

Town of Raymond
Amended Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2000

ATTENDANCE: Tim Pomerleau, Chairman; Betty McDermott; Ada Brown; Mark Acker; Michael McClellan; Patrick Scully, Town Attorney; Mike Sargent, Pine Tree Waste; Lloyd Thompson, Assistant EMA Director; Denis Morse, Fire Chief; Nathan White, Road Commissioner; Philip Hammett, Chairman, Recycling Committee; John Rand, Northern Pines Study Committee; Jack Cooper, Dispatch Supervisor; and Elizabeth Cummings, Town Manager.

1. Call to order. Tim Pomerleau opened the meeting at 7:00 pm at the Town Office.
2. Public Hearing and consideration to adopt a Cable Television Ordinance and enter into a Franchise Agreement with Time Warner.

DISCUSSION: Pat Scully reviewed the process saying that the Town by State law needed a cable ordinance to enable the Selectmen to go into a franchise agreement. The franchise agreement specifies how and what the franchise must do i.e. a performance bond and liability insurance. The agreement is for the consumer's protection stating how the company will be doing business in Raymond. This franchise agreement will be with Time Warner and will extend 10 years beginning November 1, 2000. It requires in part six million dollars of liability insurance and a fifty thousand dollar letter of credit. The agreement is also for two access channels for the Town and \$58,000 of grant money to purchase equipment, the first \$30,000 will be at Time Warner's expense and not transferred to the consumer. There is provision for all Town buildings to have free cable service. Also 10 locations will have Roadrunner hookups with about 100 computers tied in. There was no comment from the public.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED: Tim Pomerleau closed the public hearing at 7:08 pm.

MOTION: Mark Acker motioned to approve the ordinance and agreement as written. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

3. Consideration of previous minutes.

- a. October 17, 2000

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Seconded by Michael McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.

- b. October 25, 2000

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

- c. November 1, 2000

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

4. Northern Pines - To see whether the Board of Selectmen will proceed to a Special Town Meeting.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to hold a Special Town Meeting on December 5, 2000 at 7:00 pm at the Raymond Elementary School. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Pomerleau had concern about Envisions desire for control of the use of the property. John Rand explained that the first year would be a lease agreement and that Envision wanted the ability to agree with its use. After the first year the Town could use it for any reason as long as it was for community use for a five-year period. If the Town wished to give up the property within those 5 years, the property would go back to Envision. Mr. Pomerleau felt that this decision should come before the Annual Town Meeting in March. Mr. Rand asked that this article be written to see if the Town will allow the Selectmen to make an agreement with Envision. He said that information would be in the next Roadrunner. A gentleman said that a representative from the YMCA would be touring the property as a potential partner in the facility. Mr. Rand felt that the concept of programs would be for preschool children, teenagers and seniors. They didn't want to overlay any programs, which Raymond Rec was doing. Jennifer Danzig thought that the programs at Northern Pines would be other than sports i.e. art, music, dance, or crafts. The YMCA would provide some funding through their Cumberland County organization.

VOTE: 4 in favor (McClellan, McDermott, Brown, Acker) 1 opposed (Pomerleau)

MOTION: Mark Acker motioned that the Selectmen not recommend adoption of this article. Seconded by Michael McClellan.

VOTE: 3 in favor (Pomerleau, Acker, McClellan) 2 opposed (Brown, McDermott)

DISCUSSION: It was proposed that if Northern Pines is leased \$15,000 would need to be raised to support the facility to pay for heat, lights, plowing and sanding etc.

MOTION: Mark Acker motioned to have an article on the warrant raising \$15,000 for maintenance if the first article passes. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned that the Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned that the Selectmen's names and their position be on the warrant.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Pomerleau felt that information would divide the Board and not be beneficial to the work of the Board and requested that the motion die. No second to the motion. Mr. Pomerleau reminded the Board that anyone could offer their opinion at the Town Meeting.

5. Discussion regarding the Town of Raymond's "Municipal Solid Waste Curbside Pickup Contract". This contract expires December 31, 2000.

DISCUSSION: Mike Sargent informed the Board that the main offices were in Rutland, Vermont, and that Raymond is served from Mechanic Falls, Maine. He agreed with Mrs. Cummings that they had recently agreed to start pickup in Raymond at 7:00 am instead of 6:00 am and that they had some employee turnover but most of which was an internal shifting of jobs. Mrs. Cummings asked if Pine Tree Waste would extend the contract to June

30, 2001 for both trash and recycling. Mr. Pomerleau remembered that Mr. Poore had asked Pine Tree Waste for a 3-year proposal which was never delivered and thought it was unfortunate that we were now being put in a situation because our trash contract runs out December 31. Mr. Sargent said that they were now working under a contract extension and not a new contract. Pine Tree Waste will agree to extend their contract until Marcy 2001 with an added \$3000 per month increase or they would agree to end both contracts on December 31, 2000. Mr. Pomerleau felt this was very short notice and was not in favor. Phil Hammett had concern that the recycling program would die. He understood that PTW was using Great Northern for the recyclables and not the Lewiston facility from which there is a rebate on the tonnage.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to go to a bid process. Seconded by Mark Acker.

VOTE: Unanimous.

6. Review of the Civil Emergency Preparedness Plan.

DISCUSSION: Lloyd Thompson presented the completed Plan to the Selectmen saying that the Plan had been approved by Cumberland County EMA. He asked that there be an ordinance vote at the next Annual Town Meeting.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to accept the Plan for Raymond. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

7. E911 update and appropriation request.

DISCUSSION: Jack Cooper reported that the PSAP center will be at Cumberland County Sheriff's Department in Windham and that the referral will come to Raymond after being answered at CCSD. He said that they had hoped Raymond would be a PSAP but it was not given. He had concern as to the effectiveness of this system. Also the E911 program still needs much work and that Lloyd Thompson has agreed to be the coordinator if he was paid for time and expenses. Mr. Pomerleau thanked Mr. Thompson but said he was not in favor of adding a Town position with an unknown ending date. Mr. Cooper said he would still work on the street addresses. Mrs. Brown felt that Augusta should come through with some funding for this program since it was their mandate. She also had concern that the program was now not what the Legislature had decided upon in 1988 when it was enacted.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to table. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

8. FY2001/2002 Budget review.

DISCUSSION: The Board reviewed the entire budget with a few comments.

MOTION: Under Administration the salary amount will have to be increased to reflect the salary for the new town manager.

MOTION: Tim Pomerleau motioned to increase the Selectmen's salary to \$1200 per year because of the added time and expense involved with being a Selectman. Seconded by Michael McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED: Under Town Office there may have to be a heating oil increase because no one knows where the cost of that commodity will go.

The Insurance total will have to be reviewed because of the change in town manager salary. Computer Development and Services will have to be increased because the new system will increase the website to \$500/mo.

It was also discussed to just do the phone survey for the Comprehensive Plan instead of a bulk mailing of a survey.

Under Street Lights it was questioned whether the amount included the two new lights for Raymond Beach.

Under Public Works Mr. Pomerleau asked why the subcontracting account was increased while the crew was now back to three people. Mr. White indicated that the subcontracting amount was for one machine and driver so that they could do the North Raymond Road and the Cape Road projects next summer. Mr. White said he would review the numbers. Mr. Pomerleau asked why the money was requested for more road surveying. He wanted to know if this would be requested each year or if not then it should be an individual article and not included in the Public Works budget. Mr. White indicated that the road plan would need more surveying done to get information for future work. Mr. Pomerleau felt this could be requested as needed. Solid Waste will probably go up with new contracts. Mrs. Brown complained that the recycling truck left newspapers scattered the length of Anderson Road.

Under Cemeteries Mrs. McDermott warned that more money would have to be raised to purchase Veteran Flay holders, which was mandated by the State by May 1, 2001. So far about 1900 will be needed and the cost may be around \$10 each. Again Mrs. Brown said that the State should supply the money. She suggested asking Joe Bruno to look into it.

Parks. Mr. Pomerleau asked that the employees at Raymond Beach be reconsidered and that the money not used in the last budget be carried forward for any expense at the beach. He would even consider prohibiting swimming there at all. Mr. Acker agreed that two employees were more than necessary. Mrs. McDermott reported that the Tassel Top Park Committee didn't want their employees responsible for the beach.

Unclassifieds. Mrs. Cummings said that requests were still coming in and that there were several increases. This information would be finalized at a later date.

9. Selectmen's approval of the dollar amount to be transferred from the Public Works Account to the Insurance Account.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to transfer \$23,633.00 to the Insurance Account to cover the new employees. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

10. Abatements.

- a. Map 3, Lot 22 for \$1,500.46
- b. I0500P personal property for \$89.70
- c. Map 6, Lot 6 for \$1,760.54
- d. Map 15, Lot 7A for \$1,505.19
- e. Map 10, Lot 13 for \$78.87
- f. F1313P personal property for \$112.50 and past year \$106.86
- g. M0075P personal property for \$122.29

h. G0350P personal property for \$188.52

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the abatements. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

Supplemental Assessment for taking land out of Tree Growth.

a. Map 15, Lot 7A \$5411.00

b. Map 15, Lot 13 \$285.00

c. Map 18, Lot 29 and Map 18, Lot 29A for \$15,755.00

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to approve. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

11. Communications and other business.

a. Veterans' Day - the Town Office will be closed on Saturday.

b. Deputy Tax Collector will be out of the office for six to eight weeks for a medical reason.

c. Thanksgiving Holiday - the Town Office will be closed November 23 - 25th.

d. Louise Lester has received her Town Clerk certification through the Maine Town and City Clerks' Association. She is also this year's president of the Cumberland County Municipal Clerks' Association and has recently been elected as the second vice president of the Maine Town and City Clerks' Association.

12. Review and Authorize the November 6, 2000 Treasurer's Warrant.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant in the amount of \$58,356.04. Seconded by Mark Acker.

VOTE: Unanimous.

13. Adjourn.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Tim Pomerleau adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Louise H. Lester

Secretary