

Date	Committee	Time	Location	Links
6/26	Planning Commission	5:30 PM	City Council Chambers and Zoom	Agenda and Zoom Link
6/28	Restroom Committee Meeting	10:30 AM	City Manager's Conference Room	Agenda and Zoom Link
6/28	City Council Meeting	6:30 PM	City Council Chambers and Zoom	Agenda and Zoom Link

Improve Public Health and Safety

Homelessness Emergency Motel Exodus **update:**

The Legislature approved new terms for the use of hotels. Our team will be meeting today to assess the impact of these changes. They are not perfect but should slow the emergency exodus.

Delayed Pool Opening

The Montpelier City Pool is getting a new pump in the coming weeks. This has delayed the opening day of the pool slightly while the repairs are being made. The Montpelier Recreation Department anticipated the pool will open in late June.

Provide Responsible and Engaged Government

Impact of Gov. Scott signs the HOME Act (also known as S.100). The Planning & Community Development Department and others in City Hall have received a number of questions about the HOME Act which was passed by the Legislature as S.100 and signed into law by the Governor. Most of the provisions of that bill will not go into effect until December 2024 so we have not fully reviewed those provisions yet but the changes to 24 V.S.A. section 4412(2)(1)(D) will go into effect in July of this year. After a full review of those new requirements that go into effect in a few weeks, we have determined that the new law will have no impact on Montpelier's Unified Development Regulations (our zoning bylaws). We have met all of these new minimum requirements for a few years now.

The Department is proud of the fact that Montpelier has continued to lead by example when it comes to removing barriers to housing development. We understand that we are still falling short of getting new units built but this is generally not due to anything in our current bylaws. Building is expensive and the Housing Committee and Department are looking for new tools to help developers bring costs down and hopefully move forward some new projects.

The Department and Planning Commission will also soon be releasing our 2023 list of zoning changes for consideration by the Council, and we look forward to hearing from the public on your thoughts and comments. These will include a number of new changes to make our rules fairer to congregate living projects, zoning map changes to facilitate projects on Northfield Street and Country Club Road, and other technical changes. Look for information starting in July for specific changes and what's next in the amendment process. Contact Mike Miller, Planning Director at mmiller@montpelier-vt.org with any questions or concerns.

Council Retreat

The City Council is seeking a date which will work for a council retreat.

Pending Legal

The City currently has no active litigation.

Create More Housing

Improve Community Prosperity

Country Club Road: Based on the Council's direction, the project team will bring a proposed set of actions to the June 28th meeting. This will outline specific steps needed to move from concept to implementation.

****The Community Services Department weekly newsletter can be found at the end of this report, beginning after strategic plan items. ****

Build and Maintain Sustainable Infrastructure

****The Department of Public Works weekly newsletter can be found on the City's Department of Public Works webpage (linked here). ***

Employment and Personnel Announcements

Staff Development and Training

MMANH: City Manager Bill Fraser will be attending the Summer conference of the Municipal Managers of New Hampshire this week (21st to 23rd) as part of his ICMA Northeast Vice President duties. The conference includes non NH specific topics such as recruitment and retention, alternative power arrangements, and mental wellness for employees.

SHRM: HR Director Tanya Chambers attended the Society of Human Resource Managers annual conference in Las Vegas last week. She participated in sessions such as HR office of one, virtual workplace culture, employee performance evaluations, and adult bullying.

HKS SLG: Assistant City Manager Kelly Murphy is completing the three week State & Local Government Executive Program at the Harvard Kennedy School this week.

Municipal Job Openings

Visit the City website for more information: <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/Jobs.aspx>

Join our Department of Public Works Department: Openings:

- (1) Water Treatment Plant Entry Level Operator
- Streets Division Employee
- Design Engineer

Pick up a job application:

- In-person at 783 Dog River Road Montpelier VT 05602
- By email Jasmine Benson at jbenson@montpelier-vt.org
- Online: <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/.../DPW-Application-Revised...>
- Submit a letter of interest along with a completed job application and resume to Jasmine Benson at jbenson@montpelier-vt.org.

Mental Health Clinician: Montpelier Police, Barre City Police and Washington County Mental Health are still looking for a police mental health clinician to work with our agencies. If you have any interest either call Chief Nordenson at 802-223-3445 or apply directly at : <https://wcmhs.applytojob.com/apply/rZGj0OPhbn/Police-Mental-Health-Clinician>

Reminders

ORCA MEDIA

ORCA Media supports the City of Montpelier by live streaming videos to local TV and on YouTube. Recently, Comcast changed the government channel to 1085.

