



# Sanford City Council

City Council Meeting Minutes – August 18, 2015

The Sanford City Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford City Hall Annex on Tuesday, July 21, 2015. Those present were: **COUNCILORS:** Deputy Mayor Maura A. Herlihy, Councilor Joseph Hanslip, Councilor Alan R. Walsh, Councilor Richard L. Wilkins, Councilor Fred W. Smith and Councilor Victor E. DiGregorio. **CITY MANAGER:** Steven R. Buck **CITY STAFF:** Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant; Jim Q. Gulnac, City Planner and James F. Nimon, SREGC Director.

Deputy Mayor Herlihy called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

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

**Roll Call:** Deputy Mayor Herlihy performs the Council Roll Call: Councilor DiGregorio, present; Councilor Smith, present; Councilor Wilkins, present; Councilor Walsh, present; Councilor Hanslip, absent with notice; and Mayor Cote, absent w/notice.

## Minutes

Executive Session: July 21, 2015; Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Hanslip. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Regular Meeting: August 4, 2015; Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Walsh. The City Council voted 5-0-1 to approve.

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

Deputy Mayor Herlihy wanted to remind citizens to make sure they do not leave their children or pets in vehicles during this hot spell.

Councilor Smith reported from the Zoning and Public Safety Sub-committee being brought forward tonight is the Moratorium ordinance for Medical Marijuana Production Facilities and not on tonight's agenda but was discussed was abandoned properties in the City.

Councilor Walsh reported from the Municipal Operations and Property Sub-committee that on Thursday they had their first emergency meeting to purchase a trailer for the public works department. That item will be brought forward to the Council at a later date.

## City Manager's Report

See Attached

## Communications/Presentations

## Public Participation

## **Public Hearings**

The City Council will take public comment on the following:

1. An Ordinance Establishing a Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Production Facilities. Deputy Mayor Herlihy declared the public hearing open at 7:20pm. City Manager Buck read the Ordinance for clarification. Connie Roux from the Partners for Healthier Communities; thanked the Council for taking the time to do the research. Mrs. Roux stated that it is the communities' responsibility to keep the youth of this community safe from drugs and alcohol. Richard Turelle would like to know why this ordinance is being proposed. He feels that there is a reason for medical marijuana and to put an ordinance in place like this concerns him. Brandon Albert currently owns a grow facility in Scarborough and moved to Sanford with the hopes to move their facility to Sanford. He feels that there are things that can be done to alleviate the concerns. There was no other one to speak for or against. The public hearing was declared closed at 7:38pm.

## **Consent Agenda**

Deputy Mayor Herlihy sought comments or concerns regarding the following items. There were no comments or concerns. Consent agenda items were approved.

15-99.01 Ordered, to approve the following license request:

1. An application for blanket letter of approval for license to operate games of chance (Meat Raffle) for the American Legion Post #19, 656 Main Street, Springvale, ME.

## **Old Business**

### **New Business**

15-100.02 Ordered, to confirm the appointment of the Planning Director by the City Manager per section 402.3 of the Sanford City Charter. Deputy Mayor Herlihy introduced Elizabeth Della-Valle. Councilor Hanslip moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Smith. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

15-101.03 The City Council of the City of Sanford hereby proclaims that on Friday, August 14, 2015 the great City of Sanford, Maine joins the Nation in celebrating the 80th anniversary of the signing of the Social Security Act. Councilor Hanslip moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

15-102.04 Ordered, to authorize the distribution of Special Revenue Acct. 2080 Teen Center funds in the amount of \$7,163.81 to Sanford Police Cadets and

Youth Initiatives pursuant to Organizer's request. Councilor Walsh moved to approve the transfer of \$7,163.81 from Special Revenue Account 2080 "Teen Center funds" to Strategies for a Stronger Sanford for the Sanford Police Cadets and Youth Initiatives, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Walsh explained the request from Ms. Trowbridge and the history of the funds. It is at Ms. Trowbridge's request that this money be turned over to the Sanford Police Cadets. The sub-committee is recommending approval. Ms. Trowbridge thanked the Council for transferring this funding. Officer Michael Gordon explained the program and he is very excited to add this funding to the program. This will help reward the cadets for their hard work. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

- 15-103.05 Ordered, to accept a bid from Specialty Vehicles, Inc. of North Attleboro, MA for (1) One 2016 "Life Line" Brand Type 3 Ambulance built on Ford E-450 W/Stryker Power Cot. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Walsh added that this would also be a 5 year lease payment. The property sub-committee unanimously recommends approval of this bid. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.
- 15-104.06 The City Council of the City of Sanford hereby ordains a Moratorium Ordinance on Medical Marijuana Production Facilities. (This item must be read on two separate days, this is the first reading).
- 15-105.07 Ordered, to approve the following dates for September 2015 City Council Meetings; Tuesday, September 1st and Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Councilor Walsh moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Walsh moved to amend the dates to September 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The City Council voted on the amendment 6-0 to approve. The City Council voted 6-0 on the original motion.

### **Council Member Comments**

**Councilor DiGregorio:** None

**Councilor Smith:** Feels that we are using jails to deal with people with mental illness. He hopes that there will be help that she needs.

**Councilor Wilkins:** None

**Councilor Walsh:** Welcomed Elizabeth as the City's new planner and he thanked Jim Gulnac for his service. He will run again for City Council for the one year term.

**Councilor Hanslip:** Welcomed Elizabeth and thanked Jim Gulnac

**Deputy Mayor Herlihy:** None

**Mayor Cote:** Absent

### **Future Agenda Items**

Non Profit financial recommendation from sub-committee

### **Adjournment**

Deputy Mayor Herlihy moved to adjourn regular meeting at 8:02 pm  
Respectfully submitted by Sherry Lord, Executive Assistant