

TOWN OF RAYMOND BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rolf Olsen Louise Murray Howard Williams Jane Jordan Neil Southwick Phil Hamilton Ralph Bartholomew Robert Jones Louise Lester

MINUTES

MONDAY, April 12, 1999

ATTENDANCE: Rolf Olsen, Chairman; Jane Jordan; Phil Hamilton; Louise Murray; Louise Lester; Neil Southwick; Ralph Bartholomew; Robert Jones; and Nathan Poore, Town Manager.

CALL TO ORDER: Rolf Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

NOTE: The previously announced meeting on May 3rd is cancelled.

1. Minutes.

a. January 20, 1999

MOTION: Phil Hamilton motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Seconded by Neil Southwick.

VOTE: Unanimous.

b. March 17, 1999

A quorum of committee members were not present to hold a meeting.

2. Election of a chairman.

NOMINATIONS: Ralph Bartholomew nominated Rolf Olsen as chairman. Seconded by Jane Jordan.

MOTION: Jane Jordan motioned that nominations cease. Seconded by Neil Southwick.

VOTE: Unanimous.

VOTE FOR CHAIRMAN: Unanimous.

3. Appointment of secretary.

It was decided that each member would take a turn at recording minutes. Louise Lester would help with the typing and mailing agendas.

4. Schedule.

DISCUSSION: It was decided to keep the same agenda format as last year with Nathan Poore submitting a plan in August for the Committee's approval. The Committee talked about being more involved with the School Budget process and requested that they get the original School budget from the Superintendent on or about the same time as the School Committee receives it. There was no specific Budget Committee member(s) appointed to attend the School Committee meetings when the budget would be discussed but it was left to those Budget Committee who can attend those meetings do so. Therefore it was requested that the Budget Committee receive copies of the pertinent School Committee agendas prior to those meetings. There was discussion about the process in purchasing large ticket items and how the Budget Committee could be more involved in those choices of purchase. Mr. Hamilton asked if the Committee could be informed about the new teacher contract and how the Budget Committee could be more involved in future negotiations. Mr. Poore announced that

road work would be done on North Raymond Road and Gore Road to Maples Road this year.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adjourn.

VOTE: Unanimous.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting for August will be announced at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT: Rolf Olsen adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm.