



Sanford City Council

City Council Meeting Minutes – February 3, 2015

The Sanford City Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford City Hall Annex on Tuesday, February 3, 2015. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Councilor Thomas P. Cote, Councilor Maura A. Herlihy, Councilor Joseph Hanslip, 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; Steven Benotti, Fire Chief; Steven Cotter, Assistant Fire Chief; Allison Rogers, Airport Manager, James F. Nimon, SREGC Director

Mayor Cote called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

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

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

Minutes

Regular Meeting: January 20, 2015; Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Deputy Mayor Herlihy. The City Council voted 5-0-1 (Councilor Wilkins absent at time of vote).

Mayor's Reports/City Council Sub-Committee Reports

Mayor Cote urged citizen to call the Department of Public Works if they are having an issue with snow.

Councilor Smith reported from the Zoning and Public Safety Committee regarding problem properties in the City. A number of properties were reviewed with Code Enforcement Officer, Shirley Sheesley at the last sub-committee meeting. The sub-committee is not yet ready to bring anything forward to the full Council but, progress is being made.

City Manager's Report

See Attached

Communications/Presentations

Sanford Regional Economic Growth Council – Microenterprise Grant Awards
James F. Nimon gave a brief introduction of the process and introduced the grant recipients as follows:

- Rugged Sound - Ricky Dunton
- Cannons at Noon Family Sheep Farm - Lana and Sara Cannon & Jean Noon
- Emily's Wood Fired Pizza -Mike Petersen

- Neo Phoenix Studios - Andrew Bard

Public Participation

Public Hearings

The City Council will take public comment on the following:

1. An application for liquor license renewal for the Springvale, Publick House, 481 Main Street, Springvale, ME. Mayor Cote declared the public hearing open at 7:38pm. There was no one to speak for or against. The public hearing was closed at 7:38pm

Consent Agenda

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

15-19.01 Ordered, to approve the following license request:

1. An application for liquor license renewal for the Springvale, Publick House, 481 Main Street, Springvale, ME.

Old Business

New Business

15-20.02 Ordered, to authorize the collection of Airport Sign Fees at the Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport. Deputy Mayor Herlihy moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Allison Rogers, Airport Manager explained the reason for the fees. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

15-21.03 Ordered, to accept a grant from FM Global – Fire Prevention Grants in the amount of \$2,173.00 to purchase 5 iPads for the Sanford Fire Department. There is no City match for this grant. Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

15-22.04 Ordered, to accept a grant from State Farm Insurance “Good Neighbor Citizen Grant” in the amount of \$15,000.00 to purchase a fire extinguisher simulator for the Sanford Fire Department. There is no City match for this grant. Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Fire Chief Benotti explained exactly what the equipment is for. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Council Member Comments

Councilor DiGregorio: Encourage other Councilors to get business cards.

Councilor Smith: asked citizens to be patient with the public works crew as they have been working around the clock during the last week or so.

Councilor Wilkins: None

Councilor Walsh: absent

Councilor Hanslip: Offered condolences to the family of Jane Webb, the wife of former Town Administrator Jack Webb.

Deputy Mayor Herlihy: be patient with neighbors and snow.

Mayor Cote: spoke of the State budget and how it affects Sanford. Gave Kudos to the City Manager for bringing the safety officials together to discuss the blizzard and coordinating efforts to keep the City safe during the storm.

Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Mayor Cote moved to adjourn regular meeting at 7:52pm

Respectfully submitted by Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant