



Sanford City Council

City Council Meeting Minutes – October 6, 2015

The Sanford City Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford City Hall Annex on Tuesday, October 6, 2015. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Mayor Cote, Deputy Mayor Maura A. Herlihy, Councilor Alan R. Walsh, Councilor Richard L. Wilkins, Councilor Fred W. Smith and Councilor Victor E. DiGregorio. **CITY MANAGER:** Steven R. Buck **CITY STAFF:** Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant; James F. Nimon, Director of SREGC; Randy White, Director of General Assistance.

Mayor Cote called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

The session began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. Asked for prayers for a City employee that had surgery earlier this week.

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

Minutes

Executive Session: September 22, 2015; Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve

Regular Meeting: September 22, 2015; Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Deputy Mayor Herlihy. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Mayor's Reports/City Council Sub-Committee Reports

Mayor Cote met with Nicole Ivy earlier this week. He wanted to let the citizens know that there will be a Community Forum on Opiate addiction meeting in the City Council Chambers on Tuesday, October 13th from 3:00 to 5:00pm.

Councilor Smith gave an update of the property maintenance issues from the Zoning & Public Safety Sub-Committee. Beginning October 15th the committee will work with code enforcement to get a list of properties we are going to address.

City Manager's Report

See attached

Communications/Presentations

Sanford Broadband Update – City Manager Buck gave a presentation to the Council.

Sanford High School Project Update- City Manager Buck gave a presentation to the Council

Public Participation

Public Hearings

The City Council will take public comment on the following:

1. A public hearing for the proposed changes to the City of Sanford General Assistance Ordinance. Mayor Cote declared the public hearing open at 8:15pm. Randy White, Director of General Assistance explained the changes to the ordinance. There was no one else to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 8:20pm.
2. A public hearing for the purpose of deciding whether or not to discontinue, pursuant to the provisions of 23 M.R.S.A. § 3026, the unbuilt portion of the public way known as Witham Street, and to determine what damages, if any should be paid to property owners abutting such way if it is discontinued. Mayor Cote declared the public hearing open at 8:20pm. City Manager Buck explained the reason and the need for this discontinuance. City Manager Buck noted that the City is not giving up the right of way for utilities or public access. Dianne Connolly asked if the trail ran through this property. City Manager Buck said no. Councilor Wilkins stated that used to be the public works garage and that piece of road is City owned Land. There was no one else to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 8:24pm.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Cote sought comments or concerns regarding the following items. There were no comments or concerns. Consent agenda items were approved.

15-121.01 Ordered, to approve the following license request:

1. An application for approval for blanket letter (4 additional Sealed Ticket Games) for the Wolves Social Club, 40 High Street, Sanford, ME.

Old Business

New Business

15-122.02 Ordered, to accept a bid from Beta Group Inc., of Manchester, NH for Roadway Systems Management Inventory and Software for the implementation of a Pavement Management System in the amount of \$58,500.00. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Walsh stated the property sub-committee met and reviewed this bid and they are recommending this purchase as it is essential to roadway maintenance. Matt Hill, Director of Public Works addressed the Council and reiterated what Councilor Walsh stated. The City Council voted

6-0 to approve.

- 15-123.03 Ordered, to affirm the purchase of a 2006 Tenco Snow blower from Sheehan Mack Sales of Sioux Falls, South Dakota in the amount of \$55,000.00. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Walsh explained the amendments that the City Council approved giving the Property Sub-Committee the authority to purchase equipment with the affirmation to be brought back to the full Council. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 15-124.04 Ordered, that pursuant to the provisions of 23 M.R.S.A. § 3026, the City of Sanford does hereby discontinue and terminate all its interests in that unbuilt portion of the way known as Witham Street. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 15-125.05 The City Council hereby ordains amendments to the City of Sanford General Assistance Ordinance. (This item must be read on two separate days. This is the first reading).

Council Member Comments

Councilor DiGregorio: None

Councilor Smith: Received a phone call praising the DPW for the great job they are doing maintaining the roads.

Councilor Wilkins: None

Councilor Walsh: None

Councilor Hanslip: Absent

Deputy Mayor Herlihy: Congratulated former Councilor Kevin Chabot on his promotion to Lieutenant.

Mayor Cote: Thanked the Council for the positive meeting tonight.

Future Agenda Items

Non Profit Funding – Councilor Walsh

Adjournment

Mayor Cote moved to adjourn regular meeting at 8:44 pm
Respectfully submitted by Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant