

TOWN OF RAYMOND
401 Webbs Mills Road
Raymond, Maine 04071

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES
Tuesday, June 16, 2009

SELECTMEN ATTENDANCE: Joe Bruno, Vice Chairman; Mark Gendron; Lonnie Taylor; and Dana Desjardins

SELECTMEN ABSENT: Mike Reynolds

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Don Willard, Town Manager; and Noralee Raymond, Raymond Waterways.

OTHERS: Christine McClellan, CPIC chairman; and Eldon Lingwood, Crescent Lake Watershed Assoc.

1. Call to order. Mr. Bruno called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Broadcast Studio.
2. Minutes of previous meeting May 19, 2009.

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Minutes of May 19, 2009 as written. Seconded by Dana Desjardins.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

3. New business:
 - a. CPIC budget update – Chair of Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee Christine McClellan.

DISCUSSION: Christine McClellan, Chairman of the CPIC, reviewed the passage of ordinances at the Annual Town Meeting on June 9, 2009. She asked that a series of Roosevelt Trail Commercial District photographs be displayed at the Town Office. She said that for this year's budget 2008-2009, CPIC is \$3,016 over budget. She said that the overage was in consultation and legal expenses. She reviewed their work as to why this happened. She added that this year's budget 2009-2010 has \$5,000 for further cleanup work of the ordinances which should not be expensive. She felt that after this work is complete this fall the CPIC group would disband. Mr. Desjardins commented that he felt the Comprehensive Plan process was too short a time in between updates, and that the state should direct them to be every 15 or 20 years. Mr. Bruno felt that this shortfall should be covered in the current fiscal year.

- b. Brief update on conservation projects of the Raymond Waterways Protective Association – Executive Director Noralee Raymond.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Raymond said she would speak about the Panther Pond Conservation Project and the Panther Pond Association. Phase 1 fixed 46 sites of 84 found around the lake. The grants were federal, state, and local matching funds. She said that any work on private property must have a 50% match from the landowner. Phase II has been applied for and will be done during the 2009/2010 year for 33 sites. This will need a 40% local match which should be supplied by the 50% match from property owners.

The Raymond Pond Conservation Project has 30 sites for mitigation which will be worked on this year.

- c. Introduction of the new Crescent Lake Watershed Association and their activities – Eldon Lingwood

DISCUSSION: Mr. Lingwood said that the organization is less than a year old and wants to follow the work done on Panther and Raymond Ponds. He said that 50% of Crescent Lake is shallow at 15 feet or less which is a prime area for milfoil to grow. He said that their intent is to partner with landowners to improve their areas. They are tracking water quality as well so that they have a benchmark to judge from in the future. They want more volunteers to check trailers and boats being launched at the ramp on Webbs Mills Road (Rt. 85) for milfoil and other invasive plants. They have 15 sites to begin their work. Mr. Desjardins asked if they used the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District. Ms. Raymond replied that they did and usually it was their engineers who looked at sites for recommendations.

- d. Discussion of policy for use of public spaces – Town Manager Don Willard.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard said that there are infrequent requests to use town owned or maintained areas. He asked that there be a policy formed as a guideline for town owned or maintained land. Permission for usage would come from the groups responsible for those areas with final approval by the Selectmen. Mr. Desjardins had concern that a request would have to go through too many bodies before they received an answer and felt that a two-month lead-time was too long. Mr. Gendron indicated that a two-month lead-time was necessary to make plans. He felt that most people knew months in advance that they wanted to use public property. Mr. Bruno said that it could all be done through the town office and never come before the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Desjardins agreed as long as liquor was not involved. If there was liquor that would have to be dealt with by the Selectmen. Mr. Bruno said that the policy should state what the town office i.e. the town manager can approve on his own and indicate what would have to come to the Selectmen. The Selectmen asked to have a policy formed for them to vote on at their next meeting.

4. Old (unfinished) business.
 - a. None
5. Town Manager Report and Communications.

NOTE: Mr. Willard thanked Mike Reynolds, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and the town employees for keeping business in order while he was out on medical leave.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Mr. Bruno read Mark Gendron's letter of resignation to the Board of Selectmen as of the 2009 November election.

REQUEST: Mr. Bruno asked to limit the emails between Selectmen on town subjects because it fringes on an unnoticed meeting. He felt that emails should be kept for business only and not enter into personal issues.

- a. Next meeting date – July 14, 2009

6. Fiscal Warrants – Payroll and Appropriation Warrants – June 16, 2009.

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$43,236.26. Seconded by Joe Bruno.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant in the amount of \$93,030.78. Seconded by Joe Bruno.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

NOTICE: A meeting for Raymond Pond work will be August 9, 2009 at 1:00 pm. Anyone is welcome to help.

7. Adjournment

MOTION: Dana Desjardins motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

ADJOURNMENT: Joe Bruno adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.

Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk