

**MINUTES OF MEETING WITH
CITIZENS ACADEMY PARTICIPANTS
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANFORD
SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA**

The City Council met at the Sanford Municipal Center, 225 E. Weatherspoon Street, on Tuesday, October 18, 2016, at 5:30 p.m, in the West End Conference Room to receive feedback from participants in the fourth session of Citizens Academy. The following people were present:

Mayor T. Chet Mann
Council Member Jimmy Haire
Council Member Rebecca Wyhof
City Manager Hal Hegwer
City Attorney Susan Patterson

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins
Council Member Charles Taylor III
City Clerk Bonnie Davis
Deputy City Clerk Vicki Cannady

Absent:

Council Member Byron Buckels
Council Member Norman "Chas" Post

Council Member James Williams

Citizens Academy Participants Present:

Lynn Chamberlain, Tyler Dunn, Kimberly Eng, Barbara E. James, Patricia A. Kirkman, Patricia DeAnda Likes, Samuel L. Petty, Graham Neil Rosser, Anne C. Wilson

Mayor Mann introduced participants and asked for their feedback on the session. Comments and suggestions included:

- Facility tours were interesting, especially those to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Fire Department and Airport
- Department presentations were educational, especially the Finance Department (and the Popular Annual Financial Report).
- Holding the Finance Department presentation at the end of the session allowed for greater understanding of how the budget is affected by the function of each department
- Staff has a great deal of experience and education, with very little turnover
- More high school students should be encouraged to participate and learn how local government functions
- A summer session could be offered for youth and teens
- A tour of the expanded Industrial Park/Enterprise Park would be interesting and informative

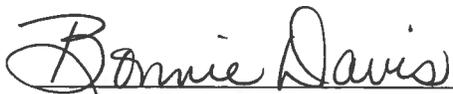
Mayor Mann reviewed and briefly explained the agenda for the Council meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. and closed the meeting by thanking participants, staff and Kelly Miller (Information Technology Officer), who organized and led the session. Mayor Mann invited participants to stay for the meeting, where they would be recognized for their participation.

Respectfully Submitted,



T. CHET MANN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BONNIE DAVIS, CITY CLERK