



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Agenda**

September 12, 2017

6:30pm – Regular Meeting

Broadcast Studio
423 Webbs Mills Road

Resolution: We, the Raymond Board of Selectmen, recognize our individual and collective responsibilities as leaders and representatives of our community. To this end, we pledge to conduct ourselves in a manner befitting these roles and duties. We pledge and encourage others to “Be the Influence” and to recognize that decisions matter.

1) Call to order

2) Minutes of previous meetings

a) June 20, 2017

3) Public Hearing

a) 2017-2018 General Assistance Ordinance Approval – Don Willard, Town Manager

This is the annual update of the General Assistance (GA) Ordinance which requires a public hearing.

4) New Business

a) Age Friendly Community – Beth Clark

The AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities is an affiliate of the World Health Organization’s Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program, an international effort launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for rapid population aging and the parallel trend of urbanization. The program has participating communities in more than 20 nations, as well as 10 affiliates representing more than 1,000 communities. Ms Clark will go over a short Power Point presentation explaining the program and will ask for official town support so they can submit the formal application to AARP for technical support.

b) Consideration of Extension of Jalisco LLC dba A La Mexicana’s Peddler’s License – Jose Manuel Chavez-Mendoza, Owner

c) Consideration of the FY 2017-2018 Tax Rate – Curt Lebel, Contract Assessor

The Select Board will be asked to set the FY 2017-2018 tax rate. The Assessors’ Agent will provide possible tax rate options and be available to discuss this year’s valuation.

d) For Information Only – County Tax Warrant

We have received the annual Tax Warrant from Cumberland County. The total Cumberland County tax is \$29,283,062, and Raymond’s share is \$727,076, which is 2.5% of the total and is a Tax Rate of 0.0006949019 based on \$1,046,300,000 in total valuation.

e) Quit Claim Deeds – Sue Carr, Tax Collector

The following foreclosed properties have had their taxes and all associated costs paid in full:

William & Maryann Coppersmith	052-108	A0315R	49 Tommahawk Trl
David & Mary Charette	052-020-J-31	C9311R	20 County Rd
Gregory & Rhonda Mayer	017-020-A	M3037R	10 Dyer Rd

f) Consideration of the FEMA Grant Awarded to Public Safety for the Purchase of a Fire Truck – Bruce Tupper, Fire Chief

Per Warrant Article 39 of the 2017 Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen are authorized to accept or reject grants, as well as authorized to expend such monies if accepted. Public Safety applied for and has been awarded a FEMA grant totaling \$275,000 for the purchase of a fire truck.

g) Merit Pay System Discussion – Board of Selectmen

h) Consideration of Ordinance Regarding Municipal Elections and Write-In Candidates – Sue Look, Town Clerk

The Town Clerk made an inquiry over the Clerk's List-Serve asking towns how they deal with no nominated candidates for an open seat with the following results:

- Some towns notify the write-in candidate with the most votes that they have won and give the candidate the option of accepting or refusing (this is what we currently do)
- Some have adopted a minimum number of votes that an individual must receive to be declared the winner
- Some have adopted the use of Maine State Statute (Title 21-A §722) which requires a write-in candidate to declare their candidacy prior to the election.

i) Approval of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting Election for the Portland Water District Board of Trustees – Sue Look, Town Clerk

Every 5 years there is a seat open on the Portland Water District Board of Trustees which must be filled by secret ballot.

j) Appointment of Weights & Measures Inspector – Sue Look, Town Clerk

The State of Maine eliminated the position of Weights & Measures Inspector more than a year ago. They have since come to realize that the position is necessary and have reinstated it. This will go into effect on November 1, 2017 (90 days after ME Legislature adjournment) and Gregory Joy of New Gloucester will be our inspector once again.

k) Consideration of Granting Authority to the Town Manager to Appoint Interim and Assistant CEOs

5) Public Comment

6) Selectman Comment

7) Town Manager's Report and Communications

a) Confirm Dates for Upcoming Regular Meetings

- October 10, 2017
- November 14, 2017

b) Reminder of Upcoming Holiday Schedule

- October 9, 2017 – In observance of Columbus Day

8) Treasurer's Warrant

9) Executive Session

- a) Consideration of Town Report Dedication (Pursuant to MRSA 1 §405 (6)(A))

10) Adjournment