

TOWN OF RAYMOND BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rolf Olsen Louise Murray Ernest Allen Jane Jordan Neil Southwick Phil Hamilton Ralph Bartholomew

Louise Lester Bob Jones

MINUTES

MONDAY, October 23, 2000

ATTENDANCE: Rolf Olsen, Chairman; Jane Jordan; Phil Hamilton; Bob Jones; Louise Lester; Neil Southwick (late arrival); Ralph Bartholomew; Ernest Allen; Denis Morse, Fire Chief; Chris Champagne, Deputy Chief; and Elizabeth Cummings, Town Manger.

CALL TO ORDER: Rolf Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm at the Town Hall.

1. Minutes.

a. July 10, 2000

MOTION: Ernest Allen motioned to accept the Minutes as written. Seconded by Bob Jones.

VOTE: Unanimous.

2. Review CIP Budget.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Olsen opened by saying that there would be no vote this evening but would be voted on with the rest of the budget. Mr. Hamilton felt that the Committee had expected the CIP to be taken out only 5 years and this one showed 10 years. He wondered if this would promote confusion as to what the Town was going to purchase. Mr. Olsen said that the extended CIP was only for planning purposes and didn't necessarily mean that those purchases would be made. There was discussion about purchasing a new rescue unit and Mr. Morse and Champagne said that the oldest truck would be traded in for the new unit. They hoped in the future to have one retired unit kept as a backup if one of the service vehicles had to be out of service for some reason. There was discussion about the amount of mutual aide calls this year for Raymond and Chief Morse said that over a 5 year span the calls historically even out.

Mr. Hamilton asked about the TIF Budget and questioned the \$10,000 per year for the Lake Region Development Council. Mr. Olsen said that originally the LRDC said it would be a one-time request but that it has become an annual request to cover their operating expenses. There are 6 towns involved in the LRDC.

3. Discuss meeting schedule.

NOTE: Our next planned meeting will be December 11, 2000 at 7:00 pm at the Town Office. If the Selectmen decide to put the Northern Pines property before a Special Town Meeting, then the Committee will have to convene for that recommendation. Mr. Olsen said he would notify the members in that event.

4. Old Business.

None

5. New Business.

None

6. Adjourn.

Rolf Olsen adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise H. Lester
Acting Secretary