



Sanford Town Council

Town Council Meeting Minutes – April 3, 2007

The Sanford Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford Town Hall Annex on Tuesday, April 3, 2007. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Chairperson Anne-Marie Mastraccio, Vice-Chair Joseph Hanslip, Councilor Maura Herlihy, Councilor Gordon Paul, Councilor Bradford J. Littlefield, Councilor Arthur K. Kelly, and Councilor Gary R. Lamb **TOWN MANAGER:** Mark Green. **TOWN STAFF:** Executive Assistant Sherry Lord, Town Treasurer Paula Simpson, Airport Manager Evan McDougal, Grant Writer Lee Burnett, Director of Economic Development Les Stevens and Major Gordon Littlefield.

Chairperson Mastraccio called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

The session began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

Roll Call: Chairperson Mastraccio performs the Council Roll Call: Councilor Lamb, present; Councilor Kelly, present; Council Littlefield, present; Councilor Paul, present; Councilor Herlihy, present; Vice-Chair Hanslip, present; Chairperson Mastraccio, present; Town Manager, Green, present; Executive Assistant, Sherry Lord, present.

Minutes

March 20, 2007 – Regular Meeting: Vice-Chair Hanslip moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve as written.

Chairman's Reports/Town Council Sub-Committee Reports

- Chairperson Mastraccio had the pleasure of attending the Basketball fundraiser for Strategies for a Stronger Sanford. The Sanford Police Department played against the Sanford High School Girls basketball team. The Police Department won the game. Chairperson Mastraccio also recognized two scouts that were present in the audience. Tony Clarke and Chad Diprisco who were working on their communications badge.
- Councilor Littlefield talked about the Economic Development Sub-Committee meeting that was held the week prior. The Sub-Committee talked about transportation issues in certain locations such as the new Wal-Mart / Lowes location.
- Councilor Herlihy updated the Council on the Finance Committee. She provided the Council a spreadsheet of what has been cut to date. There was much discussion at the last Finance Committee meeting regarding Councilors health insurance. Councilor Herlihy read the recommendations from the Finance Committee. Councilor Littlefield read a paragraph from the MMA Memo regarding the age of Council Members as it pertains to the Health Insurance. Councilor Littlefield continued to voice his concerns.

Councilor Lamb voiced his concerns about the responsibilities of the Finance Committee. He suggested that after the budget season both the Council and Finance Committee sit down and work out the issues. Councilor Littlefield spoke of watching the meeting on DVD. He apologized to the Town Staff for the behavior of the Finance Committee at the March 29th meeting. Chairperson Mastraccio talked about the Warrant and having a meeting when the Warrant comes back to the Council to make sure the wording is correct. Councilor Kelly wanted to remind everyone that a lot of good things are going on in the community and feels that it is largely the result of the employees the Town has working for it.

Town Manager's Report

- Town Manager Green informed the Council that he has had contact with the owners of Club Adrenaline and they have complied with the requests that the Council had made at the last meeting. He wanted to let the councilors know things were going well. Town Manager Green advised everyone of the Impact Fee workshop on April 11th at 7:00 in the Chambers. This meeting will be a planning board meeting that the Council is asked to attend. There will be no Tuesday night Council workshop due to the Wednesday night meeting. Town Manager Green spoke of a citizen that attended the last council meeting and addressed issues with Trash on Main Street. Town Manager Green explained that the problem has been fixed short term. The Solid Waste Sub-Committee needs to meet and work out issues in regards to multi unit trash removal. Town Manager Green also spoke of the Art Association Grand opening that will be held on Saturday, April 14th from 2:00pm to 5:00pm. The Art Association has extended the invitation to the Council. Town Manager Green explained that he will be asking the Council to add an item to the Agenda. This item will be for the Business Assistance Grant for Oxford Aviation. He then talked about the Downtown Grant that was awarded to the Town. Lee Burnett addressed the Council and spoke of the people that assisted with the grant application. Councilor Littlefield expressed his thanks to Mr. Burnett for being dedicated to this project. Councilor Herlihy voiced her appreciation and talked about the quality of the grant that was submitted.

Communications

Public Hearings

- 1) An application for license to operate a game of chance (sealed ticket game) for Annual St. Thomas School Spring Fair to be held on April 29, 2007 at the Memorial Gymnasium. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing open at 7:41pm. There was no one to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 7:41pm.
- 2) The Town Council will accept public comment to adopt resolutions authorizing the issuance and delivery of not more than \$670,000 of bonds to finance and reimburse the Town for the cost of improvements to the Sanford Regional Airport to include demolition of the current (former Modern Continental) hangar and construction/reconstruction of the taxiways as approved at the October 3, 2006 Special Town Meeting. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing open at 7:42pm. Treasurer Paula Simpson informed the Council what the bond was for. Airport Manager Evan McDougal talked about the progress on the demolition of the old Navy Hangar. Vice-Chair Hanslip asked what the time frame to tear down the hangar is. Mr. McDougal feels it will be approx. Two weeks after the asbestos is removed to tear down the remains of the hangar. Councilor Littlefield asked if the expenses are in line. Mr. McDougal explained that to date they are under budget.

Public Participation

Old Business

None

New Business

Councilor Littlefield moved to add an item to the Agenda; seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0 to add the agenda item. (The Item will be added and recorded as Agenda Item # 07-55.05).

- 07-51.01 Ordered, to approve an application for license to operate a game of chance (sealed ticket game) for annual St. Thomas School Spring Fair to be held on April 29, 2007 at the Memorial Gymnasium. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 07-52.02 Ordered, to adopt resolutions authorizing the issuance and delivery of not more than \$670,000 of bonds to finance and reimburse the Town for the costs of improvements to the Sanford Regional Airport to include demolition of the current (former Modern Continental) hangar and construction/reconstruction of the taxiways as approved at the October 3, 2006 Special Town meeting. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Lamb. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 07-53.03 Ordered, to authorize the Chief of Police to issue a warrant with names and addresses of all unlicensed dogs to its Animal Control Officer and Police Officers and to send notices of violations to animal owners. Councilor Paul moved to approve seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 07-54.04 Ordered, to appoint a member to the Sanford Sewerage District. Councilor Herlihy moved to discuss; seconded by Councilor Paul. Councilor Paul explained the Sub-Committee recommendation to appoint Stephen Cabana. Councilor Paul moved to appoint Stephen Cabana; seconded by Councilor Lamb. The Town Council voted 7-0 to appoint.
- 07-55.05 Resolved, The Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to submit a Community Development Block Grant – Business Assistance Grant Application in the amount of \$400,000 to the Department of Economic and Community Development on behalf of Oxford Aviation, Sanford Jet Division. Vice-Chair Hanslip moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Paul. Director of Economic Affairs, Les Stevens addressed the Council. Mr. Stevens explained the application process for the grant. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Lamb: noted that he will be late for the April 11th meeting.

Councilor Kelly: Would like to keep the CGA property in the spotlight.

Councilor Littlefield: Encouraged citizens to run for Council in the fall.

Councilor Paul: No report this evening

Councilor Herlihy: No report this evening

Vice-Chairperson Hanslip: No report this evening.

Chairperson Mastraccio: No report this evening.

Future Agenda Items

- Chairperson Mastraccio would like to discuss warrant articles and Bond for the Downtown Grant.

Adjournment

Councilor Herlihy moved to adjourn at 7:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Lord
Executive Assistant to the Town Manager.