & Signage:

We installed a lot of signs around Hubbard & North Branch Park to make the Fat Biking loop through Hubbard Park possible. This was a big lift for staff time but the signs should last a few years.

Winter Trails Map and our Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Map are still in progress.

Greenprint & Economic Development:

Lisa Maxwell, the new director of the Montpelier Economic Development Corporation had to move back to Florida after only a few weeks on the job because of a family issue. This is a major setback for our Greenprint efforts, but she was able to pass off the work that she had started to me. She had made contact with a few landowners and I've since picked up those threads.

Kassia has connected with Kris Hammer to start re-booting the Capital Area Land Trust.

We are applying for another VOREC Grant (Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic Collaboration). We're asking for about \$30,000 for:

- A better version of our Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Map
- Kiosks to help spread the word about this map
- Appraisals and Surveys
- CVRPC (Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission) to convene several meetings of regional outdoor recreation stakeholders.
- Explore the creation of a regional outdoor recreation hub.

Conservation Commission:

The Conservation Commission is going through a similar mapping process to identify key conservation areas within the city. At some point we'll need a conference committee from the two commissions to see where collaboration is possible. Their next meeting is Wednesday 1/16.

Other News:

- Cara Barbero has officially joined the department as a 4 day-a-week year round employee. We're really excited to have her on board.
- We're having an all staff retreat on Thursday 1/16 to talk about how roles are changing.
- All Parks staff attended the 3rd installment of a city sponsored leadership training on 1/15
- Ice on Fire preparations are under way, we have a lot of volunteer groups lined up over the next few weeks to prepare for that event.
- We were able to send Adam to a Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (TRAQ) training, which is the best training you can get to assess tree risk. This will be a big help to our department for prioritizing tree work.
- Friends of the Winooski applied for a \$50,000 grant to complete the road work that needs to be done in Hubbard Park to address erosion.

Unfinished Business/Ongoing Projects

- Winter Trails Map
- Montpelier Trail Network (MTN) map.
- Memorial Policy
- Dog sign on tower (finished but waiting for warmer weather to install)
- MOU for groups doing work in city parks
- ADA Improvement plan/funding
- Kids Mtn Bike Trail design
- Pump Track site plan



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REVENUES				
18.22 PERMITS AND LICENSE REV				
18.2280.00.00.4 PARKS MISC GRANT REVENUE	\$6,000.00	\$1,000.00	(\$5,000.00)	16.67 %
TOTAL PERMITS AND LICENSE REV	\$6,000.00	\$1,000.00	(\$5,000.00)	16.67%
18.23 REVENUE				
18.2300.00.00.4 PARKS TOWER GRANT REVENUE	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	0.00 %
TOTAL REVENUE	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	0.00%
18.261 EQUIPMENT/LAND REVENUE				
18.2614.00.00.4 PARKS SALE OF EQUIPMENT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
TOTAL EQUIPMENT/LAND REVENUE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
18.264 OTHER REVENUE				
18.2642.00.00.5 PARKS ASH BORER GRANT EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.2648.00.00.4 PARKS VISTA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.2649.00.00.4 PARKS MISC CONTRIBS	\$0.00	\$268.12	\$268.12	0.00 %
18.2649.00.01.4 PARKS PET WASTE CONTRIBS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	\$0.00	\$268.12	\$268.12	0.00%
18.268 OTHER REVENUE				
18.2680.00.00.4 PARK ENCHANTED FOREST RECEIPTS	\$2,000.00	\$5,087.00	\$3,087.00	254.35 %
18.2682.00.00.4 PARKS T-SHIRT SALES	\$0.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	0.00 %
18.2685.00.00.4 PARKS SHELTER RESERVATION	\$1,000.00	\$665.00	(\$335.00)	66.50 %
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	\$3,000.00	\$5,797.00	\$2,797.00	193.23%
18.28 MISC REVENUE				
18.2804.00.00.4 FUNDRAISING & PARKAPALOOZA	\$6,665.00	\$2,227.25	(\$4,437.75)	33.42 %
TOTAL MISC REVENUE	\$6,665.00	\$2,227.25	(\$4,437.75)	33.42%
18.29 OPERATING TRANSFERS				
18.2900.00.00.4 PARKS INTEREST REV	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.2907.00.00.4 PARKS W/C REIMB	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.2910.00.00.4 PARKS XFER GF OPERATIONS	\$201,740.84	\$201,740.84	\$0.00	100.00 %
18.2910.01.00.4 PARKS XFER GF PARK IMPACT FEES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.2915.00.00.4 PARKS XFER FROM GF PET WASTE FEES	\$2,160.00	\$0.00	(\$2,160.00)	0.00 %



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18.2983.00.00.4 PARKS RANGER HOUSE RENTAL	\$7,800.00	\$3,900.00	(\$3,900.00)	50.00 %
18.2984.00.00.4 PARKS XFER FROM OTHER FUNDS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.2985.00.00.4 PARKS XFER GF EQUIPMENT	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$0.00	100.00 %
18.2986.00.00.4 PARKS XFER MONTPR FOUNDTN	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.2987.00.00.4 PARKS XFER GF CIP	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	100.00 %
18.2990.00.00.4 PARKS MISC. REVENUE	\$0.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	0.00 %
18.2992.00.00.4 PARKS MISC REIMB	\$0.00	\$546.62	\$546.62	0.00 %
TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS	\$252,700.84	\$247,193.46	(\$5,507.38)	97.82%
TOTAL PARKS FUND REVENUES	\$268,365.84	\$256,595.83	(\$11,770.01)	95.61%



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EXPENDITURES				
18.76 PARKS GRANT EXP				
18.7612.00.00.5 PARKS GRANT EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$2,633.65	(\$2,633.65)	0.00 %
18.7615.00.00.5 PARKS STATE HOUSE TRAIL	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$900.00	0.00 %
18.7621.00.00.5 PARKS GRANT EXP-COMMUNITY GARDEN	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
TOTAL PARKS GRANT EXP	\$900.00	\$2,633.65	(\$1,733.65)	292.63%
18.7600 PARKS OPERATIONS				
18.7600.10.00.5 PARKS SALARIES & WAGES	\$119,230.40	\$82,540.28	\$36,690.12	69.23 %
18.7600.10.01.5 PARKS AMERICORP & SUMMER WAGES	\$16,000.00	\$12,728.25	\$3,271.75	79.55 %
18.7600.11.00.5 PARKS OVERTIME	\$0.00	\$514.89	(\$514.89)	0.00 %
18.7600.15.01.5 PARKS DENTAL INSURANCE	\$770.00	\$613.61	\$156.39	79.69 %
18.7600.15.02.5 PARKS FICA/MEDICARE	\$8,325.53	\$6,936.17	\$1,389.36	83.31 %
18.7600.15.03.5 PARKS HEALTH INSURANCE	\$26,088.00	\$10,742.13	\$15,345.87	41.18 %
18.7600.15.04.5 PARKS FLEX SPENDING ACCOUNT	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	0.00 %
18.7600.15.05.5 PARKS LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE	\$105.00	\$44.52	\$60.48	42.40 %
18.7600.15.07.5 PARKS CITY RETIREMENT	\$6,929.23	\$6,211.51	\$717.72	89.64 %
18.7600.15.08.5 PARKS LIFE, STD, LTD INSURANCE	\$2,230.00	\$859.49	\$1,370.51	38.54 %
18.7600.15.09.5 PARKS UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	\$57.68	\$35.46	\$22.22	61.48 %
18.7600.15.10.5 PARKS WORKERS' COMPENSATION	\$6,250.00	\$2,856.26	\$3,393.74	45.70 %
18.7600.20.00.5 PARKS OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$200.00	\$346.78	(\$146.78)	173.39 %
18.7600.20.01.5 PARKS POSTAGE	\$70.00	\$1.07	\$68.93	1.53 %
18.7600.21.00.5 PARKS OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$2,000.00	\$2,022.10	(\$22.10)	101.11 %
18.7600.23.00.5 PARKS SMALL TOOLS & EQUIP	\$3,000.00	\$1,055.70	\$1,944.30	35.19 %
18.7600.30.00.5 PARKS ADVERTISING	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	0.00 %
18.7600.34.00.5 PARKS TELEPHONE BASIC SERVICE	\$130.00	\$143.62	(\$13.62)	110.48 %
18.7600.34.01.5 PARKS TELEPHONE LONG DISTANCE	\$100.00	\$9.23	\$90.77	9.23 %
18.7600.34.02.5 PARKS INTERNET WAN SERVICE	\$500.00	\$602.16	(\$102.16)	120.43 %
18.7600.34.03.5 PARKS CELL PHONE & PAGER	\$1,200.00	\$448.75	\$751.25	37.40 %
18.7600.40.00.5 PARKS DUES/SUBSCRIPTS/MTGS	\$1,500.00	\$530.00	\$970.00	35.33 %
18.7600.48.00.5 PARKS PROPERTY & LIABILITY INS	\$4,200.00	\$2,099.84	\$2,100.16	50.00 %
18.7600.48.01.5 PARKS PC - DEDUCTIBLE EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.7600.56.00.5 PARKS OTR PUR SRVC	\$2,000.00	\$1,077.31	\$922.69	53.87 %

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18.7600.62.00.5 PARKS PRINTING & BINDING	\$200.00	\$13.83	\$186.17	6.92 %
18.7600.67.00.5 PARKS ROADS/REPAIR/MAINT	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	0.00 %
18.7600.68.00.5 PARKS VEHSEQUIP REPAIR/MAINT	\$6,000.00	\$3,918.60	\$2,081.40	65.31 %
18.7600.69.00.5 PARKS BLDG/GRNDS REPAIR/MAINT	\$5,000.00	\$2,951.49	\$2,048.51	59.03 %
18.7600.69.01.5 PARKS NON RE-OCCURRING MAINT	\$4,000.00	\$657.75	\$3,342.25	16.44 %
18.7600.69.02.5 PARKS TOWER REPAIRS/MAINT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.7600.70.00.5 PARKS COPIER	\$295.00	\$131.58	\$163.42	44.60 %
18.7600.74.00.5 PARKS TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION	\$300.00	\$50.46	\$249.54	16.82 %
18.7600.76.01.5 PARKS ELECTRIC	\$885.00	\$160.55	\$724.45	18.14 %
18.7600.76.02.5 PARKS HEAT	\$0.00	\$199.90	(\$199.90)	0.00 %
18.7600.76.03.5 PARKS TRASH REMOVAL	\$200.00	\$56.48	\$143.52	28.24 %
18.7600.76.04.5 PARKS IN HOUSE UTILITIES/WATER	\$400.00	\$330.00	\$70.00	82.50 %
18.7600.79.00.5 PARKS MISC	\$250.00	\$167.30	\$82.70	66.92 %
18.7600.79.01.5 PARKS PET WASTE EXP	\$2,160.00	\$0.00	\$2,160.00	0.00 %
18.7600.79.02.5 PARKS EVENT EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$8,473.06	(\$8,473.06)	0.00 %
18.7600.79.03.5 PARKAPALOOZA EVENT EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.7600.79.04.5 ENCHANTED FOREST EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.7600.82.00.5 PARKS CIP PLAN PARKS	\$20,000.00	\$10,145.24	\$9,854.76	50.73 %
18.7600.83.00.5 PARKS EQUIPMENT PLAN PARKS	\$21,000.00	\$25,898.80	(\$4,898.80)	123.33 %
18.7600.83.01.5 PARKS TOWER RESTORATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
18.7600.94.01.5 PARKS PENSON PRINCIPAL	\$580.00	\$577.30	\$2.70	99.53 %
18.7600.95.01.5 PARKS PENSION INTEREST EXP	\$2,210.00	\$1,117.58	\$1,092.42	50.57 %
18.7600.99.01.5 PARKS XFER TO GF-TREE WARDEN ASST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
TOTAL PARKS OPERATIONS	\$266,965.84	\$187,269.05	\$79,696.79	70.15%
18.764 PARKS MISC EXP				
18.7643.00.00.5 PARKS PEACE PARK	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00 %
18.7644.00.00.5 PARKS IMPACT EXP	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
TOTAL PARKS MISC EXP	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
TOTAL PARKS FUND EXPENDITURES	\$268,365.84	\$189,902.70	\$78,463.14	70.76%
PARKS FUND NET EXCESS / (DEFICIT)	\$0.00	\$66,693.13		



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10.8130 TREE MANAGEMENT				
10.8130.10.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT SALARIES & WAGES-WARDEN	\$57,840.64	\$19,180.56	\$38,660.08	33.16 %
10.8130.11.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT OVERTIME	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
10.8130.15.01.5 TREE MANAGEMENT DENTAL INSURANCE	\$176.00	\$142.79	\$33.21	81.13 %
10.8130.15.02.5 TREE MANAGEMENT FICA/MEDICARE	\$6,353.23	\$1,392.80	\$4,960.43	21.92 %
10.8130.15.03.5 TREE MANAGEMENT HEALTH INSURANCE	\$28,647.00	\$2,493.75	\$26,153.25	8.71 %
10.8130.15.04.5 TREE MANAGEMENT FLEX SPENDING ACCOUNT	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	0.00 %
10.8130.15.05.5 TREE MANAGEMENT LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE	\$40.00	\$11.06	\$28.94	27.65 %
10.8130.15.07.5 TREE MANAGEMENT CITY RETIREMENT	\$4,338.05	\$1,438.54	\$2,899.51	33.16 %
10.8130.15.08.5 TREE MANAGEMENT LIFE, STD, LTD INSURANCE	\$310.00	\$194.38	\$115.62	62.70 %
10.8130.15.09.5 TREE MANAGEMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	\$44.01	\$7.84	\$36.17	17.81 %
10.8130.15.10.5 TREE MANAGEMENT WORKERS' COMPENSATION	\$805.00	\$401.38	\$403.62	49.86 %
10.8130.23.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT SMALL TOOLS	\$3,000.00	\$1,282.50	\$1,717.50	42.75 %
10.8130.30.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT ADVERTISING	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
10.8130.48.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT PROPERTY & LIABILITY INS	\$238.00	\$119.00	\$119.00	50.00 %
10.8130.56.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT OTR PUR SRVC	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	0.00 %
10.8130.70.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT COPIER	\$103.00	\$32.29	\$70.71	31.35 %
10.8130.82.00.5 TREE MANAGEMENT CIP EQUIPMENT	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	100.00 %
10.8130.94.01.5 PENSION PRINCIPAL-WARDEN	\$275.00	\$171.96	\$103.04	62.53 %
10.8130.95.01.5 PENSION INTEREST EXP-WARDEN	\$1,045.00	\$332.90	\$712.10	31.86 %
10.8130.99.00.5 ASH BORER RESERVE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
10.8130.99.01.5 TREE MANAGEMENT CIP	\$13,000.00	\$0.00	\$13,000.00	0.00 %
TOTAL TREE MANAGEMENT	\$127,339.93	\$35,201.75	\$92,138.18	27.64%
10.8135 TREE BOARD				
10.8135.21.00.5 TREE BOARD TREE NURSERY	\$4,000.00	\$954.38	\$3,045.62	23.86 %
10.8135.79.00.5 TREE BOARD MISC GRANT EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
TOTAL TREE BOARD	\$4,000.00	\$954.38	\$3,045.62	23.86%
10.8300 CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
10.8300.56.00.5 CONSERVATION OTR PUR SRVC	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
10.8300.79.00.5 CONSERVATION MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$3,500.00	\$449.05	\$3,050.95	12.83 %
10.8300.79.01.5 CONSERVATION COMMISSION GRANT EXP	\$0.00	\$239.39	(\$239.39)	0.00 %

From: noreply@civicplus.com
Sent: Thursday, December 26, 2019 1:02 PM
To: Jamie Carroll
Subject: Online Form Submittal: City of Montpelier Boards & Commissions Application

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APPLICATION FORM MONTPELIER CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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Name	Andrew Brewer
Email Address	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED]
City	Montpelier
State	VT
Zip Code	05602
Phone Number	[REDACTED]
Occupation	Lobbyist
Are you 18 years of age or older?	Yes
Are you a registered voter in the City of Montpelier?	Yes
Are you a resident of the City of Montpelier?	Yes
How long have you been a resident of the City of Montpelier?	8 years

Are you related to any elected City Councilor (including by marriage)?	No
Do you have any pending litigation against the City?	No
Name of City Board or Committee: (If applying for more than one board/committee, please list order of preference)	Parks Commission
Are you currently serving or have you served on any City board or committee? If so, please list and give approximate dates.	Parking Committee; 2013-2015. Montpelier Alive Board; 2012-2015. Montpelier Business Association; 1995-2018.

Please answer each question in as much detail as possible.

Education/Credentials:	U-32 High School, 1984. University of Vermont, BA political science, 1988.
Professional activities that relate to this board/committee:	Owner of Onion River Sports, 2000-2018.
Community activities that relate to this board/committee:	Years of support and fundraising for outdoor recreation, including trails-based organizations such as the Cross Vermont Trail, Catamount Trail and Bolton Back Country Access (1,100 acres preserved from development). Lifelong enjoyer of the outdoors - biking, skiing, running, hiking, bird-watching and enjoyment of quiet.
Why are you interested in serving on this board/committee?	I am interested in expanding Montpelier's trails systems and access to them, but I'm also very aware of the conservation balance necessary to protect our natural resources. In some cases, that balance may require limited activities or even no access, especially in sensitive areas. I do believe that where appropriate, all human-powered interests should be given consideration for access. I'm a believer in the correlation between people having access to the outdoors and the conservation of those same natural resources - The more people get out into the woods the more they want to protect nature.

What talents or experience would you bring to the board/committee?

As stewards of Montpelier's parks, the commission decisions can have generational impacts. There's a responsibility to make sure natural resources are maintained as well as enjoyed.

My strengths would be as a communicator and an advocate of the Parks Commissions goals. After serving on many community based boards and councils, I've learned the art of due process and public engagement (especially with Montpelier's engaged citizenry!)

Any other comments or information you wish to provide to the Mayor and City Councilors?

Just that I am eager to contribute!

Are you involved in any personal, professional or business pursuit that would affect your ability to make fair and impartial recommendations as a member of a City advisory board or committee?

No

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I have read and accept the terms of board/committee appointment.

By e-signing this application, I certify that there are no misrepresentations, omissions or falsifications on this application.

Andrew Brewer

12/26/2019

Submitted on:

Thank you for your interest in serving the City of Montpelier as a volunteer board or committee member. Your willingness to serve is greatly appreciated.

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Zip Code	05602
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Phone Number	[REDACTED]
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Occupation	Home health aid
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Are you 18 years of age or older?	Yes
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Are you a registered voter in the City of Montpelier?	Yes
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Are you a resident of the City of Montpelier?	Yes
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How long have you been a resident of the City of Montpelier?	Since 2019
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Are you related to any elected City Councilor (including by marriage)?	No
Do you have any pending litigation against the City?	No
Name of City Board or Committee: (If applying for more than one board/committee, please list order of preference)	Park commission
Are you currently serving or have you served on any City board or committee? If so, please list and give approximate dates.	No
<i>Please answer each question in as much detail as possible.</i>	
Education/Credentials:	High school International school for earth studies
Professional activities that relate to this board/committee:	Fire dept Studying wildlife
Community activities that relate to this board/committee:	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Why are you interested in serving on this board/committee?	To better serve the community I live in
What talents or experience would you bring to the board/committee?	I have a education background in earth studies and a leadership skill and customer service
Any other comments or information you wish to provide to the Mayor and City Councilors?	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Are you involved in any personal, professional or business pursuit that would affect your ability to make fair and impartial	No

recommendations as a
member of a City
advisory board or
committee?

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I have read and accept the terms of board/committee
appointment.

By e-signing this
application, I certify that
there are no
misrepresentations,
omissions or falsifications
on this application.

Alex Boguzewski

12/20/2019

Submitted on:

***Thank you for your interest in serving the City of Montpelier as a volunteer
board or committee member. Your willingness to serve is greatly appreciated.***

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APPLICATION FORM MONTPELIER CITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Please use this form to express your interest in serving on a particular board/committee or commission. For information on our boards and committees, please visit <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/committeevacancies>. The Montpelier City Council makes appointments to board/committees at their regular meetings as vacancies occur. Completed applications are public documents and are subject to the Vermont Public Records Act.

The Montpelier City Council is committed to seeking diversity on all boards, committees and commissions, including but not limited to geographic, racial, gender, cultural, age, socio economic diversity. Montpelier residency for applicants is preferred but not required.

Name	Stephanie Hunt
Email Address	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED]
City	Montpelier
State	Vermont
Zip Code	05602
Phone Number	[REDACTED]
Occupation	Environmental Scientist
Are you 18 years of age or older?	Yes
Are you a registered voter in the City of Montpelier?	Yes

Are you a resident of the City of Montpelier?	Yes
How long have you been a resident of the City of Montpelier?	seven years
Are you related to any elected City Councilor (including by marriage)?	No
Do you have any pending litigation against the City?	No
Name of City Board or Committee: (If applying for more than one board/committee, please list order of preference)	Parks Commission; Conservation Commission
Are you currently serving or have you served on any City board or committee? If so, please list and give approximate dates.	No

Please answer each question in as much detail as possible.

Education/Credentials:	-Bachelors of Science degree from Lehigh University in Earth and Environmental Science, graduated 2010 -Masters degree from Lehigh University in Earth and Environmental Science, graduated 2012 -Staff Scientist for The Johnson Company (environmental consulting firm) from October 2012-March 2019 -Project Scientist for VHB (engineering firm) from March 2019 - present. -Completed the Vermont Master Naturalist program offered through North Branch Nature Center in fall 2019
Professional activities that relate to this board/committee:	I am an environmental scientists with over seven years of experience as an environmental consultant. My main client during my career has been the National Park Service, for which I've assisted with the cleanup of contaminated sites located in national parks or on land under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service. As part of these cleanup efforts I have worked with various national parks on communicating environmental issues to the public, which has included attending public meetings and preparing fact sheets for the public, and

preparing documents for the public that discuss technical scientific issues in clear, understandable terms. I enjoy this work immensely, and would love the opportunity to also have an impact more locally here in Montpelier in our Parks. I am passionate about making sure nature is accessible for all, protecting our natural communities, and making sure residents are aware of the great natural resources present in their own backyards.

Community activities that relate to this board/committee:

I've recently completed my requirements to become a Vermont Master Naturalist (Winooski Headwaters Chapter) through North Branch Nature Center, and through that process have become very familiar with our local parks and incredible natural communities contained within. The requirements for the course included a community-based project; for my project I partnered with the Vermont River Conservancy to assist with their "Face the River" initiative, and helped prepare a document and maps that identify potential river access points within the city.

Why are you interested in serving on this board/committee?

I am an avid user of our Montpelier parks. Hubbard Park is essentially my backyard (I can walk to an entrance in five minutes from my house) and I visit Hubbard park on almost a daily basis for walks with my partner and dog. I want to ensure that our city parks are accessible for all those who desire to explore them, and to make sure that all voices (walkers, dog walkers, skiers, mountain bikers, etc.) are heard when deciding how our parks are managed. I have fond memories of escaping to my local park when I was a kid, and being entranced by the living creatures and interesting geological features my local park contained. I see an opportunity in our Montpelier parks to increase education about the natural communities (for example, more signage in the park to point out interesting natural communities and signage identifying plants or geological formations for budding naturalists). One example would be signage near the State House entrance to Hubbard Park that describes the importance of blow downs in the forest succession process, since the area behind the State House has many examples of large downed trees very close to the trail.

What talents or experience would you bring to the board/committee?

As an environmental scientist I have a unique viewpoint to share about how our parks should be managed. In my work as a consultant I often have to see an issue from many sides (for example how the public might perceive an issue versus how private industry might perceive an issue) and have as a result honed my skills at communicating sometimes contentious topics in many different forums, from private closed door meetings to public meetings to unexpected encounters with the public on job sites. In addition, I am a strong technical writer,

and have prepared many documents for the National Park Service for communicating issues to the public. On top of my technical skills, I have a passion for getting people out into nature and sharing the restorative powers of the natural world. I have twice embarked on month long road trips to explore our National Parks, during which I have met people from all walks of life and have seen the variety of ways in which some of our federal lands are managed (and sometimes not in ways I agree with). Responsibly managing or conserving our public lands is one of the most important ways we can make sure these lands are accessible and vibrant for everyone, including future generations, to enjoy.

Any other comments or information you wish to provide to the Mayor and City Councilors?

Field not completed.

Are you involved in any personal, professional or business pursuit that would affect your ability to make fair and impartial recommendations as a member of a City advisory board or committee?

No

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I have read and accept the terms of board/committee appointment.

By e-signing this application, I certify that there are no misrepresentations, omissions or falsifications on this application.

Stephanie Hunt

1/9/2020

Submitted on:

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