BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES
Tuesday, June 19, 2007
*Amended July 10, 2007

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

SELECTMEN ABSENT: Dana Desjardins

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Don Willard, Town Manager; Nathan White, Public Works Director; Denis Morse, and Fire Chief; Bruce Tupper, Assistant Fire Chief;

OTHERS: Bill Bell; Kyle Woodbrey, Eagle Scout candidate; Eric Woodbrey; Vicki Woodbrey; Kevin Woodbrey; and Dave Cobb, Maine Radio.

1) Call to order. Mark Gendron called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm at the Broadcast Studio.


MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.
VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

3) New business.

a) Town Office Sign Project final presentation – Kyle Woodbrey
DISCUSSION: Eagle Scout candidate Kyle Woodbrey reviewed the progress of the new sign in front of the Town Office. He said that the sign is finished for his Eagle Scout project and this is the final review of his project. Kyle gave the Board of Selectmen a plaque naming all the people who helped with the sign.

b) Radio tower update – Fire Chief Denis Morse
DISCUSSION: Chief Morse described the pursuit of space on the WGME tower to have a cost efficient system which can be expanded for communications. He said the repeaters were filled and Federal bands will be changing in the next ten years. They looked at Ganderbrook and sites on the Cape. They have found a system which will be expandable for portable radio coverage. The Town Office antenna gets out to everyone but not back from them. The Department wants to develop multiple receivers around town which will forward the signal to dispatch from the Town Office antenna. Dave Cobb, Maine Radio added that they need to look at the Town Office antenna for any repairs needed to begin and then use it to locate the other repeaters. Mr. Gendron noted that Cumberland County is having trouble talking to all their portable units. Chief Morse said they are using cell phones and aren’t using our frequency. They will be using the Quaker Ridge tower. Communication is needed for school bus, public works and fire/rescue
communications. Mr. Bruno asked if the tower was secure enough. Mr. Cobb said that they have evaluated the tower, and it will need to be re-anchored and *updated to current specifications. Chief Morse said this would keep us for 15 to 20 years. Our topography makes Raymond a very difficult place to cover. Our low signal will allow us not to compete with other radio systems in and out of state. Chief Morse said that this should cover the entire town from any reasonable location. Chief Morse asked to go forward with this work.

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to pursue inspecting and rebuilding, fixing and developing a procedure with a new communications system. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.
VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

DISCUSSION: Chief Morse added they are on line with Naples nights beginning two weeks ago. They are keeping the Raymond Dispatch as a backup and one evening our dispatch helped to cover during a busy time. They will have a CAD system for property location. The second half of the changeover will begin next fall. Mr. Gendron thanked everyone involved for their work in the consolidation of services. He added there is mutual respect for area fire/rescue.

August 7, 2007 Special Town Meeting warrant article for consideration - amendments to the Raymond Land Use Ordinance – Town Clerk Louise Lester 7:40 pm

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to order a special town meeting to vote on the Land Use Ordinance, and the signing of the warrant for said meeting. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

NOTE: The Selectmen signed the Special Town Meeting warrant for Tuesday, August 7, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Broadcast Studio.

d) Town of Raymond fiscal 2007/2008 fee schedule for review and approval – Town Clerk Louise Lester

MOTION: Mike Reynolds motioned to approve the 2007-2008 fee schedule as presented. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.
VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

d) One Raymond Committee Update – Mark Gendron & Dana Desjardins, Co-Chairs
None


- Map 8, Lot 65A $667.09
- Map 23, Lot 9 $1,002.66
- A0100P Personal Property $315.50
- A1001P Personal Property $340.22
- C0500P Personal Property $101.20
F0001P Personal Property $147.00
G1030P Personal Property $191.00
L5416P Personal Property $155.34

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to accept the abatements submitted by Mike O’Donnell, contract assessor. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.  
VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

4) Old (unfinished) business. 7:49 pm

a) Veterans’ Memorial gaining some attention.  
Mr. Willard said that there have been some very positive comments made about the memorial and many people have visited the park.

5) Town Manager Report and Communications.

a. Ambar 900 Coast Guard boat.
Mr. Willard announced that with help from our US Senators Snowe and Collins Raymond could purchase this boat from State Surplus for $14,132. He said there are 7 towns bordering on Sebago Lake who have sent letters of support, Cumberland County is also interested. Portland Water District has pledged $3,000 for operations. The boat will be housed at the Raymond Public Safety Building. It will be paid for with this year’s revenue - undesignated surplus for $4,002.14, Sebago Water Safety Watch budget $3,000, and $7,129.86 from the Fire Department equipment reserve. Our old boat will be sold and revenue from that will go to replenish the Fire Department Reserve Account. The 2007-2008 undesignated fund balance will replenish the Fire Reserve for the remainder. Mr. Gendron felt this was a good rescue boat and will be most valuable. Mr. Bruno reported that he called the manufacturer who said this boat, depending on options, would cost new $150,000 to $200,000. He said that Don’s work and the US Senators’ support are those to thank. Mr. Gendron asked that certificates of thanks be given them. Mr. Bruno saw it as a very safe boat. Mr. Gendron noted it has a winch on the transom which may be the only one like it on Sebago.

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to purchase the Ambar 900 for Raymond as an asset. The price to be paid with this year’s revenue undesignated surplus for $4,002.14, Sebago Water Safety Watch budget $3,000, and $7,129.86 from the Fire Department equipment reserve. Our old boat will be sold and revenue from that will go to replenish the Fire Department Reserve Account. The 2007-2008 undesignated fund balance will replenish the Fire Reserve for the remainder. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.

DISCUSSION: Chief Morse explained that he had a discussion with the IF&W about their use of the Ambar for their work. Cumberland County will move their boat to the ocean from Windham. This boat will be on Sebago Lake, and our Zodiac will be given to Mariaville, Maine, Hancock County, population 517. There will be a Boston Whaler, which we currently own, for use on our ponds.

ADDITION TO MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to add to the motion that the Zodiac will be *sold to Mariaville for $1.00 when Raymond no longer needs it. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.
DISCUSSION: Mr. Reynolds suggested they try to arrange a picture op for the Senators with the boat to promote regionalization. Someone has sent a press release to the Press Herald already. Chief Morse said he would approach the camps on Sebago about a slip to secure the boat or at Frye Island if they wish to join us. Mr. Gendron felt it might be possible to tie it at the Veterans’ Memorial Park with suitable dockage.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0


MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Payroll warrant in the amount of $44,943.68. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.
VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Treasurers warrant in the amount of $177,177.51. Seconded by Mike Reynolds.
VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

7) Adjournment.
MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.
VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

ADJOURNMENT: Mark Gendron adjourned the meeting at 8:09 pm.

Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk