



# Sanford City Council

City Council Meeting Minutes – November 12, 2013

The Sanford City Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford City Hall Annex on Tuesday, November 12, 2013. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Councilor Alan Walsh, Councilor Bradford J. Littlefield, Councilor Joseph Hanslip, Councilor Richard Wilkins, Councilor Maura Herlihy and Councilor Fred W. Smith. **CITY MANAGER:** Steven R. Buck **CITY STAFF:** Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant; Charlie Andreson; Director of Public Works; Jim Gulnac; Planning Director and Michael Casserly, City Engineer.

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

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, present; Councilor Wilkins, present; Councilor Walsh, present; Councilor Littlefield, present; Deputy Mayor Hanslip, present; Mayor Herlihy, present.

## Minutes

Regular Meeting: October 29, 2013; Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hanslip. The City Council voted 7-0

## Mayor's Reports/City Council Sub-Committee Reports

Update on school construction process for all committee members at 7:00pm

## City Manager's Report

## Communications/Presentations

## Public Participation

Laura Crocket of Sanford had questions regarding 37 River Street and the process.

Jim Drummey of Springvale, voiced his concerns regarding WSSR-TV. A lot of people still cannot get Channel 26. Also, people were complaining at the voting poles regarding the Charter Changes, they didn't understand them.

## Public Hearings

The City Council will hold public hearings on the following:

1. The continuance of the Ordinance entitled Petition for Overrule of Actions of the Council Chapter 105 Section 1-1302. This public hearing is continued from the October 29<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. Jim Drummey voiced his concerns and opinions regarding Sections 1301 and 1302. Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing closed at 7:16pm.

## **Consent Agenda**

### **Old Business**

- 13-188.02 Ordered, to accept the continuance of the Ordinance entitled Petition for Overrule of Actions of the Council Chapter 105 Section 1-1302. (This item must be read on two separate days. This is the second reading). Councilor Walsh voiced his opinion regarding the changes to the ordinance. Councilor Walsh moved to table but allowed fellow Councilors to speak. Councilor Littlefield addressed the concerns. Councilor Walsh moved to table, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 3-4, Motion Failed. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hanslip. Councilor Walsh moved to amend the motion to remove the suspension to action, seconded by Councilor Burgess. The Council voted 4-3 to approve the amendment. The City Council voted 7-0 on the original motion.

### **New Business**

- 13-189.01 Ordered, to authorize an addendum to the demolition bid for 37 River Street to account for additional asbestos containing materials. City Manager Buck explained the process. Councilor Walsh moved to authorize \$81,800.00 for the demolition of 37 River Street to be debited against GL 2116-500600, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Smith voiced his concerns regarding the unsafe building. Councilor Burgess voiced his opposition to spending funds for this building. Councilor Littlefield voiced his opinion on why it is not a good idea to keep the building as is. Dianne Connolly voiced her opinion and opposition regarding the demolition. Ruth Bettinger voiced her opinion regarding finishing the project. The City Council voted 6-1 to approve. Councilor Burgess opposed.
- 13-190.02 Ordered, to authorize the sale of tax acquired property Map 36 Lots 42, 42A, 43, 38E and Map R11 Lot 75A. Councilor Walsh moved to authorize the sale of tax acquired property as listed in the amount of \$14,500.00, (title insurance, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.

### **Council Member Comments**

Councilor Smith: None

Councilor Burgess: Voiced his concerns with businesses moving out of the City due to road blocks and barriers in the City.

Councilor Wilkins: None

Councilor Walsh: Voiced his concerns and frustrations with negativity

Councilor Littlefield: None

Deputy Mayor Hanslip: None

Mayor Herlihy: Tuesday November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

### **Future Agenda Items**

Councilor Burgess – Leaf pick-up and issues

Councilor Littlefield – re-vote of section 1302

### **Adjournment**

Mayor Herlihy moved to adjourn at 8:04pm

Respectfully submitted by

Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant