



**CITY OF  
MONTPELIER  
MONTPELIER,  
VERMONT**

Agenda for City  
Council Meeting  
Wednesday, January  
8, 2014  
06:30 P.M.

- 1) Call to Order by the Mayor
- 2) 14-001. General Business and Appearances
- 3) 14-002. Consideration of the Consent Agenda:
  - a) Approve Minutes from the November 20th, and December 11th, 2013 City Council Meetings.
  - b) Summary Budget Reports by Department for General Fund and Detailed Budget Status Reports for General Fund, Water Fund, Sewer Fund, Cemetery Fund, Parks Fund, Parking Fund and Senior Center for a 3-month period beginning July 1, 2013 and ending October 31, 2013.
  - c) Summary Budget Reports by Department for General Fund and Detailed Budget Status Reports for General Fund, Water Fund, Sewer Fund, Cemetery Fund, Parks Fund, Parking Fund and Senior Center for a 3-month period beginning July 1, 2013 and ending November 30, 2013.
  - d) Ratify poll vote taken of Council Members on December 20th when they approved the "Errors & Omission" adjustments to the 2013 Grand List (see attached memo from City Assessor Steve Twombly).
  - e) Approve the use of \$12,000 of Park Impact Fee funds for renovations to the Hubbard Park caretaker residence. This summer, the caretaker house underwent major improvements with many hours donated by volunteers. The \$18,000 cost of the renovations exceeded projections due to electrical

and plumbing issues. The current fund balance of the Park Impact reserve is \$20,363. The Parks Commission and the Parks Director are requesting that the City Council approve using \$12,000 of the Park Impact Fee reserve funds to help cover the cost of the improvements to the caretaker residence.

f) Payroll and Bills

4) 14-003. Presentation from the Montpelier Community Fund Board of Directors.

a) This board was appointed by the Council on August 22, 2012 and charged with "making recommendations to the City Council for approval of grant funding to community agencies."

b) The board has reviewed all applications and reached tentative conclusions; they are now prepared to present their recommendations.

c) Recommendation: Review and discuss their recommendations; possible direction to board members.

5) 14-004. Continued discussion and preliminary approval of the City Council's FY '15 Budget.

6) 14-005. Consideration of a request, from Ben Eastwood, to have a discussion with Council regarding the "public banking initiative".

7) 14-006. Discussion with the Fire Chief and Police Chief regarding a proposed fireworks ordinance.

8) 14-007. First reading/public hearing regarding an ordinance that addresses dog waste. dog waste, Sec. 8-210. DEFECATION:

(a) The person in control of a domestic pet which defecates in any public area or on private property of another person shall immediately remove the fecal material and dispose of it in a sanitary manner. [The person in control of any dog which defecates in a public park, walkway, sidewalk, street, public way, playground, cemetery, school grounds, state property or on private property shall remove such material immediately and dispose of it in a sanitary manner. This provision shall not apply to private property used without objection of the

property owner or to off-trail, wooded areas of public parks.]

(b) It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog to violate subsection (a) herein.

(c) A violation of this Section shall be subject to the general penalty provisions, and those penalty provisions of Section 8-205 herein. Additionally, and in lieu thereof, the City of Montpelier may elect to issue a City nuisance citation in connection with initial and subsequent offenses of this provision. In that event, a civil penalty of \$30 may be imposed for the initial violation. The penalty for a second offense within a six-month period of the initial offense shall be \$50. The penalty for a third and any subsequent offense within a six-month period of the initial offense shall be \$60.

(d) Any person who fails or declines to respond to a City nuisance citation issued pursuant to subsection (c) herein shall be subject to the general penalty provisions and the provisions of Sec. 8-205 herein in respect of the original offense.

(e) Recommendation: Conduct the first public hearing, with or without further amendment(s); set the date of January 15th for the second public hearing/reading.

9) 14-008. Reports by City Council

10) 14-009. Mayor's Report

11) 14-010. Report by the City Clerk

12) 14-011. Reports by the City Manager

13) Adjournment