



# Sanford City Council

City Council Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2013

The Sanford City Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford City Hall Annex on Tuesday, March 19, 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, Paula Simpson, Treasurer/Tax collector, Charlie Andreson, Public Works, and Jim Gulnac, Planning Director.

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: March 5, 2013 – Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The city Council vote 7-0 to approve.

Council/Budget Public Hearing: February 21, 2013 Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0-1 to approve. (Councilor Walsh was absent)

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

Mayor Herlihy gave an update of meetings she has attended including going to Augusta with City Manager Buck and gave testimony about the tax shifts and how it would affect the City of Sanford.

Councilor Walsh gave an update from the Property sub-committee

Councilor Littlefield announced the last recycling forum will be next Monday at Southern Maine Aviation.

## City Manager's Report

Please see attached report from City Manager Buck

## **Communications/Presentations**

Lavallee-Brensinger – Lance Whitehead (postponed until 4/2)

Trails Committee – Hazen Carpenter & David Parent- Gave presentation of the trails system. Spoke of Haven Cove and issues with access. Asked the City to enforce this right of way.

## **Public Participation**

Charlie Plante – spoke about PAYT and that he feels that is the right program for the City. He is not in favor of “More in Return”.

Hazen Carpenter – First Weekend in June is National Trails Day. Events will be on the First Saturday in June. 8:00am beginning at the YMCA.

Steve Bruno – spoke in favor of the trail system in Sanford/Springvale. Trails committee do a great job of keeping it maintained. It is very well utilized and is an asset to the City. Mr. Bruno also asked questions regarding the School Budget and the Transfer Station.

## **Public Hearings**

The City Council will take public comment on the following:

1. An application for liquor license renewal for the American Legion Post #19, 656 Main Street, Springvale, ME. Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing open at 7:49pm. There was no one to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 7:49pm.
2. A public hearing on a second amendment to the previously designated Flemish Master Weavers Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District and to the related development program. Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing open at 7:50pm. Jim Nimon, Growth Council Director explained the TIF Amendment and gave a brief presentation to the City Council. Johan Moulin, President of Flemish Master Weaver addressed the Council and spoke about the growth of the company in the last 5 years. Councilor Walsh spoke in favor of this amendment. There was no one else to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 8:03pm.

## **Consent Agenda**

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

1. Ordered, to approve and application for liquor license renewal for the American Legion Post #19, 656 Main Street, Springvale, ME.

2. Ordered, to approve an application for blanket letter for Card Playing for AMVETS Post #3, 169 School Street, Sanford, ME.

### **Old Business**

- 13-32.02 Order, to accept the proposed 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). There was much discussion. Councilor Littlefield read a letter from Judy Gibbs, former Charter Commission member. Mr. Stackpole, former Chairman of the Charter Commission addressed the Council and discussed the article he wrote for the paper. Charlie Plante addressed the Council with concerns. Councilor Walsh moved to accept the proposed amendment to include the sunset clause and to be put to referendum in November, seconded by Councilor Burgess. Councilor Littlefield moved to amend striking the 10 day rule to 14 days, seconded by Councilor Burgess. The City Council voted on the second amendment 4-3. The City Council voted on the second amendment and the 14 day 6-1. The City Council voted 6-1. \*Attachments letters from Judith Gibbs and Jonathan Mapes\*

### **New Business**

- 13-43.02 Ordered, to accept a resignation from Joseph Doiron from the Sanford Housing Authority Board of Directors. Councilor Littlefield moved to accept with regret, seconded by Councilor Walsh. The City Council vote 7-0 to approve.
- 13-44.03 Ordered, to authorize the New England Aerobatic Club the opportunity to practice at Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport on Saturday, June 1 and Saturday, June 29 with Saturday, July 20 as the alternate date. Deputy Mayor Hanslip moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Walsh. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 13-45.04 Ordered, to authorize the City Manager to enter into a new five (5) year Operating Rights Agreement with Atlas Aero. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 13-46.05 Ordered, to approve amendment #2 to the Flemish Master Weaver Tax Increment Financing District and to the related development program. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 13-47-06 The City Council of the City of Sanford hereby proclaims the first weekend in June as Sanford Trails Day. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.

- 13-48-07 The City Council of the City of Sanford hereby proclaims April 1<sup>st</sup> thru April 6<sup>th</sup> 2013 as National Community Development week. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 13-49.08 Ordered, to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Municipal/State Agreement for the proposed improvements to Route 109 in Sanford/Springvale. Councilor Wilkins moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Charlie Andreson, Public Works Director explained. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve. Councilor Burgess had to leave before this vote.
- 13-50.09 Ordered to issue a Construction Over limit Permit for pending MDOT construction on Route 4/Alfred Street Project No. 018330.00/019272.00. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 13-51.10 Ordered, to receive, from the City Treasurer, tax acquired property due to maturity of 2010/2011 real estate tax liens. Councilor Walsh moved to receive the following tax acquired properties due to maturity of 2010/2011 real estate tax liens: Tax Map J30 lot 30, Tax Map J33 Lot 40, Tax Map K16 Lot 23, Tax Map K28 Lot 2 and Tax Map R18 Lot 6, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Paula Simpson, City Treasurer explained. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 13-52.11 Ordered, to authorize the City Manager to put the following City owned properties out to public bid: Councilor Walsh moved to approve and set a minimum bid for any past taxes or sewer liens, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Walsh explained the Property Sub-Committees recommendation. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
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| Tax Map K16 Lot 23 | 17 Butler Street, Springvale |
| Tax Map K28 Lot 2  | 6 Lebanon Street, Sanford    |
| Tax Map J13 Lot 31 | Fenway Ave, Springvale       |
| Tax Map J16 Lot 15 | 7 Allen Street, Springvale   |
| Tax Map R7 Lot 15C | 25 Havlina Lane, Sanford     |
| Tax Map J30 Lot 30 | 19 Bodwell Street, Sanford   |
- 13-53.12 Ordered, to authorize the City manager to send written notice, certified mail, return receipt requested, to the immediate prior owner of property identified as the following Tax Map and Lot numbers, demanding payment of all outstanding taxes, interest and other charges owing to the City of Sanford, no later than April 24, 2013 or the City will put the property out to public bid. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Tax Map J33 Lot 30	117 School Street, Sanford
Tax Map R18 Lot 6	102 Country Club Rd #2
Tax Map R16 Lot 63A	628 New Dam Road
Tax Map K34 Lot 54	0 Vermont Street
Tax Map J27 Lot 3	0 Stackpole Court
Tax Map I29 Lot 64A	2 Bougie Lane
Tax Map R19 Lot 33A	0 Kennebunk Road

### **Council Member Comments**

Councilor Smith: None

Councilor Burgess: None

Councilor Wilkins: None

Councilor Walsh: Thanked FMW for continued work in Sanford

Councilor Littlefield: None

Deputy Mayor Hanslip: None

Mayor Herlihy: Mentioned the voice and asked that anyone that had difficulty email Nate Shaw at [nshaw@sanford.org](mailto:nshaw@sanford.org) with any issues.

### **Future Agenda Items**

### **Adjournment**

Mayor Herlihy moved to adjourn at 9:20pm

Respectfully submitted by

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