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March 4, 2008

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City Meeting Warning

The legal voters of the City of Montpelier, in City Meeting in Montpelier, in the County of Washington and the State of Vermont, are hereby warned to meet in the City Hall Auditorium, in said Montpelier, on the first Tuesday in March, March 4, 2008, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, and there and then to cast their ballot for the election of officers, matters that by law must be determined by ballot, and other matters as directed by the Council. The polls will be opened at 7:00 A.M. and shall be closed and the voting machine sealed at 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1.

To elect a mayor for a term of two years; one auditor for an unexpired term of one year; one commissioner for the Green Mount Cemetery for a term of five years; one commissioner for the Green Mount Cemetery for an unexpired term of four years; one park commissioner for a term of five years; two school commissioners, each for a term of three years; one council member from each district, for a term of two years.

RESULTS:

Mayor: Mary Hooper: 2779 (unopposed)

Auditor: no candidate, no votes

Park Commissioner: Cara Robecheck 2,141 (unopposed)

Green Mount Cemetary Commissioner (term of 4 yrs):

Meri Neilsen: 2,399

Jake Brown: 62 (write-in)

School Commissioner:

John Hollar: 1,817

Rick VandenBergh: 1,046

Adam Richardson: 973

Council Person District 1: Andy Hooper: 677

Council Person District 2: Nancy Sherman: 904

Council Person District 3: Alan H. Weiss: 753

ARTICLE 2. YES: 2,393 NO: 726

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$6,164,724 for the payment of debts and current expenses of the City for carrying out any of the purposes of the Charter, plus payment of all state and county taxes and obligations imposed upon the City by law to finance the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Requested by the City Council)

FY2009 City Budget --

<http://www.montpelier-vt.org/budget/index.cfm>

ARTICLE 3. YES: 2,259 NO: 968

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$15,072,204 necessary for the support of the public school system for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Local budget of \$14,541,063 plus grant budget of \$531,141, for a total school budget of \$15,072,204.) (Requested by the School Board)

ARTICLE 4. YES: 2,541 NO: 652

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$619,274 for the support of the Recreation Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Requested by the School Board)

ARTICLE 5. YES: 2,637 NO: 548

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$87,072 for the support of the Senior Citizens Activity Center for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Requested by the School Board)

ARTICLE 6. YES: 2,498 NO: 681

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,700 as compensation to the Mayor for services for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Requested by the City Council)

ARTICLE 7. YES: 2,486 NO: 682

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$6,000 (\$1,000 each) as compensation to the Council Members for their services for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Requested by the City Council)

ARTICLE 8. YES: 2,319 NO: 795

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$7,300 (Chair \$1,300; others \$1,000 each) as compensation to the School Commissioners for their services for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Requested by the School Board)

ARTICLE 9. YES: 1,943 NO: 1,236

To see if the voters will authorize the City Council to borrow a sum not to exceed \$1,495,000 for repairs and improvements to the buildings and grounds of Union Elementary School, Main Street Middle School, and Montpelier High School. If approved, bonds would be issued for a term of 20 years. Because of the statewide moratorium on school construction aid, this project will be constructed at 100% City cost without state participation. State funds may not be available at the time this project is otherwise eligible to receive state aid. The City is responsible for all costs in connection with any borrowing done in anticipation of state school construction aid. With a twenty-year bond, approximately \$55,121 would be added to the taxes raised in Article 3 for the first year debt service. The first full year debt service will be approximately \$136,424. (Requested by the School Board)

ARTICLE 10. YES: 2,242 NO: 944

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$52,000 to be placed in a special revenue account under the name of the Montpelier Housing Trust Fund? Such account, including interest and earnings thereon, shall be used exclusively by the City to award grants and loans to appropriate non-profit organizations to preserve, construct and rehabilitate dwelling units affordable to households with incomes less than or equal to 80% of median income (with a priority for homeownership units) and which are subject to covenants or restrictions that preserve their affordability for a minimum of 15 years. (Requested by the City Council)

ARTICLE 11. YES: 2,323 NO: 872

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$72,668 to be used by the Kellogg-Hubbard Library for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (This amount is in addition to the \$210,000 for library operations and the \$49,934 for library bond payment included in the City General Fund Budget, Article 2.) (Requested by the City Council)

ARTICLE 12. YES: 2,411 NO: 667

Shall the City of Montpelier enter into an Interlocal Contract with other municipalities, under Title 24 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated Section 4901, for the purpose of establishing a universal, open-access, financially self-sustaining broadband communications system to provide communications services, including high-speed Internet, telephone and cable television, to the residents, businesses and institutions of these towns? (Requested by the City Council)

ARTICLE 13. YES: 2,295 NO: 780

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$52,000 to be used for Capital Improvements (Road and Drainage Repairs, Chapel Repairs, Monument Restoration) in all public cemeteries in the City of Montpelier for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (Requested by the Cemetery Commission)

ARTICLE 14. YES: 1,856 NO: 1,110

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$400 to be used by the Good Beginnings of Central Vermont for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 15. YES: 1,981 NO: 1,039

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be used by the Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc. for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 16. YES: 2,424 NO: 688

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be used by the Washington County Youth Service Bureau/Boys & Girls Club for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 17. YES: 1,979 NO: 1,093

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be used by the Central Vermont Community Land Trust for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 18. YES: 1,977 NO: 991

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,700 to be used by Project Independence, Inc. for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 19. YES: 2,249 NO: 816

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$6,000 to be used by the Central Vermont Adult Basic Education for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 20. YES: 2,452 NO: 645

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be used by the Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 21. YES: 2,150 NO: 874

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to be used by the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 22. YES: 2,289 NO: 783

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,250 to be used by the People's Health & Wellness Clinic for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 23. YES: 2,097 NO: 914

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,950 to be used by the Washington County Court Diversion Program for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 24. YES: 2,110 NO: 931

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be used by the Family Center of Washington County for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 25. YES: 1,833 NO: 1,111

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be used by the Central Vermont Crime Stoppers for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 26. YES: 2,529 NO: 555

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$18,000 to be used by the Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 27. YES: 2,463 NO: 604

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$500 to be used by the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 28. YES: 2,180 NO: 837

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$3,500 to be used by the Central Vermont Council on Aging for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 29. YES: 2,506 NO: 599

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$3,075 to be used by the Battered Women's Services and Shelter for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 30. YES: 2,090 NO: 987

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be used by The Basement Teen Center for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 31. YES: 2,024 NO: 1,068

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to be used by the Friends of North Branch Nature Center for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 32. YES: 2,748 NO: 408

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be used by the Montpelier Home Delivery Program (Meals on Wheels) for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

ARTICLE 33. YES: 2,305 NO: 754

Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be used by the Vermont Center for Independent Living for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009? (By petition)

/s/ Mary Hooper, Mayor

Council Members:

/s/ T. Andrew Hooper

/s/ Tom Golonka

/s/ Nancy Wasserman

/s/ Nancy Sherman

/s/ James Sheridan

/s/ Harold Garabedian

CITY SEAL:

ATTEST: /s/ Charlotte L. Hoyt,
City Clerk

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