



# Sanford Town Council

Town Council Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2007

The Town of Sanford Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford Town Hall Annex on Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Chairperson Anne-Marie Mastraccio, Vice-Chairman Joseph R. Hanslip, Councilor Maura A. Herlihy, Councilor Gordon N. Paul, Councilor Bradford J. Littlefield, Councilor Gary R. Lamb and Councilor Kevin Chabot. **TOWN STAFF:** Director of Personnel and Human Resources Jason Cole, Director of Planning James Gulnac, Director of Parks and Recreation Marcel Blouin and Deputy Public Works Director Eugene Alley. **TOWN MANAGER:** Mark Green.

Chairperson Mastraccio called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

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

**Roll Call:** Chairperson Mastraccio performs the Council Roll Call: Councilor Chabot, present; Councilor Lamb, present; Councilor Littlefield, present; Councilor Paul, present; Councilor Herlihy, present; Vice-Chairman Hanslip, present and Chairperson Mastraccio, present.

## **Minutes**

Regular Meeting: July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007: Chairperson Mastraccio makes corrections on item 07-87.05. The change would be on the 6<sup>th</sup> line, change to he also states that the light is now adequate. Councilor Lamb seconded as amended. The Town Council voted 6-0-1, with Councilor Chabot abstaining as he was not a member of the Council during that meeting.

Regular Meeting: June 26<sup>th</sup>: Councilor Herlihy makes a motion to approve as written, seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 6-0-1, with Councilor Chabot abstaining as he was not a member of the Council during that meeting.

**Sub Committee Reports:** None this evening.

**Chairpersons Report:** Notes the Airport Open House was a great event, there were a lot of people who had a great time.

**Town Manager's Report:** Updated the Council and public about 18 Montreal Street. The building is now down and the area has been seeded.

**Communications:** Director of Parks and Recreation Marcel Blouin discussed the three major events held during the Independence Day celebration. The Town sponsored the Portland Symphony Orchestra, the annual Fourth of July Parade and the Fireworks. Marcel Blouin presents to Chairperson Mastraccio and Councilor Herlihy a framed Portland Symphony Orchestra poster and thanks them for all their hard work on the PSO Concert.

Mr. Blouin talked about the three events.

There had been talk for years about having an event like the PSO at Goodall Park. There were 26 major contributors to the event. There were about 1,100 tickets sold in addition to about 230 given to the sponsors. The tent was a success and the Town received a donation from the caterer. Between the donations, the ticket sales and other events, the only cost to the town was about \$730.00.

The fireworks display had more people than Mr. Blouin can remember seeing at the event before. Council Chairperson Mastraccio talked about a few concerns about the crowds by the Winter Street Bridge and aggressive dogs in the crowd. Mr. Blouin also thanked the Finance Committee. A lot of people also enjoyed the live band, the Local 109 Band that played that night.

The parade lasted about an hour and a half. The event seemed to be a big success.

The Councilors thanked Mr. Blouin for all his work.

### **Public Hearings:**

The Town Council will hold a public hearing to receive comment on the following:

- 1) An application for new liquor license for MSC Pizza LLC D/B/A: Sanford Pat's Pizza, 9 Renaissance Way, Sanford. Chairperson Mastraccio opened the public hearing at 7:24pm. There was no one to speak in favor or against the item. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the public hearing complete at 7:26pm.

**Public Participation:** None

### **Old Business**

07-86.04 Ordered, to authorize an independent committee appointed by the Council to review the Charter. Councilor Paul makes a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. Councilor Littlefield had emailed the resolution and charge for the independent committee. Councilor Lamb had questions about the appointment process. The motion passed 7-0.

Councilor Littlefield makes a separate motion to appoint Jeff Titherington, Gary Samia, Mark Patterson and Jon Mapes to the independent committee and a later date to appoint one or three additional members to the committee making the committee membership either 5 or 7, seconded by Councilor Lamb. The motion passed 7-0.

07-88.06 The Town Council of the Town of Sanford hereby ordains amendments to the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Sanford, Maine Chapter 12 Offenses – Miscellaneous. Article IV Section 12.17, Anti-Graffiti Ordinance. This item must be read on two separate days. This is the first reading. Vice Chairman Hanslip discusses what the Public Safety Committee decided during a review of the concerns discussed. The Town Manager will have some discretion on the timely removal during special circumstances. Councilor Lamb notes that there are two section 7's and one needs to be changed. Dennis Fortin, a Springvale resident, addressed concerns about non-graffiti related items in the ordinance and how it can be related to other items like sidewalk chalk and markers. Mr. Fortin also discussed how the ordinance violates property owners or victims of graffiti. The Town Manager will make a second draft including all the proposed changes to present to the Council for the second reading.

No further action was necessary as this is the first reading.

**New Business:**

07-101.01 Ordered, to approve a new liquor license for MSC Pizza LLC, D/B/A: Sanford Pat's Pizza, 9 Renaissance Way, Sanford. Vice-Chairman Hanslip makes a motion to approve the liquor license application, seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0 in favor of the liquor license application.

07-102.02 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a lease purchase for a front-end loader for Public Works. Councilor Herlihy makes a motion to discuss, seconded by Councilor Paul. Director of Public Works and Town Engineer Charles Andreson discusses the lease purchase and why the department needs it. Alan Walsh of Springvale asked if there were any local bids. Director Andreson discusses how the process of getting the two prices was handled. Mr. Walsh advised he thought there was a policy that these items went out to bid. Town Manager Green addressed the question and advised this request would be hard to bid and he advised Mr. Andreson to go out and get quotes. Mr. Andreson stated they picked the two that have provided equipment and because of the quality of the equipment that they provided. This is a special circumstance because of the lease purchase. Councilor Lamb notes his concern about not going out to bid on the item. The Town Manager advises the Council that the Town had gone out to get the best deal with the special financing requirements. The process has been very fair and it is an unusual process, but has been done in the past with items like the Detectives Ford Taurus in the Police Department. Councilor Littlefield asked about the other heavy equipment the Town owns. Assistant Director of Public Works Eugene Alley discusses what brands of heavy equipment the Town owns. Councilor Paul makes a motion to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a lease purchase for a front-end loader for Public Works, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. The Town Council voted 7-0 to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a lease purchase for a front-end loader for Public Works.

07-103.03 Ordered, to accept the resignation of Jeffrey C. Pippin from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Councilor Paul makes a motion to accept, seconded by Vice-Chairman Hanslip. Councilor Littlefield asks if the Town Manager sat down with Mr. Pippin to ask

him to reconsider. The Town Manager has not been in contact with Mr. Pippin. Councilor Herlihy makes a motion to table, seconded by Councilor Littlefield. Councilor Herlihy, Councilor Lamb, Councilor Littlefield and Councilor Chabot in favor of tabling the item. Councilor Paul, Vice-Chairman Hanslip and Chairperson Mastraccio voted against tabling. Vice-Chairman Hanslip notes his concerns about the resignation and that Mr. Pippin has effectively resigned.

07-104.04 Ordered, to waive the building permit fee for the renovation of the Little Theater. Councilor Paul makes a motion to waive the building permit fee for the renovation of the Little Theater, seconded by Vice-Chairman Hanslip. The Town Council voted 7-0 to waive the building permit fee for the renovation of the Little Theater.

07-105.05 Ordered, to approve a Toll Booth fundraiser for the Sanford Hockey Boosters on Saturday, August 25, 2007. Councilor Paul makes a motion to approve, Vice Chairman Hanslip seconded. There was discussion about the need for a sub-committee to review the process for these tollbooths. 7-0 Motion passes.

**Council Member Comments:**

- Councilor Chabot: Advises the Council that since he was a Town Councilor, he has resigned from Appeals Board.
- Councilor Lamb: No report this evening.
- Councilor Littlefield: Just wanted to thank everyone who helped with the Portland Symphony Orchestra, it was a great time.
- Councilor Paul: No report this evening.
- Councilor Herlihy: No report this evening.
- Vice-Chairman Hanslip: No report this evening.
- Chairperson Mastraccio notes the meeting will adjourn and there will be a workshop on the YMCA

Councilor Littlefield makes a motion to adjourn at 8:15, seconded by Councilor Herlihy. The Council voted 7-0 to adjourn. Chairperson Mastraccio declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.