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EMERGENCY SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

1) Call to order.

2) New business.

a) Approve Warrant and Notice of Election Regional School Unit #14 Budget Validation Referendum

Officials from RSU #14 have requested that the Board of Selectmen rescind the motion on the Budget Validation Referendum Warrant taken on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 due to an error in the materials previously submitted. The RSU is required to include an additional question regarding the continuation of the budget validation referendum process for an additional three years. This question (question 2) has been added to the warrant and notice of elections.

Attached in the e-packet is a memorandum from Assistant Superintendent Donn Davis with additional information.

3) Adjournment.
Subject: Re: Warrant and Notice of Election Calling RSU 14 Budget Validation Referendum  
From: Don Willard <don.willard@raymondmaine.org>  
Date: Thu, 13 May 2010 13:56:12 -0400  
To: Donn Davis <ddavis@windhamraymondschools.org>  
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Good afternoon Donn,

Raymond will hold an emergency special BOS meeting at the JSMS Broadcast Studio on Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00 pm to address this issue.

Don Willard  
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Town of Raymond  
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Raymond, Maine 04071

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Donn Davis wrote:

Dear Tony and Don,

I regret—and apologize—that the Warrant that you folks asked your Council/Selectpersons to approve last evening was in error.

As stipulated in law, the warrant for the Budget Validation Referendum must ask two questions. The first question is "Do you favor approving the Regional School Unit No. 14 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest Regional School Unit budget meeting?" and the second—previously omitted—question is "Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in Regional School Unit No. 14 for an additional three years?"—or words to those effects in both cases.

Additionally, due to "notice" requirements, action on the matter would need to take place no later than May 31 on the corrected warrant. This is to say that you would need two motions. The first would be to rescind your action that was taken on the incorrect warrant. The second motion would be to approve (and countersign) the corrected warrant.

The error is the responsibility of the District and is not associated with advice that we have received from the law firm. We thought that we could simply utilize the format of the warrant of last year and were not aware of the change in the law that required the second question and only became aware of the oversight when seeking advice from the firm on the separate warrant to call the budget meeting.

Please feel free to contact Sandy or me should you have any questions. We will
get the revised information (warrant) to you immediately. Thank you.

Donn

Don Willard <don.willard@raymonddmaine.org>
Town Manager
Town of Raymond
TO: Michael Duffy, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 14 composed of the Towns of Raymond and Windham, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby ordered to serve upon the municipal clerks of each of the municipalities within Regional School Unit No. 14, namely, the Towns of Raymond and Windham, an attested copy of this warrant and notice of election. Service shall be in hand within three (3) days of the date of this warrant and notice of election. The municipal clerks of the above municipalities shall immediately notify the respective municipal officers, who shall post the following warrant and notice of election:

TOWN OF RAYMOND
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM
WARRANT AND NOTICE OF ELECTION

Cumberland ss. State of Maine

TO: Louise Lester, Town Clerk, of Raymond: You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify the voters of this municipality of the election described in this warrant and notice of election.

TO THE VOTERS OF RAYMOND:

You are hereby notified that the Regional School Unit budget validation referendum election will be held at the Jordan Small Middle School, 423 Webbs Mills Road in the Town of Raymond on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 for the purpose of determining the following referendum questions:

Question 1: Do you favor approving the Regional School Unit No. 14 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest Regional School Unit budget meeting?

Question 2: Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in Regional School Unit No. 14 for an additional three years?

INFORMATIONAL NOTE ON QUESTION 2:

A “YES” vote will require Regional School Unit No. 14 to continue to conduct a referendum to validate its annual school budget for the next three years.
A “NO” vote will discontinue the budget validation referendum for at least three years and provide instead that the annual school budget shall be finally adopted at a meeting of the voters of Regional School Unit No. 14.

The polls must be opened at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m.

The Registrar of Voters shall hold office hours while the polls are open to correct any error in or change a name or address on the voting list; to accept the registration of any person eligible to vote and to accept new enrollments.

A person who is not registered as a voter may not vote in any election.

Given under our hand this day, May 12, 2010 at Windham, Maine.

[Signatures]

A majority of the School Board of Regional School Unit No. 14

A true copy of the Warrant and Notice of Election, attest:

Michael Duffy, Resident of Regional School Unit No. 14

Countersigned this ___________ day of ___________, 2010 at Raymond, Maine.

[Signatures]

A majority of the municipal officers of the Town of Raymond

A true copy of the Warrant and Notice of Election, attest:

Louise Lester, Town Clerk,
Town of Raymond
RETURN

Cumberland County, ss. State of Maine

TO: The School Board of Regional School Unit No. 14

__________________________, 2010

Pursuant to the within warrant and notice of election, directed to me, I have served in hand upon the municipal clerk of the Town of Raymond, an attested copy of this warrant and notice of election, directing the municipal officers of said municipality to call the Regional School Unit budget validation referendum at said time and place and for the purposes therein stated.

Michael Duffy
Resident of Regional School Unit No. 14

RETURN

Cumberland County, ss. State of Maine

TO: The municipal officers of the Town of Raymond

I certify that I have notified the voters of the Town of Raymond of the time and place of the Regional School Unit budget validation referendum by posting an attested copy of the within warrant and notice of election as follows:

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being public and conspicuous places in said municipality and being at least seven days next prior to election day.

Dated at the Town of Raymond: ____________________________, 2010

Louise Lester, Town Clerk,
Town of Raymond, Maine