

**Regular Meeting of the Barre City Council  
Held June 19, 2012**

The Regular Meeting of the Barre City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Thomas Lauzon. In attendance were: From Ward II, Councilors Michael Boutin and Michael Smith; and from Ward III, Councilors Anita Chadderton and Lucas Herring. Also in attendance were Manager Steven Mackenzie and Clerk Carolyn Dawes.

Mayor Lauzon asked the Council to rise while Clerk Dawes read resolution #2012-06 honoring Leo Valliere, who passed away on Monday, June 18, 2012. Mr. Valliere served the City as chair of the Board of Civil Authority, Justice of the Peace, former Councilor and former Barre City representative to the Vermont Legislature. Council approved the resolution on motion of Councilor Boutin, seconded by Councilor Smith. **Motion carried.**

**We Dig Barre Treasure Dig Drawing.** We Dig Barre committee chair Mary Jane Magnan and mascot Digger invited Councilor Herring to draw last week's winner, and announced this week's clue.

**New Business:**

**A) Police Officers Performance Recognition – James Pontbriand, Michael Zemanik.**

Mayor Lauzon presented certificates of commendation to Officers James Pontbriand and Michael Zemanek for their performance and service above and beyond the call of duty. On May 25, 2012, while responding to a call for assistance, they administered cardio-pulmonary resuscitation to a person who was in cardiac distress. Responding EMS personnel said the officers' actions directly resulted in the survival of the patient.

**City response to Northeast Materials Act 250 permit application.**

Manager Mackenzie reviewed his draft response memo and proposed permit condition/applicant's stipulation language. There was discussion about revising the language so that Northeast Materials would be responsible for all costs associated with the proposed improvements at the Quarry Street/South Main Street intersection. Council approved the language as amended and authorized Manager Mackenzie to sign any necessary paperwork on behalf of the City on motion of Councilor Herring, seconded by Councilor Smith. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Lauzon asked City Engineer Reg Abare to put out the request for bids for the project within the next week so that Northeast Materials will have a firm figure for their consideration.

Manager Mackenzie and Mr. Abare left the meeting to present the City's response at Northeast Materials' Act 250 hearing.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Council approved the following consent agenda items as presented on motion of Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Herring. **Motion carried.**

- Minutes of the following meetings:
  - Regular Meeting of June 12, 2012
  - Special Meeting of June 16, 2012
- City Warrants as presented, including a Community Development Warrant payable out of a municipal planning grant.
- 2012 Licenses & Permits issued through the clerk's office:
  - Single event Entertainment License, Barre Area Senior Center, ice cream social with live music, Thursday, August 9, 2012 from 12:00 – 4:00 PM. Council approval includes waiver of the application fee.
  - Single event Entertainment License, Ladder 1 Grill, extension of current annual

entertainment license to include music, food & drink under a tent in the back parking lot, Saturday, July 28, 2012 from 11:00 AM – 10:30 PM.

**The City Clerk and Treasurer Report** – Clerk Dawes made the following announcements:

- Dog licenses continue to be issued. Letters were sent out in late May, alerting dog owners that they have 30 days to get their dog licenses renewed before the list is turned over to the First Constable for enforcement. The warrant turning the list of delinquent dog licenses over to the First Constable will be coming to Council for approval in the near future.
- The grand list is scheduled to be lodged on Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. Tax bills are scheduled to be downloaded to the printer on Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, with bills scheduled to be in the mail by July 16<sup>th</sup>. The Clerk requested that Council schedule a meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup> to set the tax rate. Council approved moving its first meeting in July from Tuesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> to Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup> on motion of Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Herring. **Motion carried.**

**Approval of Building Permits** –NONE

**Liquor Control Board** –

Council approved an extension of Ladder 1 Grill's outside consumption permit to allow for alcohol consumption under a temporary tent being set up in the rear parking lot on Saturday, July 28, 2012. Service is scheduled from 11:00 AM – 10:30 PM. Approval was on motion of Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Herring. **Motion carried with Councilor Boutin abstaining.**

**Visitors and Communications** – NONE

**Old Business:** NONE

**New Business:**

**B) Resolution 2012 – 06 Rotary Park Playground Name Change.**

Mayor Lauzon said this resolution will be re-numbered and presented at next week's meeting.

**C) Review/Revise Barre City Fee Schedule.**

Clerk Dawes gave a quick review of the current fee schedule, which includes a few proposed changes. The Clerk said several departments are reviewing the list and will have their recommended changes ready for presentation at the next Council meeting. There was discussion about fee changes for vendor permits, parking permits and rental housing registration. Mayor Lauzon said the list will be on the July 5<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda for further discussion.

**D) Award of FY 13 Annual Supply Bids.**

Mayor Lauzon said the bids are being held back in recognition of the ongoing reductions in gas and fuel oil costs. The bids will come to Council in the near future.

**E) Annual Appointments.**

Mayor Lauzon said the annual appointments will be on the Council agenda in the near future. The Mayor said letters will be mailed to all appointees, requesting that they acknowledge their appointment and accept the responsibilities associated with serving.

**F) Annual Financial Plan – Town Highways FY 2012-2013.**

Council approved the Annual Financial Plan – Town Highways FY 2012-2013 on motion of Councilor Chadderton, seconded by Councilor Herring. **Motion carried.**

**City Manager Report** – NONE

**Round Table –**

Councilor Chadderton said she has noted a large amount of debris and furniture on a front lawn on North Main Street. Mayor Lauzon said he will report it to the appropriate department for investigation.

Councilor Boutin said he has created a survey on Survey Monkey, and it can be accessed from the Barre City FaceBook fan page.

Councilor Herring announced the Rock Fire events this weekend at Millstone Hill in Barre Town. He also said the last day of elementary school went well, and several students said they would miss school during the summer.

Councilor Smith reminded everyone of the activities in Barre on Wednesdays during the summer, including the Farmer's Market, Authors at the Aldrich and Concerts in the Park.

Mayor Lauzon said he will confirm the schedule for next week's Council tour during the Council meeting.

The Mayor again offered his condolences to the Valliere family.

Council adjourned at 7:50 PM on motion of Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Herring. **Motion carried.**

An audio transcript of the meeting is available through the Clerk's Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn S. Dawes, City Clerk