



Sanford City Council

City Council Meeting Minutes – September 2, 2014

The Sanford City Council met at 7:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Sanford City Hall Annex on Tuesday, September 2, 2014. Those present were: Mayor Thomas P. Cote, Deputy Mayor Maura A. Herlihy, Councilor Joseph R. Hanslip, Councilor Alan R. Walsh, Councilor Richard L. Wilkins, Councilor Fred W. Smith and Councilor Dianne R. Connolly. **CITY MANAGER:** Steven R. Buck **CITY STAFF:** Shirley Sheesley, Code Enforcement Officer; Matt Hill, Director of Public Works; Michael Casserly, Assistant Engineer.

Mayor Cote called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

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

Roll Call: Mayor Cote preformed the Council Roll Call: Councilor Connolly, present; Councilor Smith, present; Councilor Wilkins, present; Councilor Walsh, present; Councilor Hanslip, present; Deputy Mayor Herlihy, present.

Minutes

Executive Session: August 19, 2014; Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Walsh. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve. (Mayor Cote absent from August 19th meetings)

Regular Meeting: August 19, 2014; Councilor Smith moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Walsh. The City Council voted 6-0 to approve.

Mayor's Reports/City Council Sub-Committee Reports

Mayor Cote announced the next event for Synergize Sanford will be held at the Bradford Block Bistro, Main Street, Springvale on September 23rd at 5:00 pm. speaker will be John Lee Dumas of Entrepreneurs on Fire; City Hall Auditorium restoration group looking for help, if interested may contact Councilor Walsh at arwalsh@sanfordmaine.org; Budget Committee has been meeting throughout summer, next meeting will be September 18th at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers.

City Manager's Report

See attached

Communications/Presentations

None

Public Participation

Vincent Randazzo, 34 Varney Drive voiced concerns regarding alleged junk yard owned by Anthony & Ann Marie Zucco on the corner of New Dam Road and Varney Drive.

Public Hearings

The City Council will take public comment on the following:

1. An application for liquor license renewal for O-N Enterprises, Inc. D/B/A: Bowl-A-Rama, 1217 Main Street, Sanford, ME. Mayor Cote declared the public hearing open at 7:21 pm. There was no one present to speak in favor of or against the license request. The public hearing was closed at 7:21 pm.
2. An application for liquor license renewal for Y.H. WANG, Inc., D/B/A: Green Tea Restaurant, 1005 Main Street, Sanford, ME. Mayor Cote declared the public hearing open at 7:22 pm. There was no one present to speak in favor of or against the license request. The public hearing was closed at 7:22 pm.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Cote sought comments, questions or concerns regarding the following items. There were none expressed, so the following items were considered approved.

14-131.01 Ordered, to approve the following license requests:

1. An application for liquor license renewal for O-N Enterprises, Inc. D/B/A: Bowl-A-Rama, 1217 Main Street, Sanford, ME.
2. An application for liquor license renewal for Y.H. WANG, Inc., D/B/A: Green Tea Restaurant, 1005 Main Street, Sanford, ME.

Old Business

14-123.13 The City Council of the City of Sanford hereby ordains the proposed Residential Chicken Ordinance establishing limits and standards for the ownership and housing of non-commercial chickens in other than the Rural Residential Zone. (This item must be read on two separate days. This is the second reading). Motion to approve made by Councilor Hanslip, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. City Manager Steve Buck gave an overview of this ordinance from last one proposed which was sent back to sub-committee for review from a zoning perspective. Councilor Connolly expressed concerns with some parts of the ordinance. Deputy Mayor Herlihy suggested a friendly amendment that this ordinance be reviewed in six months with updates from Code Enforcement and/or City Manager regarding enforcement issues, or other concerns that may arise from enacting the ordinance. The City Council voted 6-1 in favor of adopting the

ordinance with the amendment to review in six months. Councilor Connolly opposed.

New Business

- 14-132.02 Ordered, to suspend enforcement of Chapter 136, Impact Fees, until further action of the Council following a pending Public Hearing on September 16th, 2014, to consider a proposed Act of Ordinance suspending the effectiveness of Chapter 136 pursuant to defined actions and time limitations. Motion made by Deputy Mayor Herlihy, seconded by Councilor Smith to suspend enforcement of Chapter 136 pending Public Hearing on September 16th. City Council voted 7-0 in favor.
- 14-133.03 Ordered, to authorize the St. Thomas School 6th annual Run for Our School 5k walk/run and fun run on Saturday October 25th. Motion to approve made by Deputy Mayor Herlihy, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 14-134.04 Ordered, to appoint a member to the Core Building Committee for the construction of the new Career Technical and Academic Education High School in Sanford. Motion to discuss made by Councilor Walsh and seconded by Councilors Herlihy and Wilkins. Councilor Walsh states that normally when the Council makes appoints to a committee, there is a process of advertising and accepting applications from citizens interested. Deputy Mayor Herlihy explains the recommendation is to appoint an additional School Committee member so there is more depth of knowledge on the School Committee. Councilor Walsh requested the agenda item be changed to "Ordered, to appoint a School Committee member to the Core Building Committee for the construction of the new Career Technical and Academic Education High School in Sanford." so the record reflects the appropriate request. Mayor Cote states the change will be made. Deputy Mayor Herlihy adds that the recommendation is Scott Sheppard be appointed. Councilor Walsh makes the motion to approve Mr. Sheppard be appointed to the Core Building Committee, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. The City Council voted 7-0 in favor as amended.
- 14-135.05 Ordered, to approve the transfer of forfeited items to the Sanford Police Department. The amount of currency to be received by the Sanford Police Department is \$511.50. Motion to approve made by Councilor Walsh, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. City Manager Buck explains the process as required by State Statute. The City Council voted 7-0 to approve.
- 14-136.06 Ordered, to discontinue the leaf pick up program for the City of Sanford/Springvale. Motion to approve made by Councilor Walsh, seconded by Councilor Wilkins. Councilor Walsh explained the property sub-committee reasons for ending the program and added that the City Manager and Public Works Director will begin a public education program to get the word out to residents. City Council voted 7-0 in favor of discontinuing the leaf pick up.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Connolly: Would like to see the 'Bulk' pick up program looked at as well as the PAYT program.

Councilor Smith: Reminder to citizens that school is back in session; watch for children walking and biking.

Councilor Wilkins: None

Councilor Walsh: see future agenda items below

Councilor Hanslip: September 20th at 10 am, Gowen Park a ceremony of remembrance recognizing POW's.

Deputy Mayor Herlihy: none

Mayor Cote: Welcome back to School to teachers and students; "Thank You" to citizens who have served on the Budget Committee over the summer months. Next meeting is scheduled for September 18th at 6 pm in Council Chambers. Meetings are open to the public although not televised (for the off season).

Future Agenda Items

Councilor Walsh: City Manager evaluation; Council goals and objectives; Budget directive from Council.

Councilor Smith: Would like to see a workshop for discussing the feasibility of bonding capital projects like roads.

Adjournment

Mayor Cote moved to adjourn at 7:58 pm

Respectfully submitted by Susan Cote, City Clerk