Selectmen Meeting and
Public Hearing Minutes
Tuesday, September 3, 2002

Attendance: Ada Brown, Chairman; Betty McDermott; Charles Leavitt; Dana Desjardins; Christine McClellan; Kathleen Brown, LRDC Director; Gorrill-Palmer Engineers; Michael O'Donnell, O'Donnell Associates; and Don Willard, Town Manager.

OPENING: Ada Brown opened the public hearing at 7:00 pm at the Town Office.

PUBLIC HEARING
Town of Raymond 2001 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); Economic Development Infrastructure Program; Waterline Project; Project Status Report.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard reported that the water pipe was installed and the road work completed. The water main was operational from the Windham town line to Main Street (Route 121). The water main from Route 302 to the Public Safety Building was complete but still going through decontamination. There are 48 services installed. He noted that the contingency was not used because there was no blasting needed and that the project came in under budget. There were no public comments.

CLOSING: Ada Brown closed the public hearing.

Selectmen Meeting

1. Call to order.

2. Consideration of previous minutes:
   a. August 15, 2002

      MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to accept the Minutes as written. Seconded by Christine McClellan.

      VOTE: 4 in favor (McDermott, McClellan, Brown, Desjardins) 1 abstention (Leavitt)

   b. August 20, 2002

      MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to accept the Minutes as written. Seconded by Dana Desjardins.

      VOTE: Unanimous.

Route 302 Committee Update.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. McClellan, Chairman of the Route 302 Committee, explained that all but two temporary easements have been obtained. She requested that the project go out to bid. Ralph Norwood, Gorrill-Palmer, explained that the two easements needed are from Chipman’s Farm and Ray’s Barber Shop. Neither of them wanted to have a common driveway so the Committee feels that since they both now have a parking area with two access points it was felt that the two northerly access points on each property should be closed leaving the southerly access points for their entrance/exit.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Committee’s recommendation and start the bidding process for the project. Seconded by Christine McClellan.
VOTE: Unanimous.

2002-2003 Mil Rate

DISCUSSION: Mr. O'Donnell explained that in order to coordinate with the Tax Collector, Donna Lovely, he understands the need to set the mil rate before the third Tuesday in September but due to his schedule he doesn't see the way to have it ready for the first Tuesday in September. Therefore, he asked that the Selectmen set a range of value for the overlay which is a part of the mathematics to set the mil rate. He said that historically Raymond has set an overlay of between $15,000 and $40,000; he suggested a range of $20,000 to $40,000. He said that once the overlay is decided he could process the mil rate and have it ready for the third Tuesday, September 17th for their vote. The Selectmen agreed to have a range of $20,000 to $40,000 overlay. The mil rate will be set on September 17, 2002.

3. Consideration of the appointment to the Planning Board.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned that upon the recommendation of the Planning Board she would appoint Will Haskell to the Planning Board. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.


DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard explained that during their discussion last spring it was decided to wait until the new Public Safety Building was ready to approach the MDOT about a speed zoning review. It was felt that with the recent accident at Raymond Beach the request should be entered with the MDOT.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to request a speed zoning review for Route 302 from the intersection of Main Street (Route 121) to the intersection of Main Street and Deep Cove Road. Seconded by Dana Desjardins.

VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Video Broadcast review and update.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brown felt that the quality of the broadcasts has improved considerably. Mr. Willard informed the Selectmen that Mike Leonard of Time Warner has suggested getting an additional microphone for the Selectmen and also an audio compressor ($400.00) which will enhance the audio. The Selectmen felt that since Raymond won’t be using the digital equipment in the near future it would be wise to go the full extent to get the best reception available.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to purchase an additional microphone and the audio compressor. Seconded by Christine McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.


DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard announced that the low bid for the plow equipment etc for the new 1 ton truck was from Howard P. Fairfield at $26,685.00. Mrs. Brown said that McDonald Motors said the new truck should be delivered around September 15th.

MOTION: Dana Desjardins motioned to accept the bid from Howard P. Fairfield at $26,685.00. Seconded by Christine McClellan.
VOTE: Unanimous.

7. Old District One Fire Station Facility – expression of interest for lease, Pam Pelletier.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Pelletier requested that she be considered as a lessee for the old District One Fire Station to be used as a day care facility for infants and toddlers. She is presently working from her home and needs more room. Use during weekends might be for an enrichment program and other recreational activities. She said that she would need the construction information on the building in order to determine whether it would be feasible for her to renovate the property. The Selectmen felt that they would like to reserve the property until it is decided what could be done with it for future use by the Town.

