



Sanford Town Council

Town Council Meeting Minutes – March 17, 2009

The Sanford Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford Town Hall Annex on Tuesday, March 17, 2009. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Chairman Joseph Hanslip, Vice-Chair Maura Herlihy, Councilor Anne Marie Mastraccio, Councilor Gordon Paul, Councilor Bradford Littlefield, Councilor Kevin J. Chabot and Councilor Alan Walsh. **TOWN MANAGER:** Mark Green. **TOWN STAFF:** Executive Assistant Sherry Lord, Director of Recreation & Public Property Marcel Blouin, Director of Planning Jim Gulnac and Director of Facilities Alex Hammerle.

Chairman Hanslip called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

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

Roll Call: Chairman Hanslip performs the Council Roll Call: Councilor Walsh, present; Councilor Chabot, present; Council Littlefield, present; Councilor Paul, present; Councilor Mastraccio, present; Vice-Chair Herlihy, present; Councilor Hanslip, present; Town Manager, Green, present; Executive Assistant, Sherry Lord, present.

Minutes

Executive Session: January 27, 2009: Councilor Paul moved to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Herlihy. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

Regular Meeting: February 3, 2009: Councilor Paul moved to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Herlihy. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

Regular Meeting: February 17, 2009: Councilor Paul moved to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Herlihy. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

Regular Meeting: March 3, 2009: Vice-Chair Herlihy moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Paul. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

Chairman's Reports/Town Council Sub-Committee Reports

NONE

Town Manager's Report

Town Manager Green informed citizens that Dan Martineau has done a great job giving the Town website a great face lift. Town Manager Green also reminded citizens that April 1st is a deadline for property tax exemptions. He explained the exemptions available.

Communications

Public Participation

NONE

Public Hearings

The Town Council will take public comment on the following:

- 1) To discuss an application being submitted to the State of Maine CDBG program for the Neighborhood Stabilization program in the amount of \$2,472,189.00. The purpose of this grant is to purchase and rehabilitate foreclosed properties in the Sanford / Waterboro area of York County. Chairman Hanslip declared the public hearing open at 7:07pm. Jim Gulnac explained the public hearing. There was no one to speak for or against. The public hearing was closed at 7:16pm.

Old Business

NONE

New Business

- 09-40.01 The Town Council hereby approves a resolution authorizing and directing the Town Manager to submit a Community Development Block Grant application for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program in the amount of \$2,472,189.00 to the State of Maine CDBG Program. Councilor Mastraccio moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Chabot. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 09-41.02 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a lease agreement with the Sanford Mainers, Inc for the use of Goodall Park for the 2009, 2010 & 2011 seasons. Marcel Blouin explained the lease. Councilor Mastraccio moved to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Herlihy. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 09-42.03 Ordered, to authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with Trane Energy Services of Westbrook, ME for conducting an Energy Audit on Town Buildings. Alex Hammerle explained the need for the audit. Councilor Paul moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Mastraccio. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 09-43.04 Ordered, to approve the following license requests:
- 1) An application for license to operate Game of Chance (sealed tickets) for the annual Spring Fever Fair to be held April 26, 2009 at the Sanford Memorial Gym. Councilor Paul moved to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Herlihy. The Town Council voted 7-0 to approve.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Walsh: Concerned with the snow in the Mid Town Mall, feels Town has an obligation and would like a resolution.

Councilor Chabot: Requested a workshop for special downtown tax district.

Councilor Littlefield: Attended a Maine Geological Survey – Ground Water meeting here at Town Hall on Monday. Would like a workshop to inform citizens of ground water rights.

Councilor Paul: Asked if there is any way the snow can be removed in the Mid Town Mall. MDOT and the lack of funding led him to go to the DOT web-site to leave a response of his disapproval of no funds for York County.

Councilor Mastraccio: Commented on Trash Ordinance and landlords and tenants that violate it now.

Vice-Chair Herlihy: Public Hearing for Budget at the Finance Committee Meeting on Thursday March 19th. Voiced her concerns regarding the Change in the Trash ordinance starting July 1st.

Chairman Hanslip: No Comment.

Future Agenda Items

Alan Walsh - Reconsider the Sale of the Mid-Town Mall Parking Lot

Adjournment

Chairman Hanslip moved to adjourn at 7:50 pm.
Respectfully Submitted,
Sherry Lord
Executive Assistant to the Town Manager