ATTENDANCE:  Mark Gendron, Chairman; Joe Bruno; Dana Desjardins; Lonnie Taylor; and Mike Reynolds.

SELECTMEN ABSENT:  None

STAFF ATTENDANCE:  Don Willard, Town Manager; Jack Cooper, Code Enforcement Officer; and Mike O’Donnell, Assessor.

OTHERS: Pam Larracey; Peter Walgreen, Raymond Rec; and Charles Leavitt

1) Call to order.  Mark Gendron called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Broadcast Studio.

   MOTION:  Mike Reynolds motioned to approve the minutes of April 3, 2007 as written.  Seconded by Joe Bruno.
   VOTE:  4 in favor (Reynolds, Bruno, Gendron, Desjardins) 1 abstention (Taylor)
   MOTION:  Mike Reynolds motioned to approve the minutes of April 12, 2007 as written.  Seconded by Joe Bruno.
   VOTE:  4 in favor (Reynolds, Bruno, Gendron, Desjardins) 1 abstention (Taylor)

3) New business.

   a) Consider fund request from Luther Gulick Fund for 2007 ski program – Peter Walgreen, Raymond Recreation Association

   DISCUSSION:  Mr. Walgreen explained that this would be a grant to help support the Friday Night Skiing Program which is non-profit and last year provided 75 children with skiing.  He said this winter’s program was short $775.  He said that the total budget is about $13,000.  Mr. Desjardins asked why other sports in Raymond Rec don’t help pay for this overage.  Mr. Walgreen said that they didn’t want to take revenue from the other sports.  He added that the children pay exactly what the ski mountain charges, and Raymond Rec supports the transportation.

   MOTION:  Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve a grant for $775 to Friday Night Skiing from the Luther Gulick Fund.  Seconded by Dana Desjardins.
   VOTE:  4 in favor (Taylor, Desjardins, Bruno, Gendron) 1 abstention (Reynolds).

   b) Consideration of ballot clerk appointments - Town Clerk Louise Lester
MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to appoint the ballot clerks on the submitted list. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: Unanimous 5-0

c) Consideration of election warrant – Town Clerk Louise Lester

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to approve the warrant for the 2007 Town Election. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: Unanimous 5-0.

d) One Raymond Committee Update – Mark Gendron & Dana Desjardins, Co-Chairs

None.


DISCUSSION: Mr. O’Donnell submitted the abatements for consideration saying that two were from 2005 and the rest 2006.

2005 tax year
Map 26, Lot 14 abated value $25,600
Map 26, Lot 19 abated value $70,000

2006 tax year
Map 26, Lot 14 abated value $2,600
Map 26, Lot 19 abated value $35,000
V0002P personal property abated value $11,760
Map 54, Lot 52 abated value $13,000
Map 7, Lot 11 abated value $54,900
Map 74, Lot 14 abated value $56,100
Map 74, Lot 12A abated value $221,000
Map 10, Lot 117 abated value $13,000
Map 31, Lot 41 abated value $5,000
Map 11, Lot 41E abated value $161,700
Map 57, Lot 2 abated value $315,900

MOTION: Dana Desjardins motioned to approve the 2 submitted abatements from 2005. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: Unanimous 5-0

MOTION: Mike Reynolds motioned to approve the 11 submitted abatements from 2006. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: Unanimous 5-0

4) Old (unfinished) business.

a) Consideration of temporary seasonal business permit for Pam Larracey, dba Anytime Subs & Wraps – Jack Cooper, Code Enforcement Officer
DISCUSSION: Mr. Gendron noted that the Selectmen had received letters from abutters and the Fire Department saying that there were no objections. However, the Fire Department made their recommendation provided that Anytime Subs & Wraps passed all code inspections.

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to approve the business permit for Anytime Subs & Wraps. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

AMENDMENT: Mr. Bruno amended the motion to say that this would be contingent on their passing all inspections.

Mr. Cooper said that basically the inspection would be on electrical hookups which the State Fire Marshall would inspect.

VOTE: Unanimous 5-0

5) Town Manager Report and Communications.

   a. Route 302 seasonal clean up
   Mr. Willard reported that they received three bids of which LCE Landscaping, Raymond, was low bidder in the amount of $8,600, and was awarded the job. He noted that the specifications were upgraded from last year.

   He added that the Beautification Committee met this morning to plan the year’s work. They need more people to adopt gardens.

   b. New Town Office Sign
   Mr. Willard announced that Kyle Woodbrey’s, Eagle Scout project, sign was up and will be finished soon. He added that it would take digital white board technology in the future.

   c. Town Meeting
   Mr. Willard announced that the Town Elections will be May 18, 2007 from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Jordan Small Middle School, and Town Meeting will be May 19, 2007 beginning at 10:00 am at JSMS.

   d. Storm cleanup
   Mr. Willard explained that P&K Sand and Gravel and Dwaine Buzzell Contracting helped Public Works with the cleanup in order to make roads passable. He explained that people who have private roads/property should contact Bruce Tupper, Assistant Fire Chief, at the Public Safety Building or Don Willard, Town Manager, at the Town Office to be put on a list in order to be included in the damage estimate. So far the estimate is about $90,000 in private property damage and town damage about $150,000. Currently the towns are looking toward FEMA for grants. At this time there are no private property grants offered, but they are working on it.

   e. School Budget
   Charles Leavitt announced that the School Board would be reviewing their 2007-2008 budget May 2, 2007 beginning at 6:30 pm at the Broadcast Studio.

   Mr. Leavitt asked about the Selectmen’s final vote on the warrant articles. Mr. Gendron replied that he voted against the motion because he didn’t want to have a recommendation on each warrant article but he was in favor of supporting the Budget
Finance Committee’s recommendation. He also explained that Mr. Taylor had voted on
that motion before the 24 hours had elapsed, and he was in the affirmative which made
the vote unanimous 5-0.

f. Dana Desjardins asked that the Board of Selectmen send a letter of condolence
to the Casco resident who recently died in Afghanistan. Mr. Willard said that he would
arrange it.


MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Payroll Warrant in the amount of
$79,069.78. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.
VOTE: Unanimous 5-0

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Treasurers Warrant in the amount of
$141,807.21. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.
VOTE: Unanimous 5-0

DISCUSSION: Mr. Taylor announced that Raymond Baseball had started its season and
they need help on the fields and can use volunteers. He noted that the concession/storage
building at Sheri Gagnon Park was being built with cement block and donated stainless
steel doors from Overhead Doors. He said they needed help with raking of fields at
JSMS, Sheri Gagnon, and Camp Hinds. They will commence at about 8:00 AM
beginning at the Mill Street field. He asked that people bring hand tools i.e. rakes. Mr.
Desjardins added that they need to make a decision on whether they have a grass or a dirt
infield. Mr. Taylor would like grass infields because it’s safer and the balls are slowed
down as they roll over it, but it’s more expensive to maintain.

7) Adjournment.
MOTION: Mike Reynolds motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

ADJOURNMENT: Mark Gendron adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.

Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk