TOWN OF RAYMOND

Tuesday, June 7, 2011

ANNUAL BUDGET/TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Town Clerk Louise Lester convened the meeting at 7:00 pm at the Jordan Small Middle School gymnasium reading:

TO: Nathan White, a resident of the Town of Raymond, in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Raymond, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Jordan-Small Middle School gymnasium, in said Town of Raymond on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

NOMINATION: There was a nomination and second for John Robinson.
MOTION: There was a motion for nominations to cease. Seconded.
VOTE: Carried.
VOTE FOR MODERATOR: Carried.

Moderator John Robinson asked for a unanimous consent to allow non-resident speakers. Carried.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town of Raymond Shoreland Zoning Provisions, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through June 1, 2010, and Article 6, Section B of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through June 1, 2010, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below?

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this ordinance.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adopt this ordinance.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 3: Shall Article 4, Section 3.A, and Article 9, Section 3.F of the Town of Raymond Subdivision Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through June 1, 2010, and Article 13, Sections A.3.a, B.1, C.2.b, C.2.c, C.3, C.4.c, C.5.b, D.1.b, and D.6 of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through June 1, 2010, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type as shown below?

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this ordinance.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adopt this ordinance.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 4: Shall Sections 4.2, 4.8, 5.5, 5.10 and 8 of the Town of Raymond Street Ordinance, as adopted May 18, 2002 and amended through May 17, 2003, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, and shall Appendix A be added, as shown below?

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this ordinance.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adopt this ordinance.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 5: Shall Sections 1, 3, 4.8, 5.5, and 14 of the Town of Raymond Street Ordinance, as adopted May 18, 2002 and amended through May 17, 2003, and Article 9, Section T and Article 12 of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through June 1, 2010, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type as shown below?

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this ordinance.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adopt this ordinance.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 6A: Shall Section 2 of the Town of Raymond Fire Protection Ordinance, as adopted May 19, 1995 and amended through March 17, 2001 be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type as shown below?

The Fire Department recommends adoption of this ordinance this ordinance.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adopt this ordinance.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 6B: Shall Section 3 of the Town of Raymond Fire Protection Ordinance, as adopted May 19, 1995 and amended through March 17, 2001, and the Chimney Ordinance, as adopted May, 1989, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type as shown below?

The Fire Department recommends adoption of this ordinance.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adopt this ordinance.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Improvement Study Committee to evaluate the current condition of Raymond’s public road system and to make recommendations for financial strategies to achieve necessary capital improvement work. The committee would investigate the use of long and short term construction bonds, annual Capital Improvement funding, and any other funding mechanisms available.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.
MOTION: There was a motion and second to adopt this ordinance.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any property acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes pursuant to the policy adopted by the Selectmen, as may be amended from time to time, the policy to remain consistent with State statutes and laws. In all cases conveyance to be made by municipal quitclaim deed.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 9: To see what date taxes will be due and to set an interest rate for unpaid amounts.

The Selectmen recommend 1\textsuperscript{st} half to be due October 31, 2011 and 2\textsuperscript{nd} half to be due April 30, 2012 with interest at seven percent (7\%) on any unpaid balances.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at seven percent (7\%) for the fiscal year.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of Town owned personal property with value not to exceed $35,000.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow from or appropriate from fund balance (surplus) as they deem advisable to meet the unanticipated needs of the community that occur during the fiscal year.

The Selectmen recommend an amount not over $75,000.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.
MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen, for the fiscal year 2011 - 2012, to transfer funds between appropriation accounts as long as the grand total of all appropriations is not exceeded. Any such transfers to be approved only at a properly called public meeting of the Selectmen.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of Town employees and/or Town owned equipment or independent contractor(s) hired by the Town for maintenance on private roads in special and certain circumstances where in the public’s interest.

Note of explanation -- Two examples of when the use of Town employees and equipment may be necessary:

A. Tying in work done on a public road that intersects a private road;
B. Plowing snow on a private road to clear the way for emergency response apparatus.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $177,568 from the tax increment of the Pipeline/RT 302 Tax Increment Financing District for FY 2011 - 2012 projects proposed in the Tax Increment Financing District Development Program.

Note: Included in this item are:
   Raymond-Casco Historical Society $1,800
   Raymond Waterways Association Milfoil Program $15,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.
MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $470,945 for the Administration account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $56,287 for the Assessing account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $28,253 for the Town Hall account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $452,982 for the Insurance account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000 for the General Assistance account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $165,000 for the Technology Department account.
The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $40,894 for the Community Development account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $578,196 for the Fire/Rescue Department account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,587 for the Animal Control account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $19,330 for the Infrastructure account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $607,981 for the Public Works account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $467,205 for the Solid Waste account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $16,112 for the Cemeteries account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,197 for the Parks & Recreation account.

Included are: Contract Services $6,697
Materials, Maintenance & Equipment $3,500
Raymond Rattlers Snowmobile Club $2,000
Raymond Baseball/Softball $1,000
Agawam mowing/Soccer $2,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,900 for the Raymond Village Library.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 32: To see whether the Town will vote to carry forward any existing fund balance in the Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.) account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $675,667 for the Capital Improvement account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $589,325 for the County Tax account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the total sum of $1,503,006 from estimated non-property tax revenues to reduce the property tax commitment, together with all categories of funds that may be available from the federal government and any other sources.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept or reject grants, donations and/or gifts of money to the Town of Raymond and to expend monies donated for specific purposes.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to accept certain State Funds as provided by the Maine State Legislature during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and any other funds provided by any other entity including but not limited to:

A. Municipal Revenue Sharing
B. Local Road Assistance
C. Emergency Management Assistance
D. Snowmobile Registration Money
E. Tree Growth Reimbursement
F. General Assistance Reimbursement
G. Veteran’s Exemption Reimbursement
H. State Grant or Other Funds
The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve.
VOTE: Carried.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adjourn.
VOTE: Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: John Robinson adjourned the meeting at 8:25 pm.

[Signature]
Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk