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# CITY OF WINOOSKI

## CITY COUNCIL

**COUNCILOR JODI HARRINGTON**  
**COUNCILOR MICHAEL MAHONEY**  
**COUNCILOR ERIK HEIKEL**

Minutes of Monday, May 5 2008  
Claire Burke Chamber

**Members Present:** Mayor Michael O'Brien  
Deputy Mayor Katherine Picard  
Councilor Michael Mahoney  
Councilor Erik Heikel  
Councilor Jodi Harrington

**Members Absent:** None

**Also Present:** City Manager Joshua Handverger, Dave Bowers, Greg Nolin, Ann Linton, Lynn Desjardin, Mike Bergeron, Steve Ticehurst, Ken Braverman, Andy Burns, Janet Stambolian Joseph & Theresa Bourgeois, Francine Kirby, Bill O'Brien, Steve Palmer, Jay Nadeau (CWD)

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked the Deputy Mayor Katherine Picard to lead the group in the pledge of allegiance.

There were no important announcements to be made.

Mr. Steven Ticehurst of Hood Street spoke about the construction on Hood Street.

Councilor Harrington moves for acceptance of the consent agenda. Councilor Mahoney seconds the motion. Motion passes 4-0-0.

Councilor Picard makes a motion to approve the Handicap Parking spot at 96 West Spring Street. Councilor Heikel seconds the motion. Motion passes 4-0-0.

Mr. Nadeau and Mr. Palmer presented on the State's WARN agreement. Councilor Mahoney makes a motion to join the VT WARN. Councilor Picard seconds the motion. Motion passes 4-0-0.

1 Mr. Palmer discussed with the Council the location of the new flag pole at Richard's Park. The Mayor asked  
2 the City Manager to post the stake location on Front Porch Forum.

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4 Representatives from Hall Keen updated the Council about separate downtown projects. The Cascades is  
5 expected to be completed by December 2008. There have been 14 presales. Keens has just hit 95% occupancy.  
6 Janet updated the Council on the status of signing retail leases. Mr. Burnes discussed the progress in securing a  
7 long term relationship with Champlain College. The College is looking for 272 beds for three years. Mr.  
8 Burnes announced that the remediation for the Mercury has been very successful. Mr. Burnes expects to close  
9 on the Mill in 30 to 50 days.

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11 Ms. Perry presented Ms. Hayes for appointment to the Library Board. Councilor Picard moves to appoint Ms.  
12 Hayes. Councilor Mahoney seconds the motion. Motion passes 4-0-0.

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14 The Council discussed the trash hauling noise ordinances. Representatives from Myer's hauling were present.  
15 Greg Nolin, president of the Vermont Hauler's association spoke at length about trash hauling in Winooski.  
16 The Council requested that the hauler's association, submit in writing, a proposal to protect the residents while  
17 still allowing the companies to work.

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19 The Council discussed the logo design process with Ms. Linton. Councilor Picard makes a motion to authorize  
20 the City to enter into an agreement with Ms. Linton about paying \$1,000 to design the City's logo. Councilor  
21 Harrington seconds the motion. Motion passes 4-0-0.

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23 The City Manager updated the Council on the Personnel Bylaw. The Council requested that Councilor Picard  
24 be included in the process to update the Council with recommendations on the bylaw changes.

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26 The Council discussed the issue of the future of the police fleet. The Council decided that they needed  
27 additional information and agreed to wait until area chiefs could present their opinions about what works in  
28 their fleets. Additionally, the Council decided to evaluate the criteria that they choose

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30 Councilor Harrington updated the Council on the School Committee/City task force. It was agreed that the  
31 subcommittee would schedule times to meet to discuss joint procurement issues with respective staff members.

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33 The City Manager updated the Committee on the Dismas House Grand Opening, the Senior Center Grant, the  
34 Gove Appeal that has been filed, the Detective's evaluation with the State Police, the Fire Department Awards,  
35 some appreciation for the Community Center, thanks and acknowledgement for green-up day, a thank you from  
36 the Winooski Community Partnership, a discussion over the current audit and our FY2007 shortfalls.

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38 During the Council's Roundtable discussion, Councilor Picard asked about the proposal the Accessibility  
39 Committee made several weeks ago and wanted a report on its status, the appointment of Pauline Mongeon and  
40 Moorehouse Brook. The Council asked that the Winooski River Valley Park District be placed on the next  
41 agenda. Councilor Mahoney thanks the Comcast employees and the Winooski residents for their part in  
42 Greenup Day, as did Councilor Heikel. Councilor Harrington discussed a tennis club and gaming club. They  
43 also requested that a thank you be sent to the Town of Hinesburg for the award that was given to the City.

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45 **At 9:35 p.m., Deputy Mayor Katherine Picard makes a motion to adjourn. Councilor Michael Mahoney**  
46 **seconds the motion. Meeting adjourns 4-0-0.**