8. Communications and other business.

   a. Mrs. Brown announced that it was Don Willard's Birthday and the Selectmen wished him well.

   b. Bond approval by the Selectmen.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard explained that the Selectmen should vote to accept the three bond issues and their values: 1) $606,000 to fund a capital improvement consisting of resurfacing of the Bridgton Road, Routes 35 and 302, and improvements of sidewalks, landscaping, curbing, drainage and access management; 2) $1,595,351 to fund a capital improvement consisting of a new public safety building project; 3) $885,463 to fund a capital improvement consisting of a public water line project.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to adopt the votes as recommended by the Town Attorney and approve the three bond issues:

That a $606,000 bond shall be issued to fund a capital improvement consisting of resurfacing of the Bridgton Road, Routes 35 and 302, and improvements of sidewalks, landscaping, curbing, drainage and access management in the form of a single registered bond under the proposed Loan Agreement with the Maine Municipal Bond Bank presented to this meeting and under votes of the legislative body duly adopted; that said Loan Agreement (including Exhibit A, which sets forth the maturity schedule, and Exhibit B, which sets forth the form of bond) is hereby approved; that the Clerk is directed to file a copy of said Loan Agreement with the records of this meeting; that the Treasurer and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen are authorized to execute and deliver the Loan Agreement and to cause the corporate seal to be affixed thereto and attested by the Town Clerk, although the attesting and affixing of the corporate seal thereto shall not be deemed essential to the validity of the Loan Agreement; and that the bonds are hereby sold to the Maine Municipal bond Bank at par.

And:

That a $1,595,351 bond shall be issued to fund a capital improvement consisting of a new public safety building project in the form of a single registered bond under the proposed Loan Agreement with the Maine Municipal Bond Bank presented to this meeting and under votes of the legislative body duly adopted; that said Loan Agreement (including Exhibit A, which sets forth the maturity schedule, and Exhibit B, which sets forth
the form of bond) is hereby approved; that the Clerk is directed to file a copy of said Loan Agreement with the records of this meeting; that the Treasurer and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen are authorized to execute and deliver the Loan Agreement and to cause the corporate seal to be affixed thereto and attested by the Town Clerk, although the attesting and affixing of the corporate seal thereto shall not be deemed essential to the validity of the Loan Agreement; and that the bonds are hereby sold to the Maine Municipal bond Bank at par.

And:

That a $885,463 bond shall be issued to fund a capital improvement consisting of a public water line project in the form of a single registered bond under the proposed Loan Agreement with the Maine Municipal Bond Bank presented to this meeting and under votes of the legislative body duly adopted; that said Loan Agreement (including Exhibit A, which sets forth the maturity schedule, and Exhibit B, which sets forth the form of bond) is hereby approved; that the Clerk is directed to file a copy of said Loan Agreement with the records of this meeting; that the Treasurer and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen are authorized to execute and deliver the Loan Agreement and to cause the corporate seal to be affixed thereto and attested by the Town Clerk, although the attesting and affixing of the corporate seal thereto shall not be deemed essential to the validity of the Loan Agreement; and that the bonds are hereby sold to the Maine Municipal bond Bank at par.

Seconded by Christine McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.

c. Cumberland County Sheriff’s Department.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard said that Cumberland County Sheriff’s Department was again interested in having a dispatch office in Raymond. They possibly would go one of two ways: 1) build, own and operate the dispatch office which would be attached to our new Public Safety Building (this would take a referendum vote for the entire Cumberland County to accept.) or 2) have a long term lease from the Town of Raymond for the additional space built by the Town attached to the new Public Safety Building. (This would allow the rental proceeds to pay for the additional expense in building the addition to the Public Safety Building.) Mr. Willard said he would keep the Selectmen informed of progress. Mr. Leavitt asked if the site can accept further expansion. Mr. Willard said that it would have to be determined and new permitting by the DEP approved. The CC Sheriff’s Department is potentially looking toward a complete patrol center which would allow Raymond very good police coverage.

d. Frye Island

UPDATE: Mr. Willard has not had any correspondence from Frye Island as yet.


NOTE: Mr. Willard reported that Jack Cooper has processed building permits for the last fiscal year for about $18.7 million.
f. ICMA Conference.

Mr. Willard announced that he would be attending the ICMA conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from September 29th through October 2nd.

g. Public Safety Building.

Mr. Willard announced that there would be a tour of the new Public Safety Building on September 10th at 5:30 pm.

h. Enterprise Park Tour.

Mr. Willard noted that the LRDC was hosting an enterprise park tour in Windham on September 5th at 10:00 am.

i. Portland Water District Tour.

Mr. Willard announced that there will be two tours of the Standish Portland Water District facility at 2:00 pm and at 7:00 pm.


MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Treasurer’s Warrant in the amount of $298,192.15. Seconded by Dana Desjardins.

VOTE: Unanimous.

10. Adjourn.

MOTION: Charles Leavitt motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Ada Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk