Selectmen Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, September 17, 2002

Attendance: Ada Brown, Chairman; Betty McDermott; Charles Leavitt; Dana Desjardins; Christine McClellan; Michael O’Donnell, O’Donnell Associates; and Don Willard, Town Manager.

1. Call to order. Ada Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Town Office.


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

VOTE: Unanimous.


DISCUSSION: Michael O’Donnell reported that with the overlay set at $28,335, the money reserved from the undesignated surplus account, and the increase in property valuation both property and personal property, the new mil rate could be set at 16.80.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to approve the mil rate at 16.80. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

Commitment papers were signed by the Selectmen.

NOTE: Mrs. Brown commented on the new comfortable chairs for the public to use in the meeting room. Mr. Willard said that there had been interest in the Casco/Raymond Historical Society using them but said that could be discussed at a later date.


MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to appoint Don Willard as the voting delegate at the MMA Convention. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Cancellation of October 1, 2002 Board of Selectmen Meeting.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brown said that since Mr. Willard will be away over October 1st at the ICMA Conference she would like to cancel the October 1st meeting until October 15th and since they will be meeting September 24th for a workshop have a Treasurer’s Warrant on the 24th.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to cancel the October 1, 2002 meeting. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

6. Communications and other business.

   a. Video Update.

   DISCUSSION: Don Willard reported that Louise Lester had asked a
company to estimate the cost of the equipment needed to improve the video audio output. He indicated that in order to add another microphone a new audio mixer would be needed because the present one only allows for six microphones. This purchase could be expensive and he would bring it back to the Selectmen when he receives the estimate. Mrs. Lester noted that if they chose to get a new audio mixer the salesman said that it would work on a digital system as well as the analogue which we now have.

Mr. Willard apologized for the video problem last Tuesday saying that the tape was delivered to Casco but it was not shown at the expected time. The Town Office in Casco has now installed software which will queue personnel in the office to start the tape in the future. In Raymond Mr. Alexander will use one tape per meeting instead of combining meetings on one tape which will prevent the incorrect meeting being broadcast.

b. Route 302 Project.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard said that he would tell Gorrill-Palmer Engineers to put the project out to bid. Mrs. McClellan felt that the two remaining easement problems can be resolved and that the project can go forward.

7. Review and authorize September 17, 2002 Treasurer’s Warrant.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Treasurer’s Warrant in the amount of $89,289.26. Seconded by Christine McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.

NOTE: Dana Desjardins thanked the Jordan-Small Middle School and the Raymond Elementary School for their organization of the September 11th ceremonies and for their generous money contributions to the Raymond Fire Department.

8. Adjourn.

MOTION: Dana Desjardins motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Charles Leavitt.

VOTE: Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Ada Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:16 pm.

Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk