

## **Council Minutes**

**December 7, 2020**

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held remotely on December 7, 2020. Participating in the meeting were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President Daniel Ross, Council Members Melissa Pettersson, Kevin Charboneau and John Wilson, City Manager Laura Dolgin, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Chief of Police Travis Bingham, Fire Chief John Harlamert, Rebecca Therrien, Jessica Booth, PW Director Tom Bernier, Zoning Admin. Erik Voegtlin, Stephen Dalpe, David Templeman and Liz Vickers.

Mayor Monette called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Charboneau move to approve the minutes of November 16, 2020. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried unanimously.

### **Comments by the Public**

None

### **Annual VAST North Country Mountaineer's Snowmobile Club MOU (attached)**

Mr. Ross moved to enter a MOU with the North Country Mountaineer's Snowmobile club. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried unanimously.

### **Fire and Recreation & Parks Budget Review**

Fire Chief John Harlamert and Recreation & Parks Director Jessica Booth reviewed their proposed 2021-22 operational budgets with the council.

### **No. 164 An Act Relating to the Regulation of Cannabis**

Liz Vickers and David Templeman gave a power point presentation on Act 164 for their proposal to place an article on the ballot at Town Meeting, March 2, 2021 authorizing them to open a cannabis retail operation in the City of Newport. The Issue will be placed on the next meetings agenda.

**2021 Regular City Council Meeting Schedule**

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the 2021 council meeting schedule. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried unanimously.

**New Business**

Ms. Petterson noted a lot of trash on the sides of the roads.

**Old Business**

None

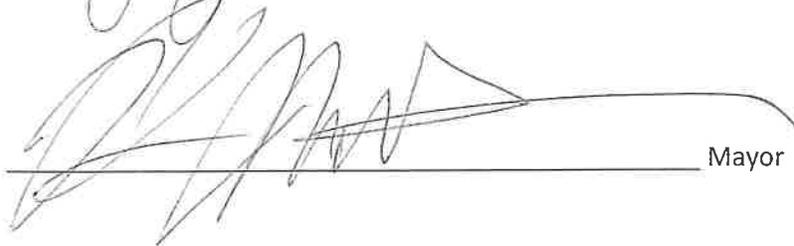
**Next Meeting Date**

December 21, 2020

**Adjournment**

Mr. Charboneau moved to adjourn at 8:18 PM. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried unanimously.

Attested  This 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 2021

 Mayor



# Landowner Permission Form

For the Vermont Association of Snow Travelers, Inc.  
25 Vast Lane • Barre, VT 05641 • 802.229.0005 • Fax 802.223.4316

Permission is hereby granted to the Vermont Association of Snow Travelers, Incorporated (VAST), to  
Orleans County Snowmobile Club,  
Incorporated, and to the North Country Mountaineers of,  
Coventry Vermont to establish, maintain, and groom a snowmobile trail or trails upon property located in  
Newport City Vermont belonging to City Of Newport of  
Newport, VT The snowmobile trail(s) shall be established and maintained in an area acceptable to the  
landowner. No construction or major maintenance shall occur without the landowner's permission. Permission is further granted to VAST,  
to the fourteen Vermont county snowmobile clubs, to all affiliated local snowmobile clubs, and to their respective members to use the  
trail(s).

Permission extends for a period starting Dec 15th 2020 to April 15th 2021

Permission is subject to the additional terms and conditions listed below, if none, enter "NONE".  
Permission to use Broadview Ave and Landing St. with the following Conditions. Both  
Streets must have a 10 mph speed limit for snowmobiles. A curfew of 10:00pm to 8:00am  
on Landing St. The City can revoke permission at anytime.

Vermont law limits the liability of landowners for personal injury and property damage sustained by a person operating a snowmobile or riding as a passenger to damage intentionally inflicted by the landowner unless the landowner charges the owner or operator of the snowmobile a cash fee for the use of the property. VAST agrees to maintain a policy of trails liability insurance with a policy limit of at least \$1,000,000 covering the landowner as an additional insured. VAST further agrees to defend the landowner or reimburse the landowner for the reasonable costs of defense in the event that a claim is made or a suit is brought as a result of a snowmobile accident on the landowner's property, unless the landowner charges a fee for the use of the landowner's property for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a snowmobile trails(s). A complete "Explanation of Landowner Rights and Protections" is printed on the reverse side of this document. Neither this permission nor any use of the trail(s) established pursuant to this permission shall, under any circumstances, entitle VAST, any county snowmobile club, any local snowmobile club, or any member of any one or more such clubs, to claim any dedication, any right of adverse possession, any prescriptive easement, or any similar right with respect to any portion of the landowner's property.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2020

Vermont Association of Snow Travelers, Inc.

Signature of landowner or landowner's duly authorized agent

By:

Steven J Dalpe

(Please Print Name)

(Please Print Name)

Its duly authorized agent for the limited purpose of negotiating and entering into landowner permission agreements.

Mailing Address:

City Of Newport  
222 Main Street  
Newport, VT 05855

Phone Number

Phone Number

# 2021 Regular City Council Meeting Schedule

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

January 4, 2021			
January 11, 2021			
February 01, 2021			
February 08, 2021			
March 1, 2021 Regular & Informational Meeting about the Annual Meeting			
March 2, 2021 Annual Mtg. & at 8:00 p.m. to bring up any other business from the Annual Mtg.			
March 15, 2021			
April 5, 2021			
April 19, 2021			
May 3, 2021			
May 17, 2021			
June 7, 2021			
June 21, 2021			
July 12, 2021			
July 19, 2021			
August 2, 2021			
August 16, 2021			
September 13, 2021			
September 20, 2021			
October 4, 2021			
October 18, 2021			
November 1, 2021			
November 15, 2021			
December 6, 2021			
December 20, 2021			