Chapter 8.04

FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS

Sections:

8.04.010  Removal of weeds, vegetation and inflammable trash.
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A. It is made the duty and responsibility of property owners within the city to see that their respective lots are kept free from weeds and other like vegetation, and inflammable trash, that may become a fire hazard when dry and inflammable.

B. It is made the duty of the chief of the chief of the fire department, whichever is designated by the mayor to do so, to notify any property owner of the presence of weeds, dry grass or inflammable trash on his or her property, and to remove the same within ten (10) days from date of receiving said notice.

C. If said property owner shall fail or refuse to comply with said order of removal, then the city may do so, and the expense of such removal by the city shall be and become a lien on such property, and the clerk notify the owner thereof as to the amount of such expense, and that payment of the same shall be made within ten (10) days of such notice.

D. Upon such failure or refusal of the property owner to pay such removal expense, the clerk shall certify the amount to the treasurer of Bear Lake County for collection along with the other taxes assessed and to be collected against such owner's property on which said grass, weeds or inflammable trash has been removed by the city. (Ord. 307 § 1—4, 1944)

8.04.020  Open burning.

A. The burning of combustible materials out of doors within the city of Montpelier shall be permitted in daylight hours only and when prevailing winds are less than ten (10) miles per hour.

B. No major structures including, but not limited to: homes, garages and large outbuildings, or excessive debris from the destruction of such buildings, shall be intentionally burned except that the fire department of the city of Montpelier may do such burning for the purpose of practice under such conditions that are reasonable and prudent.

C. The burning shall not cause any unreasonable discomfort, annoyance or risk to persons or residents of the city of Montpelier.

D. The burning shall be not less than ten (10) feet from the nearest building.

E. All burning shall be continually supervised by a responsible person eighteen (18) years of age or older.

F. Any person burning shall first notify the dispatcher at the Montpelier city police station of the nature of the combustible materials to be burned, the person supervising said burn, the location of the burn and the approximate times when the burn shall take place.

G. The person burning said combustible materials shall be responsible for any and all damages caused by the burning.

H. The rules set forth herein shall not apply to any person burning combustible materials out of doors within the vicinity of Montpelier.
Montpelier for the purpose of preparing edible foods.

I. Any person who fails to notify pursuant to subsection F of this section, shall reimburse the city of Montpelier for all costs of the Montpelier fire department response to the burning.

J. Any person who violates, disobeys, omits, or neglects or refuses to comply with the provisions of this chapter, except subsection F of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall, for each offense, be punished by a fine in any sum not exceeding three hundred dollars ($300.00). (Ord. 496 §§ 1—10, 1983)