



Sanford City Council

City Council Meeting Minutes – January 22, 2013

The Sanford City Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford City Hall Annex on Tuesday, January 22, 2013. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Councilor Alan Walsh, Councilor Bradford J. Littlefield, Councilor Joseph Hanslip, Councilor Richard Wilkins, Councilor Ken Burgess, Councilor Maura Herlihy and Councilor Fred W. Smith. **CITY MANAGER:** Steven R. Buck **CITY STAFF:** Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant, Dana Parry, Airport Manager, Lee Burnett, Grant Writer, James F. Nimon, Sanford Regional Economic Growth Council Director, Marcel Blouin, Director of Recreation, James Gulnac, Director of Planning, Paula Simpson, Town Treasurer/Tax Collector.

Mayor Herlihy called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

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

Roll Call: Mayor Herlihy performs the Council Roll Call: Councilor Smith, present; Councilor Burgess, absent w/notice; Councilor Wilkins, present; Councilor Walsh, present; Councilor Littlefield, present; Deputy Mayor Hanslip, present; Mayor Herlihy, present.

Minutes

Regular Meeting: January 8, 2013; Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Mayor's Reports/City Council Sub-Committee Reports

Mayor Herlihy gave a report

Councilor Littlefield moved to add an item to the agenda to discuss the County Fiscal year budget, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hanslip. The Town Council voted 5-1, motion failed.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Buck gave an update to the Council on various projects around the City. Manager Buck also clarified with an e-mail from the School Business Manager, Scott Wyman budget cuts the school will make due to the cuts in State Funding.

Communications/Presentations

Goodall Brook Study Presentation – (Beth Marass) Hannah Cusack of the Sanford High School explained the project and the study.

Energy Petition – (Tom Cashin) - Lee Burnett endorsed this petition, Rep. William Noon endorsed as well. Jack McAdam of McDougal Orchard spoke of the climate issues that are reflected in his orchard.

Deputy Mayor Hanslip read a sentiment from Senator John Tuttle to the City of Sanford.

Public Participation

None

Public Hearings

The City Council will take public comment on the following:

1. A State of Maine Economic Development Program Grant and closeout for \$200,000 plus local match to New England Truck Tire Centers, Inc. The purpose of this grant was to purchase machinery and equipment for business expansion and job creation. Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing open at 7:42pm. Jim Nimon Executive Director of the Growth Council introduced Mr. John Stevens of New England Truck Tire Centers, Inc. There was no one else to speak for or against. The public hearing was closed at 8:00pm.
2. An application for liquor license renewal for the Sanford Lodge of Elks #1470, 13 Elm Street, Sanford, ME. Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing open at 8:00pm. There was no one to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 8:00pm.
3. A renewal Mental Health & Abuse Clinic License from Counseling Services Inc., 474 Main Street, Sanford, ME. Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing open at 8:00pm. There was no one to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 8:00pm.
4. A renewal Mental Health & Abuse Clinic License from Sweetser, 863 Main Street, Sanford, ME. Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing open at 8:00pm. There was no one to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 8:00pm.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Herlihy sought comment or opposition on the following items. There was neither. The following items were approved.

13-10.01 Ordered, to approve the following license request:

1. An application for liquor license renewal for the Sanford Lodge of Elks #1470, 13 Elm Street, Sanford, ME.
2. An application for blanket letter to operate Games of Chance for Queen of hearts raffle for the Sanford Lodge of Elks #1470, 13 Elm Street, Sanford, ME.
3. A renewal Mental Health & Abuse Clinic License from Counseling Services Inc., 474 Main Street, Sanford, ME.

4. A renewal Mental Health & Abuse Clinic License from Sweetser, 863 Main Street, Sanford, ME.

Old Business

New Business

- 13-11.02 Ordered, to authorize the City Manager to enter into a five-year Operating Rights Agreement with Dash Aviation, LLC. Dana Parry, Airport Manager introduced the agreement. Councilor Walsh opposed this agreement on the basis on payment. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 5-1 to approve. (Councilor Walsh opposed).
- 13-12.03 Ordered, to accept the bid of Bill Dodge Auto Group, of Westbrook, Maine, for the purchase of a 2013 Fleet/Non-Retail GMC Sierra 1500 2WD Reg Cab 119.00" Work Truck T, in the amount of \$18,483.00. Councilor Walsh voiced his concerns. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 13-13.04 Ordered, to appoint four (4) members to the Budget Committee per section 602.1 of the Sanford City Charter. Voiced his concerns with the recommendations of the Budget appointment sub-committee. Deputy Mayor explained the process. Councilor Smith explained how he did his ratings based on the information that was provided. Councilor Walsh moved to approve one appointment at a time, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 6-0.
- Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to appoint Tom Cote, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- Councilor Walsh moved to appoint James Drummey. Motion failed for lack of a second.
- Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to appoint Wesley Davie, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to appoint Mark Lucier, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 5-1 to approve. (Councilor Walsh opposed)
- Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to appoint Robert Stackpole, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 5-1 to approve. (Councilor Walsh Opposed)
- 13-14.05 Ordered, to accept an invitation to become the 11th Member of the Mayor's Coalition advocacy group and to allocate dues for the ensuing 126th Legislative Session. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve,

seconded by Deputy Mayor Hanslip. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

13-15.06 Ordered, to discuss the appointment of a second Council Representative to the Sanford Regional Economic Growth Council pursuant to recently adopted By-Laws. There was much discussion. Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to appoint Maura Herlihy, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. Councilor Walsh moved table and to send to the appointment sub-committee, seconded by Councilor Smith. The Town Council voted 3-3. Motion dies. Councilor Littlefield moved to table until next meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hanslip. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

13-16.07 Ordered, to appoint three (3) members of the City Council to the Budget Committee per section 602.1 of the City Charter. These members will also serve as the CIP and Budget Sub-Committee of the City Council throughout the year. Councilor Walsh moved to appoint Mayor Herlihy, Councilor Burgess and Councilor Littlefield, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hanslip. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

13-17.08 Ordered, to accept and approve the Municipal and School Budget format as presented, per section 602.4 of the Sanford City Charter. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to add a discussion item to the Agenda to discuss the York County Budget, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. Deputy Mayor Hanslip explained the change in the process of the York County Budget from a 12 month Budget process to an 18 month Budget process. Deputy Mayor Hanslip would like to see a letter sent to the County from the City Council to hold off implementation for at least another year. City Manager Buck voiced his opinion to the Council.

Councilor Smith moved to add the agenda item, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to add to the agenda.

13-18.09 Ordered, to authorize the City Manager to send a letter to the County Commissioners representing the wishes of the majority of the City Council in light of the States proposed budget cuts that the York County Commissioners hold off on implementing a fiscal year budget from a calendar year budget. Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Smith: None
Councilor Burgess: absent
Councilor Wilkins: None

Councilor Walsh: Pleased to hear the clarification from the School Business Manager. Would like to see a workshop on the budget. Will not approve any increase over last year's number.
Councilor Littlefield: Will be starting constituent hours on Saturdays. Northland Tour last week
Deputy Mayor Hanslip: None
Mayor Herlihy: Announced council sub-committee appointments.

Future Agenda Items

Citizens' Initiative Policy

Adjournment

Mayor Herlihy moved to adjourn at 9:22pm
Respectfully submitted by
Sherry A. Lord