



Sanford Town Council

Town Council Meeting Minutes – July 6, 2010

The Sanford Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford Town Hall Annex on Tuesday, July 6, 2010. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Chairman Joseph Hanslip, Vice-Chair Kevin Chabot, Councilor Anne Marie Mastraccio, Councilor Bradford Littlefield, Councilor Alan Walsh and Councilor Richard L. Wilkins. **TOWN MANAGER:** Mark Green **TOWN STAFF:** Diane Sheldon, Director of General Assistance; Charlie Andreson, Director of Public Works and Town Engineer; Eugene Alley, Director of Sanitation; Lyndon Oaks, Transfer Station; Shirley Sheesley, Code Enforcement Officer; Chief Ray Parent, Fire Department; Assistant Chief Jeff Rowe, Fire Department; Peter Cutrer, Fire Marshall; Jim Gulnac, Director of Planning and Community Development; Marcel Blouin, Director of Recreation and Public Property; Lee Burnett, Grant Writer.

Chairman Hanslip called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The session began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence where Chairman Hanslip recognized Mr. Norman Paul for his dedicated service to the State, County and Town of Sanford.

Roll Call: Chairman Hanslip performs the Council Roll Call: Councilor Wilkins, present; Councilor Walsh, present; Councilor Littlefield, present; Councilor Paul, absent w/notice; Councilor Mastraccio, present; Vice-Chair Chabot, present; Chairman Hanslip, present.

Minutes:

Executive Session: June 15, 2010 Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Mastraccio. The Town Council voted to approve 4-0-2, with Councilors Walsh and Wilkins abstaining.

Regular Meeting: June 15, 2010 Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The Town Council voted to approve 5-0-1 with Councilor Walsh abstaining.

Chairman's Reports/Town Council Sub-Committee Reports

Chair Hanslip stated that there will be meetings and workshops scheduled each Tuesday of this month. Executive Session will take place on 7-13-10. A Council Self Eval will follow and then they will schedule the Town Manager's evaluation.

Councilor Littlefield gave a Sub-Committee Report on Economic Growth Council in regards to the Stenton Trust Building.

Town Manager's Report

Town Manager Green reported on the Salt Shed completion and noted that RUBB has been a positive business in this community.

Communications

Eugene Alley, Director of Sanitation and Lyndon Oaks, Transfer Station gave a presentation on Pay as You Throw. Mr. Oaks discussed more specifics on what is recyclable and Mr. Alley discussed where residents can buy bags. Mr. Alley also had a bag to show the audience.

Public Participation

None

Public Hearings

The Town Council will take public comment on the following:

- 1) To discuss a Community Development Block Grant for the Community Enterprise Grant Program in the amount of \$123,000. The funds will be used for the improvements in the Mid Town Mall Stairway. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing open at 7:28p.m. Lee Burnett explained the Grant program and answered questions from the Council. Councilor Wilkins asked who would maintain the stairway; Councilor Walsh asked what the Town costs would be. Maura Herlihy spoke in favor of the grant. There was no one else who spoke for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 7:32p.m.
- 2) To discuss a Community Development Block Grant for the Public Service Grant Program in the amount of \$40,000. The funds will be used by Waban Projects to develop a paper shredding business that will provide jobs for adults with developmental disabilities. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing open at 7:32 p.m. Jim Gulnac, Director of Planning introduced Neil Metzler, Director of Waban Projects who then explained the grant. The money would be used to offset training costs and production during the first year. There was no one else to spoke for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 7:36p.m.
- 3) To accept public comment on a proposed zoning change to add antique stores as a conditionally permitted activity in the Rural Residential Zone, RD, and RMU zones, and as permitted with review in the SB, DB, and CC zones. For the purpose of this activity, an antique "shall be a piece of art, furniture, decorative object, or the like with is at least 30 years of age". Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing open at 7:36 p.m. Jim Gulnac, Director of Planning addressed and explained the zoning changes. He answered questions from the Council. Resident Don Chasse spoke in favor. There was no one else to speak for or against. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing closed at 7:45 p.m.
- 4) To accept public comment on amendments to the Code of the Town of Sanford, Zoning Ordinance Section 280-5 Definitions Mineral Extraction and Section 280-91 Mineral Extraction Standards. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing open at 7:45p.m. Jim Gulnac, Director of Planning described the proposed

changes and answered questions from the council. There was no one to speak for or against. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing closed at 7:47 p.m.

- 5) To accept public comment on amendments to the Code of the Town of Sanford Chapter 91 Fire Prevention code design to bring the Town's Code into conformance with recent changes in State Law. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing open at 7:47 p.m. Shirley Sheesley, Code Enforcement Officer spoke on the impact of the changes, that the Code would change from 2003 to 2009 and the entire State would be under the same uniform code. Chief Parent, Fire Department; described the advantages of adopting the Prevention Code to maintain local jurisdiction. Peter Cutrer, Fire Marshall; spoke on fees. All answered questions from the Council. Councilor Mastraccio and Councilor Walsh recommended that when Chief Parent returns for the second reading he make the following clarifications to help the council in consideration of amendments; narrow the scope on offenders of fire alarms, explain the fire extinguisher fee, give real world examples of "if this happens then this is the result" and show clearly what is added on by the Public Safety Committee and what is mandated. Resident Armand Talbot spoke in favor. No one else spoke for or against. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing closed at 8:27 p.m.

Old Business

- 10-51.05 The Town Council hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance of the Sanford Town Code Article II, section 280-5 and 280-A1. (This item must be read on two separate days, this is the second reading) Councilor Mastraccio moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Chabot. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.

New Business

- 10-75.01 Ordered, to accept a State of Maine Community Enterprise Grant in the amount of \$123,000 for improvements to the Midtown Mall Stairway and to authorize the Town Manager to execute all required paperwork. Councilor Mastraccio moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Chabot. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 10-76.02 Ordered, to accept a State of Maine Pubic Service Grant in the amount of \$40,000 on behalf of Waban Projects to be used to develop a paper shredding business that will provide jobs for adults with developmental disabilities. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Mastraccio. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 10-77.03 The Town Council hereby ordains amendments to the Town Code of the Town of Sanford Zoning Ordinance to add antique stores as a conditionally permitted activity in the Rural Residential zone, RD, and RMU zones, and as permitted with review in the SB, DB, and CC zones. For the purpose of this activity, an antique "shall be a piece of art, furniture, decorative object, or the like which is at least 30 years of age." (This item must be read on two separate days, this is the first reading). No action taken

- 10-78.04 The Town Council hereby ordains amendments to the Town Code of the Town of Sanford, Zoning Ordinance Section 280-5 Definitions Mineral Extraction and Section 280-91 Mineral Extraction Standards. (This item must be read on two separate days, this is the first reading). No action taken
- 10-79.05 The Town Council hereby ordains amendments to the Town Code of the Town of Sanford, Chapter 90, Building Construction and Fire Protection and add Chapter 91, Fire Protection. (This item must be read on two separate days, this is the first reading). No action taken
- 10-80.06 Ordered, to approve a request for proposals for services related to the creation of a Downtown Master Plan and Design of the Midtown Mall Stairway. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Chabot. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 10-81.07 Ordered, to appoint three members to the Sanford Charter Commission. Councilor Littlefield moved to table until 7/20/10, motion was rescinded. Councilor Mastraccio moved to table until a date after the November election, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The Town Council voted 4-2. Councilors Wilkins and Walsh opposed.
- 10-82.08 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between Osprey IV, LLC a subsidiary of Phoenix Renewable Power, LLC and the Town of Sanford to conduct a feasibility study regarding four (4) dams in the confines of the Town of Sanford. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Mastraccio. After discussion the Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 10-83.09 Ordered, to appoint a member to the Maine Municipal Association's Legislative Policy Committee for 2010-2012. Councilor Littlefield moved to appoint John Sylvester, seconded by Councilor Mastraccio. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 10-84.10 Ordered, to approve an application for liquor license renewal for Pat's Pizza, 9 Renaissance Way, Sanford, ME. Councilor Mastraccio moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Wilkins – None

Councilor Walsh – Had a prepared statement to read but will forego to a future meeting date.

Councilor Littlefield – None

Councilor Paul – absent

Councilor Mastraccio – None

Vice-Chair Chabot – Reiterated condolences to the Paul family

Chairman Hanslip – None

Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Chairman Hanslip moved to adjourn at 9:07 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted
Diane Sheldon