

**CITY OF MONTPELIER  
CAPITAL CITY OF VERMONT**

**City Manager's Weekly Report – 2/12/2016**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS ...**

Tuesday, February 16

Design Review Committee, 5:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers

Bicycle Advisory Committee, 6:00 P.M. in the City Manager's Conference Room

Energy Advisory Committee, 7:00 P.M. in the Memorial Room

Parks Commission Meeting, 7:00 P.M. in the Police Department Community Room

Thursday, February 18

Montpelier Senior Advisory Council Meeting, 1:00 P.M. in the MSAC Activity Room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

“Friends of the Winooski”, 6:00 P.M. in the City Manager's Conference Room

*Pre-town Meeting, 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. at the Montpelier Senior Activity Center, 58 Barre Street*

**ATTACHMENTS ...**



Press Release: DUI Task Force Conducts Saturation Patrol

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT ...**

**One Taylor**

- Grant application for funding for replacement of the retaining wall and connected soils was presented yesterday. We expect to be informed of the status in the near future and are optimistic that we will be successful.
- You have been updated on the status of the easements. The Mayor followed up with property owners as discussed

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- Yesterday, Mowatt Trust submitted an application to amend their existing two-story building permit to a three-story building. I co-signed the application since the project involves City-owned land. This is an exciting prospect for the One Taylor Project and for downtown development.

## **Annual Report**

The Annual Report is being posted to the website tonight. Print version should be available by the end of next week.

## **Information on City Services**

As suggested at a recent Council meeting, we will have a table on voting day for VT-Alert sign-up and other general information/brochures about city services. A full packet for realtors, new residents, etc. is being developed now.

## **Winter Maintenance**

Although there has been little snow, DPW has still been working hard at addressing icing issues, particularly on sidewalks. Some people may have observed sidewalk plows traveling without plowing or spreading salt.

There has been quite a bit of daytime snow melt flowing across the sidewalks which quickly freezes, particularly once the sun goes down (and one day the temperature plummeted during daylight hours). These temperature extremes are more typical of early spring demanding a de-icing response in the morning and evening. To respond to these conditions, sidewalk plow operators are instructed to drive their routes to inspect for sidewalk hazards and apply material where and as needed.

Sometimes once is not enough. When it comes to pedestrian safety and convenience, we'd prefer not to assume that the first pass was completely effective and a second drive-through is performed to make certain no areas were missed. This is partly because material is spread from the back of the machine out of sight of the operator. Occasionally, material in the distributor will clog and areas will be missed without the operator's knowledge so it's good practice to double check which is done by driving the route again.

## **Legal**

*VCFA vs. City, Tax Appeal.* – Oral argument on cross motions for Summary Judgment was held at Washington Superior Court on Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. Represented by Robert Fletcher

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*Illuzzi vs. City, Law, Motyka, Renaud Bros.* – Motions have been filed; going into mediation.  
Represented by Constance Tryon Bell through VLCT

## WEEKLY UPDATES FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS ...

*None this week*

## TOPICS FOR UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ...

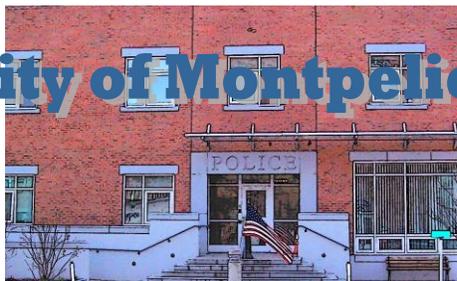
February 24 <sup>th</sup>	Public Hearing on Charter Changes Investment Committee RFP's Dog Ordinance
March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Organizational Meeting Orientation 2015-16 Goals Review Parking/Smart Meters/Kiosks Transportation Committee
March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	2016-17 Goals/Priorities



William J. Fraser  
City Manager



# City of Montpelier Police Department



**Anthony J. Facos**  
**Chief of Police**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

February 10, 2016

## **DUI Task Force conducts saturation patrol**

On February 7, 2016 local law enforcement officers conducted a DUI Task Force saturation patrol in the central Vermont area. Participating agencies included Washington County Sheriff's Department, Berlin Police Department and the Montpelier Police Department. Officers and Deputies conducted 65 traffic stops for various traffic related offenses and contacted 99 individuals.

The saturation patrols took place in Barre, Berlin, Montpelier, Barre Town, Northfield and Waterbury. As a result of the saturation patrol, fourteen Vermont Civil Violation Complaints were issued and two arrests were made. The arrests included 1 arrest for DUI and 1 arrest for Excessive Speeding / Negligent Operation. The following individuals were arrested and cited into Vermont Superior Court.

Greg Kelley, (18) of Barre, Vermont was cited to appear in Vermont Superior Court (Washington Criminal Division) to answer to the charge of Excessive Speeding.

Elizabeth Oatley, (20) of Montpelier, Vermont was cited to appear in Vermont Superior Court (Washington Criminal Division) to answer to the charges of DUI.