- Click here to see City Council Meetings: <https://www.orcamedia.net/series/montpelier-city-council>
- Click here for Live Stream: <https://www.orcamedia.net/series/live-stream-events>

Thank you,



William Fraser, City Manager

Council Meeting Agenda Schedule and Strategic Planning Items on following pages

Upcoming Agenda Items (<i>TENTATIVE</i>)			
6/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCR Decisions • Outside Agencies Funding • District Heat Budget • District Heat Rates • Gove Community Garden 	7/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12-16 Main Street • 110 State Street • Heaton Woods Loan?
7/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casella Check-in • Vendor Ordinance • Strategic Plan report 	8/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vendor Ordinance 2nd reading
9/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 Strategic Planning 	9/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Planning
10/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Preview 	10/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

? = Date is tentative, may shift to a different date

Reminder that there is no meeting on August 9th.

CURRENT PENDING STRATEGIC PLAN ITEMS

Topics from the FY22-23 City Council Strategic Plan for Future Council Agendas:

Month	Tentative Topic(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• City Master Plan (Summer 2023)• Stormwater Utility – delayed due to DPW staffing

Community Services Department
Report, Week in Review:
June 19th – 23rd

Happy Pride Month!



Website: www.montpelier-vt.org/cs

- **Senior Activity Center Office Hours:**
 - Monday – Thursday | 8:30am – 3pm
 - Friday | Office Closed
- **Recreation Department Office Hours:**
 - Monday – Friday | 8:30am – 4pm
- **Parks & Trees inquiries can be fielded at either office.**

Community Services News

- All Community Services offices will have reduced services on Monday, July 3rd and will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th.

Montpelier Senior Activity Center (MSAC)

- **The JULY Newsletter is Hot off the Press! View it and Summer Program Guide here:** <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/304/Newsletter>
- **LAST CALL to sign up for Summer Classes!** Dust off your dancing shoes, get ready to sharpen your pencils, dig into digital photography, hook a rug, paint a picture, strengthen your body with pilates, choose from one of 10 yoga or 3 bone builders classes, learn how to use resistance bands, move slowly in space with tai chi or Qi Gong to gain your center...or learn how to manage your high blood pressure...MSAC has it all. Register NOW to claim your spot!
<https://www.montpelier-vt.org/751/Classes>
- **Thanks to our members for coming out to our Annual Meeting!** MSAC members are what make MSAC special. If you or someone you know is over 50, it's not too late to join this incredible organization as a member! Click here to learn how: <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/364/Become-a-Member>



- **FEAST Farmstand Returns for the summer! Featuring live music!** We welcomed the farmstand back to MSAC for another summer this past Wednesday! Join us every Wednesday from now until September for farmstand fun. We're here from 9-10:30, and remember in the event of rain, we'll have the farmstand inside MSAC. Come on out to hear live music, see friends, and of course enjoy this wildly fresh produce!

- **Calling all to the next Barre St Potluck: June 28th 5-7:30pm** Come out and join your neighbors in the playground behind MSAC and CAL to enjoy delicious treats, live music, and engaging conversation. Potlucks are all summer long on the 4th Wednesday of the month.
- **MSAC Trips are back all summer long! Pick up a Summer 2023 trips flyer at the MSAC side entrance.**
 - **Shelburne Museum:** Wednesday, July 12th | 9:30am-3pm | Cost: \$28
 - **Lake Elmore Extravaganza:** Thursday, July 20th | 4:30-9pm | Cost: \$10
 - **Walk the Danville Rail Trail:** Friday, July 21st | 9:30am-2pm | Cost: \$10
 - **Hood Museum & Tea at King Arthur Flour:** Wednesday, July 26th | 9:30am-4:30pm | Cost: \$17
 - **Montreal Museum:** Thursday, August 10th | 8am-6:30pm | Cost: \$85
 - **See details and register online:** <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/313/Trips>
 - **You can also register with our office:** 802-223-2518
- **Seeking Some Fun?** Join our wide variety of drop-in groups, most open to all ages. Hankering for music? Poetry? Drumming? Dancing? Community service? Games? Coffee & Conversation? Book discussions? Meals? Drag Bingo? We've got it all!

Montpelier Recreation News

- **Program Registration** – You can deliver registration forms either:
 - In person at the Recreation Center
 - By mailing forms and payment to 58 Barre Street, or
 - Using [our online registration platform](#) (**ONLY IF YOU HAVE A USER ACCOUNT ALREADY! Please call 802-225-8699 for setup assistance**)

Extra registration forms and a locked drop box are in the side vestibule of 58 Barre Street (the Senior Activity Center) for after-hours use.

