Town of Raymond Selectmen's Minutes Tuesday, March 6, 2001 Postponed until Thursday, March 8, 2001

Attendance: Tim Pomerleau, Chairman; Betty McDermott; Ada Brown; Michael McClellan; Linda Alexander and Lloyd Thompson, Cemetery Committee; Kathleen Brown, LRDC Director; John Kendall, CHIPCO; and Don Willard, Town Manager.

1. Call to order. Tim Pomerleau called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

2. Consideration of previous meeting minutes.

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MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Seconded by Ada Brown.

AMENDMENT: Tim Pomerleau found mistakes of: Page 1 that the word "absurdity" be changed to "a surety" and on page 2 "become" be changed to "became".

MOTION: Betty McDermott amended her motion to approve the Minutes with the changes stated. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: 3 in favor (McDermott, Brown, Pomerleau) 1 abstention (McClellan)

3. Community Development Block Grant Application for Economic Development update.

a. Possible extension of water utility from Windham to CHIPCO International to facilitate business development.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard noted that if the Town proceeds with the CDBG application and TIF bond that John Kendall would guarantee, by providing funds to be kept by the Town in the amount of \$30,000, that the amount needed to cover the bond payments would be available to the Town. This \$30,000 to be replenished by John Kendall on an annual basis if any is used. This agreement will be intact until all the personal property is installed and Mr. Kendall is paying taxes on it to cover the cost of the bond payment or until the bond is paid in full. Mrs. Brown asked if Mr. Kendall owns the CHIPCO property. Mr. Kendall replied that his family under the name Square J owns the property.

4. Vote on Articles 67 and 68 for the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Note: In order to include these Articles, a vote must be taken to include them.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to put Articles 67 and 68 on the Town Meeting Warrant. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned that the Selectmen recommend Article 67 for \$400,000 for economic development. Seconded by Michael McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned that the Selectmen recommend Article 68. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Cemetery Committee request for funds to purchase Veterans' Flag holders in order to be ready for Memorial Day 2001.

DISCUSSION: Linda Alexander questioned whether the Legislature has funded this requirement. Mr. Willard said that they would not fund the purchase of the grave markers. Mrs. Alexander said that the prices quoted by Joe Bruno were \$5.25 for aluminum and \$8.51 for bronze. The aluminum would cost \$1,391.25 for the 265 needed and in bronze \$2255.15.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to purchase bronze in the amount of \$2,255.15. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

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

MOTION DEFEATED

DISCUSSION: Lloyd Thompson felt it was imperative that the Town show the veterans that the Town cares and should purchase the markers and that the Committee would like to have the markers bronze.

MOTION: Tim Pomerleau motioned to purchase aluminum markers in the amount of \$1,391.25. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: 3 in favor (Pomerleau, Brown, McDermott) 1 opposed (McClellan)

6. Discussion of reuse or disposal of town owned modular classroom located at Jordan-Small School.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard gave the Selectmen his view of our choices which were to: 1) attach the modular to the current Town Office and remodel the current office space 2) sell the modular and hold the revenue to be used at a later date for a new town office building or repair the existing building, or 3) sell the modular and in the future the present Town Office and put the funds toward building a new town office. Mr. Willard noted that if a new town office was a possibility in the near future then it would not be prudent to spend the money to attach the modular to the current town office, however if it was not a possibility to have a new building, then the added space allowed by the modular would be useful.

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

VOTE: Unanimous.

7. Contract Assessor correspondence John E. O'Donnell and Associates.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to approve the increase of \$5,000 for O'Donnell's services. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to increase the Assessing Budget and Warrant Article by \$5,000. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

NOTE: The 2001-2002 Town Warrant and Budget will be amended to reflect this increase.

8. Sign March 16, 2001 Election Warrant and March 17, 2001 Town Meeting Warrant.

The Selectmen signed the Town Meeting and Election Warrants for posting.

9. Communications and other business.

a. Certificates of Appreciation.

The Chairman of the Selectmen signed certificates for Will Haskell (Planning Board) and Susan Maloney (Tassel Top Park).

10. Review and authorize the March 6, 2001 Treasurer's Warrant.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant in the amount of \$49,486.35. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

11. Adjourn. There was a motion and second to adjourn.

VOTE: Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Tim Pomerleau adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Louise H. Lester Deputy Town Clerk