



Sanford Town Council

Town Council Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2007

The Sanford Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford Town Hall Annex on Tuesday, March 20, 2007. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Chairperson Anne-Marie Mastraccio, Vice-Chair Joseph Hanslip, Councilor Maura Herlihy, Councilor Gordon Paul, Councilor Bradford J. Littlefield, Councilor Arthur K. Kelly, and Councilor Gary R. Lamb **TOWN MANAGER:** Mark Green. **TOWN STAFF:** Executive Assistant Sherry Lord, Director of Recreation & Public Property Marcel Blouin, Police Chief Tom Jones, Sergeant Craig Sanford, Town Treasurer Paula Simpson and Airport Manager Evan McDougal.

Chairperson Mastraccio called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

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, present; Councilor Kelly, 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

March 6, 2007 – Regular Meeting: Councilor Herlihy moved to approve as amended, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve as amended.

Chairman's Reports/Town Council Sub-Committee Reports

- Councilor Herlihy gave the Council an update on the progress of the Finance Committee. A public hearing was held on March 15th followed by continued work on the Municipal Budget. There are a few members of the committee that feel it is time to obtain quotes from insurance companies.
- Councilor Littlefield asked for an Economic Development Sub-Committee meeting.

Town Manager's Report

- Town Manager Green wanted to remind everyone that anyone who has a homestead exemption or Veterans exemption application the deadline is April 1st. Any applications received after the April 1st deadline will not take effect until next year. All Maine residents that have owned their homes within the last 12 months are eligible for the Homestead Exemption.

- Finally heard from the court regarding Montreal Street. The Town received the ok to demolish it. The attorney's advice is not to do anything with the property for 30 days. After which the Property Sub-committee will review options on what to do with the property.
- The Town received 39 applications for the Chief of Police position. The committee has met and picked 8-9 applicants to interview. He would like to have someone in place by the end of May when Chief Jones retires.
- Progress on the CGA site; the Town had many discussions with the EPA and DEP who were both very helpful. Town Manager Green identified the owner as Mr. Depietro. He is talking with the Town. He is not interested in letting the Town on the site.

Communications

Public Hearings

- 1) An application for a special amusement license and dance permit for Southern Maine Entertainment DBA: Club Adrenaline located at 890 Main Street, Sanford. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing open at 7:14pm. Tom Goulet from Club Adrenaline showed some before and after pictures of the club when they purchased the club. Mr. Goulet explained what they have done to improve the club since they opened in December 2006. Councilor Kelly spoke about the presentation that the owners made to the Council when they applied for their permits and licenses. Councilor Kelly spoke of the job fairs, business seminars etc. he wanted to know if they have done any of those things since December. Councilor Littlefield asked Mr. Goulet to address the Special Amusement Permit. Mr. Goulet then asked William Proper (General Manager) to speak of the Special Amusement Permit. Mr. Proper talked about the changes that have been made such as the dismissal of the head bartender and DJ. Police Chief Tom Jones spoke of background checks that have been done on employees and owners of the club. Chief Jones feels that at this point he feels there are no red flags. Armand Talbot feels it would be nice to see a nice club in Sanford. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing closed at 7:30pm.
- 2) An application for liquor license renewal for American Legion TW Cole Post #19, 656 Main Street, Springvale. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing open at 7:30pm. There was no one to speak for or against. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing closed at 7:30pm.
- 3) An application for liquor license renewal for David Bouldry DBA: At the Turn, 588 Country Club Road, Sanford. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing open at 7:30pm. There was no one to speak for or against. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing closed at 7:31pm.

Public Participation

Marsha Caron – wanted to thank the Public Works department for the outstanding job they have done this winter plowing. Ms. Caron proceeded to speak about 836 Main Street. There is an issue with trash from this building. She spoke of trash on the sidewalk, so bad that you have to walk out into the street to get around it. She feels it has become a health issue. Ms. Caron believes there should be a dumpster placed at this location. Town Manager Green has talked to the owner and he thought the issue was resolved. The owner of the building assured him that he would take care of it. Councilor Herlihy mentioned changing the ordinance. She feels that the landlords need to provide a dumpster or location in the building to store their trash until the pick up day. Councilor

Lamb spoke of the Property Maintenance code as well as a dumpster policy. The Town Manager will investigate further and report back to the Town Council.

Old Business

None

New Business

07-40.01 Ordered, to approve an application for a special amusement license and a dance permit for Southern Maine Entertainment D/B/A: Club Adrenaline located at 890 Main Street, Sanford. Councilor Paul moved to discuss; seconded by Councilor Herlihy. Councilor Littlefield spoke of the memo from Town Manager Green listing options the Council had in regards to approving the permits. Councilor Lamb addressed what he felt the club's issues are and listed what he felt were positives and negatives about the club. Councilor Kelly wanted to review what the Special Amusement Permit is. Town Manager Green gave an overview of the permit. It allows dancing and music in an establishment that provides alcohol. Town Manager Green listed the Council's options. Vice-Chair Hanslip asked Mr. Proper his background experience and credentials as a general manager. Mr. Proper explained his work history and certifications. Vice-Chair Hanslip asked the head bartender what his credentials and experience has been. Troy Tarmey, head bartender explained his work history. Councilor Littlefield voiced his concerns about TIPS training. Councilor Herlihy moved to approve with conditions; seconded by Vice-Chair Hanslip. Conditions are as follows:

- a) Install lighting at the front of the building to the satisfaction of the Chief of Police.
- b) Allow Officers to walk through the premises at their discretion.
- c) Limit parking immediately in front of the building.
- d) Maintain video tapes of the previous 30 days of operation and allow Town representatives to view these tapes upon request.
- e) Revocation in 90 days – last meeting in June (if conditions are not complied with)

The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

07-41.02 Ordered, to approve an application for liquor license renewal for American Legion TW Cole Post #19, 656 Main Street, Springvale. Vice-Chair Hanslip moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

07-42.03 Ordered, to approve an application for liquor license renewal for David Bouldry D/B/A: At the Turn, 588 Country Club Road, Sanford. Councilor Paul moved to approve; Seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

07-43.04 Ordered, to receive, from the Town Treasurer, one tax acquired property due to maturity of a 2004/2005 real estate tax lien. Town Treasurer Paula Simpson addressed the Council. Councilor Herlihy mentioned that the Sub-Committee has met and approved the plan. Councilor Littlefield mentioned that this is only the trailer and not the land. Councilor Littlefield moved to receive the tax acquired property; seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0.

- 07-44.05 Ordered, to discuss and take action on either retaining the Town foreclosed mobile home identified as Tax Map R12 Lot 90A Sub Lot 39 or allowing the Town Treasurer to work with the mobile home park to have the unit demolished. Councilor Littlefield moved to allow the Town Treasurer to work with the mobile home park to have the unit demolished; seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0.
- 07-45.06 Ordered, to authorize the Sanford/Springvale Chamber of Commerce to purchase a Town Clock to be placed in front of Town Hall. Councilor Paul moved to approve the placement of the clock; seconded by Vice-Chair Hanslip. Faith Ballenger from the Chamber of Commerce addressed the Council. Ms. Ballenger explained how the location of the clock was determined and how it would be funded by the William Oscar Emery trust fund. A sum of \$30,000 would help purchase the clock and fix the surrounding landscape. The Town Council voted 7-0 to authorize the placement of the clock.
- 07-46.07 Ordered, to authorize the Director of Recreation & Public Property to schedule the Portland Symphony Orchestra to perform on July 2, 2007 in Goodall Park. Director of Parks & Recreation Marcel Blouin addressed the Council. Mr. Blouin explained the seating arrangements and ticket pricing. This will be a rain or shine event. Councilor Lamb moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 07-47.08 Ordered, to approve the RFP for the East Ramp FBO at the Sanford Regional Airport. Airport Manager Evan McDougal addressed the Council explaining the reasoning for the request for RFP. Councilor Kelly asked about the restaurant being added with the RFP. Mr. McDougal explained that the restaurant is an option in the RFP. Chairperson Mastraccio explained that ultimately the Council will have the final decision in regards to the restaurant. Councilor Kelly noted that it is a priority to get the best FBO in the location. Vice-Chair Hanslip voiced his concerns regarding the restaurant; he feels it is important to keep the restaurant. Mr. Armand Talbot feels the restaurant brings in a lot of pilots into the airport. Councilor Paul moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 07-48.09 Ordered, to adopt the Airport Parking Policy at the Sanford Regional Airport. Councilor Paul moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Herlihy. Airport Manager Evan McDougal explained the proposed parking policy for the Airport. The Town Council Voted 7-0 to approve.
- 07-49.10 Ordered, to accept the Chairs Sub-Committee Appointments. Councilor Paul moved to accept; seconded by Vice-Chair Hanslip. Addition to the Sub-Committees will be a Public Safety Committee that will consist of Councilor Gordon Paul and Vice-Chairperson Joseph Hanslip. Deleted from the Sub-Committees will be External Agencies. The Town Council voted 7-0 to accept.
- 07-50.11 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to sign a deed for property identified on the Assessor's tax maps as Lot I29-21. Town Manager Green explained what the property is. Councilor Littlefield moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Herlihy. Town Manager Green wanted to note that the land is only big enough to park a car. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Kelly: No report this evening

Councilor Littlefield: No report this evening

Councilor Paul: No report this evening

Councilor Herlihy: No report this evening

Vice-Chairperson Hanslip: No report this evening.

Chairperson Mastraccio: No report this evening.

Future Agenda Items

- Vice-Chair Hanslip would like to place an agenda item on the last agenda in June for the revocation of the special amusement license for Club Adrenaline.
- Councilor Kelly would like to keep the CGA Property in the spot light
- Councilor Littlefield would like to address the overtime issues in the police department and review insurance issues.
- Chairperson Mastraccio wanted to let everyone know that next Tuesday, March 27th at 7:00pm GrowSmart Maine will be doing a presentation on the Brookings report. It will be held in the Council Chambers.

Adjournment

Councilor Littlefield moved to adjourn at 9:10pm; seconded by Vice-Chair Hanslip.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Lord
Executive Assistant to the Town Manager.