- **Montpelier Public Pool Will Be Opening for the Summer Soon! See more details on how you can use your pool pass at the Wrightsville Beach Area:**
 - As many of you know by now, the Montpelier Public Pool's summer opening has been delayed to early July 2023 due to supply chain issues with our pool pump manufacturer. Our planned start date was Saturday, June 24th, which has left Montpelier pool pass holders confused as to what a delayed start will mean for accessing the pool and getting the most value from their purchase.

- Today, we're happy to announce a deal made with the Wrightsville Beach. Montpelier pool pass holders will be able to use their pass for free entrance at Wrightsville Beach until our pool opens in early July. During this period, Wrightsville will treat their pass like a Wrightsville Beach Access Season Pass. This means that they will get 25% off Boat Rentals (50% off Rentals for residents of Montpelier, E. Montpelier, Middlesex, Worcester). Disc Golf Course use for kids up to 18 years will be free, and for players 19+, it's \$1.50 to use the Disc Golf Course.
- **About Wrightsville Beach**
 - They are open daily from 9am to dusk (~ 8:30pm). The swimming water is tested regularly and is very safe. The drinking water is also tested quarterly and is pure & safe. At the site, there is a beach, picnic area w/grills, trails, disc golf, boat rentals, and fishing. There are three Group Sites (by reservation) and primitive bathrooms onsite. There is no trash service (carry-in/carry-out). It is located 1/4 mile north of the Boat Launch off Route 12 with ample parking.
- **Wrightsville Beach Rules:**
 1. No dogs from Memorial Weekend through September 30th.
 2. No water balloons or confetti.
 3. No glass containers.
 4. No loud music.
 5. No games that put others in harm's-way
- **The Wrightsville Beach will have staff ready starting on June 22nd 2023.** They will keep track of the entrances for Montpelier pass holders. The Montpelier Recreation Department is working diligently to get our pool up and running as fast as possible, and we will announce our official opening through our website and social media channels as soon as we can get our pool operational. We want to thank the Wrightsville Beach Recreation District for their support, and if you have any questions about the Wrightsville Beach, please contact Collin O'Neil at WrightsvilleBeachVT@gmail.com.
- **Summer Pool Passes:** Purchase Pool Passes by filling out the Pool Pass Purchase Form on the website or in the office. The form must be returned to the Rec Center (55 Barre St) in order your passes to be processed. We do accept credit cards payments at the Rec Center Offices. We do also except cash or checks. Checks can be made out to: Montpelier Recreation Department. Mail: "Montpelier Recreation Department Attn: Haidi Arias 58 Barre St., Montpelier, VT 05602"

- **SPECIAL NOTE:** Family swim requires an individual to be entering 9th grade or they must be accompanied by someone 18 years of age or older. Children aged 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Children 4 and under must have an adult in the water with them.

- **Special Events at the Pool This Month:**
 - **MEMBER GUEST DAYS** People with passes may bring a guest for free on the following dates:
 - DATES: June 24, July 22, August 5
 - TIME: During General and Family Swim for that day.
 - **ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** Bring your family and friends to join us at the pool for some free ice cream.
 - WHEN: Friday, June 30th
 - TIME: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 - FEE: Regular Admission.

- **Day Camp Counselors Needed!** We're still looking for Day Camp Counselors to lead throughout the summer at Capital Kids Summer Camp for summer 2023. Interested? Learn more about this job and all available positions on our website: <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/869/Employment>. Contact Assistant Director Haidi with any questions: 802-225-8691 or harias@montpelier-vt.org.

- **Summer Baseball with the Vermont Mountaineers** Pick up a game schedule at the Montpelier Rec Dept and Montpelier Senior Activity Center, or view games online at: www.thevermontmountaineers.com. Thank you to National Life Group for being a presenting sponsor.
 - Mountaineers Baseball Camps beginning next week – June 19th-25th.

- **Fall Youth Soccer Registration Begins July 1st!**
 - Fall is only a few months away, and Montpelier Recreation will be opening up Fall Youth Soccer for registration starting July 1st. Our fall youth soccer program covers grades K-6 and all skill levels. Sign up information to come soon, so learn more on our website (www.montpelier-vt.org/838/Recreation), social media pages, or by stopping into our office at 55 Barre Street starting in August.
 - **Coaches & Referees Needed!** Parents and guardians are needed to help coach and referee this fall. Please mark your calendars for our organizational meeting in early September! Meeting info TBA later in the summer; follow our newsletter, website, and social media pages for the latest updates.

