

Town of Raymond  
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Selectmen Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, August 3, 2004

Members present: Ada Brown, Vice Chairman; Chris McClellan; Mark Gendron; and Mike Reynolds.

Staff present: Don Willard, Town Manager; and Jack Cooper, Code Enforcement Officer.

Others present: Dana Desjardins; Denis Morse, Fire Chief; Ken Walker; and John Balantine, Lake Region Suburban News.

1. Call to order. Ada Brown, Vice Chairman, opened the meeting at 7:00 pm at the Town Office.
2. Consideration of previous minutes dated: a.) July 6, 2004; and  
b.) July 20, 2004.

Mr. Reynolds questioned the minutes from July 20<sup>th</sup> because it had text missing. Mr. Willard apologized and said that the error was in the photo coping of the minutes and the corrected version was in the Selectmen's boxes.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to accept the minutes of July 6, 2004 as written. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: 3 in favor (McClellan, Gendron, Brown) 1 abstention (Mike Reynolds because he had been absent from that meeting.)

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to table the minutes of July 20, 2004 because of a lack of quorum. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

VOTE: Unanimous.

3. Consideration of new street names – Code Enforcement Officer Jack Cooper.

- a. Wolanski Way or Lisajoe Lane - Off Ai Rd. - FL 93EE

DISCUSSION: Mr. Cooper explained that these are two new streets and the resident's preference are in the order of their choices.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to approve Wolanski Way. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

VOTE: Unanimous.

b. Beaulieu Blvd., Beaulieu Way, or Log Home Lane - Off Farwell Dr. FL 258A

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to approve Beaulieu Blvd. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

VOTE: Unanimous.

4. Consideration of Route 302 & You Committee appointment – Michael McClellan, Executive Director, Greater Bridgton Lake Region Chamber of Commerce.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard explained that Mr. McClellan has been very active in the planning of Raymond's section of Route 302 and he recommended appointing Mr. McClellan to this committee. Mr. Willard noted that Mr. McClellan would have attended this meeting but he was not feeling well.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to appoint Mike McClellan to the Route 302 & You Committee. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

VOTE: Unanimous.

5. Consideration of Beautification Committee appointment – Mary Lentine.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard said she has been very active and he recommended her appointment. Mrs. McClellan said that the Committee is adopting a "Walk and Weed" program along Route 302 to help maintain the landscaping and those ladies who have been doing all the work this summer. She hoped that strollers along Route 302 would stop occasionally and do some weeding.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to appointment Mary Lentine to the Beautification Committee. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous.

6. Maine Municipal Association Annual Mail Voting Ballot for 2005 Slate of Executive Committee and Association Officers.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard noted that this was an annual ballot and he presented this year's slate of officers for their consideration. He recommended the slate of officers.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to approve the slate of officers. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

VOTE: Unanimous.

7. Maine Municipal Association Ballot for Election to Legislative Policy Committee.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard noted that the Selectmen had endorsed Tony Plante, Town Manager of Windham, and now had for consideration Gordon Billington, Town Manager of Standish, as Legislative Policy Committee members for 2 year terms.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to endorse Tony Plante and Gordon Billington to the MMA Legislative Policy Committee. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

VOTE: Unanimous.

8. Communications and other business.

a. New Speed Limits:

Mr. Willard reviewed the new and/or corrected speed limits from the MDOT.

- Meadow Road or Route 121 corrections between 35 and 50 mph.
- Egypt Road new speed limit of 45 mph.
- Brown Road new speed limit of 30 mph
- Conesca Road new speed limit of 40 mph.

a. Comprehensive Plan public hearing and special town meeting.

Mr. Willard reviewed the dates and times of these meetings. Public Hearing September 9, 2004 at Jordan-Small Middle School at 7:00 pm and then the Special Town Meeting October 14, 2004 at Jordan-Small Middle School at 7:00 pm.

- b. Mr. Gendron distributed a summary of his ideas for the One Raymond Committee which will appear in the August Roadrunner. The Committee also needs to know in what direction the Selectmen want the Committee to go. Their idea is to have a mailing to approximately 500 people which will include an invitation to a fact finding meeting as well as a few questions to allow the participants time to think of their desires in this direction. Susan Gendron will act as moderator to start the evening and then the group will break into smaller groups for more fact finding at which time the groups would come back together for discussion of those things brought up in the small groups. The mailing will go to anyone who would like to be involved as well as some people from the membership of town groups. Mr. Reynolds asked how the Selectmen need to act on this. Mr. Willard felt that the Selectmen have been in favor and probably this could proceed as planned. Mrs. Lester asked how the mailing would be financed and Mr. Gendron felt that donations would be enjoyed. Mr. Willard said that it probably would be shared between the town and the school.
- c. Mr. Reynolds asked how last year's budget finished. Mr. Willard said that he could schedule a review for their next meeting. Mr. Reynolds asked that this be done. Mr. Willard said that the Finance Director could probably attend.
- d. Dana Desjardins asked about the road work on Raymond Hill and some other town roads. He asked if the new backhoe had been purchased. He wanted to know why

the Public Works crew was working with a private contractor on this work. He felt that Raymond should be able to do its own ditching and culvert installation. Mr. Willard said that they have been using an excavator and not the backhoe for time and efficiency. Mr. Desjardins asked if the new backhoe would be large enough to do this work. Mr. Willard said that it would be but that most likely we would continue to hire equipment, which would be more efficient. Mr. Desjardins asked why that equipment, which isn't used all the time, be sold and then rented when necessary. He had concern for the large pieces which were housed outdoors. Mr. Willard said that what the town now owns is worth more to keep than to sell. He added that the bulldozer would be going to auction. Mr. Willard expressed concern that some of our equipment was kept outside but said that there was no place to get it under cover. Mr. Desjardins said he would like to see the Public Works Department doing more in Raymond. Mr. Willard said that we're presently going to bid on the backhoe. He noted that if necessary flaggers are hired instead of having the crew do it. He continued that he would look into doing more with town equipment and manpower if the Selectmen deem it advisable but felt that for major roadwork the best effort is probably done by utilizing outside contractors.

9. Review and authorize Payroll and Treasurer's Warrants dated June 30, 2004 and August 3, 2004.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant for June 30, 2004 in the amount of \$2,937.89. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to approve the Payroll Warrant for August 3, 2004 in the amount of \$45,787.34. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant for August 3, 2004 in the amount of \$76,033.85. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous.

10. Adjourn.

MOTION: Christine McClellan motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Ada Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:37 PM.

Louise H. Lester  
Town Clerk