

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANFORD
SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA

The City Council met for an informal luncheon with newly elected U. S. Congresswoman Renee Ellmers at Davison's Restaurant located on Highway #1 South in Sanford, North Carolina on February 23, 2011, before the regularly scheduled Law & Finance Committee meeting. The following people were present:

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| Mayor Cornelia P. Olive | Council Member James Williams |
| Council Member Walter H. McNeil, Jr. | Council Member Bob Brown |
| Council Member L. I. "Poly" Cohen | Council Member Sam Gaskins |
| City Manager Hal Hegwer | City Attorney Susan Patterson |
| Congresswoman Renee Ellmers | Deputy City Clerk Janice Cox |
| Assistant to Congresswoman Ellmers, Pat Fitzgerald | |

Absent:

Council Member Linwood Mann
Council Member Charles Taylor
City Clerk Bonnie D. White

Mayor Olive introduced and welcomed the newly elected U. S. Congresswoman Renee Ellmers and her assistant, Pat Fitzgerald. At Mayor Olive's request, those in attendance introduced themselves to Congresswoman Etheridge stating their current responsibilities to the City and how long they had been with the City.

Congresswoman Ellmers stated that the most serious concern of people in this country is unemployment. She stated that she is concentrating efforts in trying to find ways to resolve the problem of unemployment and get people back to work. She expressed that the state of the economy would improve as people were able to return to work.

Members of Council participated in an informal and general discussion of current events and matters before Congress including ways to generate more revenue; decrease spending; the budget deficit and continued federal funding of grants; the cost of doing business and decreasing business regulations; loss of jobs to other countries; issues with taxes and the tax code; costs of fighting wars and maintaining national defense; questions about the Health Care Bill; and states' rights regarding union activity.

Mayor Olive presented Congresswoman Ellmers with a pottery bowl for her office.

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After eating lunch, the Council left for the regularly scheduled Law & Finance Committee meeting at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

CORNELIA P. OLIVE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JANICE COX, DEPUTY CITY CLERK