



Sanford Town Council

Town Council Meeting Minutes –October 16, 2007

The Sanford Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford Town Hall Annex on Tuesday, October 16, 2007. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Chairperson Anne-Marie Mastraccio, Councilor Maura Herlihy, Councilor Bradford J. Littlefield, Councilor Gordon N. Paul, and Councilor Kevin J. Chabot. **TOWN MANAGER:** Mark Green. **TOWN STAFF:** Director of Public Works & Town Engineer Charlie Andreson, Airport Manager Evan McDougal

Chairperson Mastraccio called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

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

Roll Call: Chairperson Mastraccio performs the Council Roll Call: Councilor Lamb, absent w/notice; Councilor Chabot, present; Council Littlefield, present; Councilor Paul, Present; Councilor Herlihy, present; Vice-Chair Hanslip, present; Chairperson Mastraccio, present; Town Manager, Green, present; Executive Assistant, Sherry Lord, present.

Minutes

Chairman's Reports/Town Council Sub-Committee Reports

Town Manager's Report

- Town Manager Green announced that absentee ballots are available in the Town Clerks office.
- 2008 Dog licenses are available in the Town Clerks office
- Tuesday, October 23rd there will be a housing workshop in the Council Chambers at 7:00pm.

Communications

None

Public Hearings

Public Participation

Old Business

New Business

- 07-152.01 Ordered, to accept a three year bid from L.V. Allen & Sons for the snowplowing of the Western Rural section of Sanford/Springvale. Councilor Paul moved to discuss, seconded by Councilor Herlihy. Charlie Andreson explained that this is approximately a 3% increase from the previous contract. Councilor Herlihy would like to see language in the contract in regards to being current on personal property taxes. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Vice Chair Hanslip. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve the motion with the reference to personal property taxes included.
- 07-153.02 Ordered, to authorize York County Community Action Corporation to install an information kiosk for the Shoreline Explorer Shuttle bus service located in the School Street Parking lot facing Mousam Street. Councilor Paul moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Herlihy. Charlie Andreson explained reason for request. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 07-154.03 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a land lease agreement at the Sanford Regional Airport with Two Guys Realty. Councilor Littlefield moved to discuss, seconded by Councilor Paul. Airport Manager Evan McDougal explained the lease. Councilor Herlihy moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 07-155.04 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a Fixed Base Operator lease and operating rights agreement at the Sanford Regional Airport with Southern Maine Aviation. Councilor Herlihy moved to discuss, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. Evan McDougal gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation to the Council. He introduced Jim Knowles – Owner of Southern Maine Aviation and Mark Damuth. Evan McDougal discussed the problems with the underground tank and fuel farm. The Tanks have been locked since July 1, 07. Jim Knowles addressed the Council. Vice Chair Hanslip moved to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a Fixed Base Operator lease and operating rights agreement at the Sanford Regional Airport with Southern Maine Aviation, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 07-156.05 Ordered, to discuss a policy on “Toll Booths”. Councilor Littlefield moved to discuss, seconded by Councilor Herlihy. Councilor Littlefield supports putting restrictions on toll booths although he is not in favor of eliminating them. Councilor Chabot is not in favor of banning toll booths. Councilor Paul is not in favor of continuing with toll booths as he feels it is a liability to the Town; he believes that there are other ways for organizations to raise funds. Vice Chair Hanslip feels that it is dangerous for people to be in the roadway and suggests phasing out toll booths over a period of time. Councilor Herlihy suggested limiting toll booths to catastrophic events. Councilor Herlihy then moved to phase out toll booths by December 31, 2009, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Council voted 4-2 (with Chairperson Mastraccio and Councilor Paul opposed). Councilor Chabot moved to amend the motion, adding “with the exception of a maximum 1-2 toll booths per year to raise funds for special circumstances to be approved by the Council”, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 5-1 (Councilor Paul opposed) to approve the amendment.

- 07-157.06 Ordered, to authorize the Board of Directors of the Louis B. Goodall Memorial Library to hold a Toll Booth Fundraiser on Saturday, October 20, 2007 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Councilor Herlihy moved to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Hanslip. The Town Council voted 4-2 (Chairperson Mastraccio and Councilor Paul opposed) to approve.
- 07-158.07 Ordered, to direct the Town Attorney to write an ordinance that establishes standards for e-mail correspondence among elected officials. Councilor Paul moved to discuss, seconded by Councilor Herlihy. Councilor Paul asked if this request covers the freedom of Information act. Councilor Herlihy stated that it would cover elected and appointed officials. Councilor Herlihy suggests that the requests should be requested through a centralized location, possibly the Town Clerk. Vice-Chair Hanslip feels that policy should not be discussed among e-mails but only in an open forum. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Herlihy. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 07-159.08 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to issue a request for proposal for the sale of the Hawthorne School property. Councilor Herlihy moved to discuss, seconded by Councilor Paul. Town Manager Green explained the RFP to the Council. Councilor Herlihy moved to authorize the Town Manager to issue a request for proposal for the sale of the Hawthorne School Property, seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 07-160.09 Ordered, to discuss the creation of an ordinance regulating the residency of persons convicted of sex crimes. Councilor Littlefield feels that the Town of Sanford should create an ordinance. Town Manager Green explained that he is hoping for state level action. He feels that this issue would be a good item for the November 3rd Hot Stove meeting. Vice-Chair Hanslip feels that this is a state issue and if the Town of Sanford does adopt an ordinance it needs to be enforceable by the Sanford Police Department. Armand Talbot said there is a list of communities that have adopted ordinances. The consensus was to discuss the issue once again with our legislatures before proceeding to the creation of an ordinance.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Lamb: Absent

Councilor Chabot: He will be absent on 10/30, he has enjoyed working with Councilor Lamb.

Councilor Littlefield: The Town Clock will be erected on October 24th or 25th.

Councilor Paul: Requested information from Town Manager in regards to the dumping that has been happening at the Jagger Mills and was satisfied with the information received.

Councilor Herlihy: no comment

Vice-Chairperson Hanslip: Congratulated winners of the Associated Press awards.

Chairperson Mastraccio: Voiced concerns with Cross Walks.

Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Councilor Paul moved to adjourn at 9:16 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sherry Lord
Executive Assistant to the Town Manager