Special Meeting of the Barre City Council Held January 15, 2014

The Special Meeting of the Barre City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas Lauzon at 7:02 PM in the Montpelier City Council chambers at Montpelier City Hall. In attendance were: From Ward I, Councilor Charles Dindo; and from Ward II, Alderman Michael Boutin and Councilor Michael Smith. Also in attendance were City Manager Steven Mackenzie, City Clerk/Treasurer Carolyn Dawes, members of the Barre Town and Berlin Selectboards and members of the public.

The governing bodies of the four municipalities discussed the proposed Central Vermont Public Safety Authority (CVPSA) charter. Discussion topics included:

- Election vs. appointment of CVPSA committee directors.
- Number of directors from each member municipality, and voted at large.
- Timing of elections.
- Review of the withdrawal process.
- Review of the eminent domain language.
- Transition plan for staffing.
- Repercussions if there isn't unity among the member municipalities during decision making.
- Processing of ballots similar to a school supervisory union.
- Input from public safety officials.
- Inclusion of the proposed cost sharing formula in the charter language.
- Role of the existing committee going forward.
- Obligations of the municipal governing bodies.
- Timing of getting charter language before the legislature.

Mayor Lauzon closed the Barre City Council meeting at 8:12 PM.

There are no audio or video recordings of this meeting available through the Barre City Clerk's office.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn S. Dawes, City Clerk