- **2022-23 Pickleball Open Gym**
 - The Montpelier Recreation Center offers two indoor courts. There is a 12-player maximum per session. Open gym is for adults (18+). Please bring your own paddles. The Recreation Department will supply balls to play on open gym days. All levels are welcome. See below for days and times.
 - Find us on playerlineup.com. Search: “Montpelier Rec Center PB”
 - **Open Gym Schedule (based on skill level)**
 - **Beginner:** Mondays → 1:30 – 3:00 pm | Wednesdays → 9 – 10:30 am
 - **Beginner/Intermediate:** Thursdays → 1:30 – 3 pm
 - **Intermediate:** Mondays → 9 – 10:30 am | Wednesdays → 1:30 – 3 pm | Thursdays → 1:30 – 3 pm
 - **Intermediate/Advanced:** Fridays → 9 – 10:30 am
 - **Advanced:** Tuesdays → 9 – 11 am
 - **Open Gym Fees:**
 - **Walk-Ins:** Montpelier Residents: \$4; Non-Montpelier Residents: \$6
 - **Punch Cards (22 visits, pickleball only):** Montpelier Residents: \$45; Non-Montpelier Residents: \$60
- **Spring Pickleball Clinics for Adults (18+)**
 - **Beginner Skills Clinic | June 23 - July 21*** All clinics are taught by USPTA Tennis Professional and Pickleball Instructor Scott Barker.
 - **Info:** Fridays from 2-3pm at the Elm St. Tennis Courts (Rec Area)
 - **Registration:** Register online or by filling out a form.
- **2023 Summer Noontime Basketball**
 - 2023 Summer Noontime Basketball takes place in the Recreation Department gym at 55 Barre Street on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 11:45am – 1:15pm.
 - Open Gym Fees:
 - Walk-Ins: Montpelier Residents: \$4; Non-Montpelier Residents: \$6
 - Punch Cards (22 visits, basketball only): Montpelier Residents: \$45; Non-Montpelier Residents: \$60
 - Season passes cover all session through August 31st:
 - Montpelier Residents: \$90
 - Non-Montpelier Residents: \$135
- **Capital Kids Summer Day Camp (June 26th – August 18th)**
 - The Capital Kids Summer Day Camp is starting soon! Learn more: <https://www.montpelier-vt.org/843/Capital-Kids-Day-Camp>

- **Weekly Themes:**
 - **Week 1:** June 26 - 30; Hawaiian Luau Summer Kick Start Party; Field Trip: Whales Tales Water Park
 - **Week 2:** July 5 - 7; Nature Explores; Field Trip; Lake Elmore (**Closed Monday & Tuesday, July 3 & 4**)
 - **Week 3:** July 10 - 14; Back to the 80's & 90's: Specialty: Magic Show
 - **Week 4:** July 17 - 21; Under the sea exploration; All about sharks and mermaids!; Walking Field Trip: Movie Theater
 - **Week 5:** July 24 - 28; Lego & Domino Masters; Field Trip: ECHO, Leahy Center
 - **Week 6:** July 31 - Aug. 4; Ninja Warrior; Field Trip: Get Air
 - **Week 7:** Aug. 7 - 11; Wacky Olympics Sports; Specialty: Mini Golf Course
 - **Week 8:** Aug 14 - 18; Best of the Summer Finale; Field Trip: Lake Groton

- **Tae Kwon Do will continue through June 29th at the Montpelier Senior Activity Center's Activity Room (upstairs)**
 - After this session, this course will be on pause until September for the summer.

Montpelier Parks

- **FEAST Farm Stand opening on Wednesday, June 21st:** Join us this Wednesday, June 21st at 9am for our grand opening in front of the Senior Activity Center (58 Barre Street) with fresh produce from the FEAST Farm! We'll be hosting the Farm Stand every Wednesday at 9am in front of the Senior Activity Center. We're looking for volunteers, and if you're interested, contact the FEAST office: 802-262-6288 or emutino@montpelier-vt.org.
 - You can also fill out our volunteer form here: <https://bit.ly/FEASTVolunteers2023>.

- **Parkapalooza 2023!**

- Montpelier's summer concert series is coming back to the Tuning Forks Soundstage on Thursday, July 13th at 5:30pm. Arrive early, and plan for fun times throughout the summer. Each family friendly event will feature live music, our giant slip 'n slide, and a huge open space for people to gather and listen to live music. We have a great lineup of local and regional bands. Now in its sixth year, Parkapalooza celebrates all that we love about Central Vermont— family time outside, community and the arts.

