SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Present: Chairman Sam Gifford, Vice Chairman Lonnie Taylor, Parliamentarian Joe Bruno, Mike Reynolds and Teresa Sadak.

Absent: None.

Staff: Don Willard, Town Manager; Jim Seymour, Contract planner; Curt Lebel, Contract Assessor; Nathan White, Public Works Director; Bruce Tupper, Fire Chief; Louise Lester, Town Clerk; and Danielle Loring, Recording Secretary.

Other: Charles Leavitt and Dana Desjardins.

1) Call to order: Chairman Gifford called the meeting to order at 6:58pm.

2) New Business.

a) Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(E): Consultation with Town Attorney and Planner Regarding Pending Legal Matter

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(E) for Consultation with Town Attorney and Planner regarding pending legal matter; seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

Chairman Gifford announced that the Board was in Executive Session at 6:59 pm.

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to come out of Executive Session; seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

Chairman Sam Gifford announced that the Board was out of Executive Session at 7:12 pm.

b) Consideration of Abatement as Submitted by Contract Assessor Curt Lebel

Mr. Lebel explained that he was recommending the denial of a tax abatement filled for reasons submitted in the ePacket.

MOTION: Mike Reynolds motioned not to approve the abatement request for LAPCO LLC; seconded by Teresa Sadak.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

c) Consideration and Setting Public Hearing for Community Park (IRT) Project
Mr. Reynolds explained that part of the budget process included a warrant article for a bond for a community park through the IRT program. He was offering that the Board hold an informational public hearing on May 22nd at 7pm the JSMS.

MOTION: Mike Reynolds motioned to approve a public hearing for a Public Hearing for the Raymond Community Park/IRT projects on May 22nd.

Charles Leavitt stated that though the Board was going to hold public hearing on 22nd he felt that it was much more important for people to attend the June 3rd town meeting and recommended that people vote “no.”

Dana Desjardins explained that Joyce Charette was selling land abutting the Mill Street property and felt that it was a better location for the community park. He felt that the other location (Egypt Road) was out of the way.

d) Consideration of Quit Claim Deed as Submitted by Deputy Tax Collector Sue Carr
   • Terri-Lee & John A. Peterson (F3002R)
     6 Shore Road
     Map 078, Lot 003

MOTION: Mike Reynolds motioned to approve the Quit Claim Deed as presented; seconded by Teresa Sadak.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

e) Approval and Signing of 2014 Annual Town Meeting Warrant – Board of Selectmen

MOTION: Mike Reynolds motioned to approve Annual Town Meeting Warrant; seconded by Teresa Sadak.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

3) Public Comment

   Charles Leavitt, 14 Leavitt Road:

Mr. Leavitt felt that there was a lack of trust in recent budget process. He was concerned with use of undesignated fund balance, increasing LD1 limits, and approval process in utilizing town meeting versus polls.

4) Selectmen Comment

   a) Mike Reynolds – Raymond Village Library

Mr. Reynolds explained that the Library had had over 1,500 volunteer hours a library and was on track to exceed 2,000 in the coming year. He continued that the annual Plant Sale was on June 6th from 7am to 11am and there was a “Get Caught Reading” photo contest that was also going on.

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Mr. Reynolds announced that the library was looking for 2015 Garden Tour volunteers/properties and that they would be visiting potential gardens in June 2014. He added that the Raymond Village Bizarre was on June 21st.

b) Sam Gifford – Letter from Eric Tarbox

Mr. Gifford read a letter from Eric Tarbox regarding comments made by Mr. Desjardins about Camp Hinds.

c) Lonnie Taylor – Letter from Kevin Gagnon

Mr. Taylor read a letter from Kevin Gagnon regarding positive direction of town. Mr. Bruno commented that he enjoyed hearing positive comments regarding the town’s business and direction. Mr. Taylor agreed and thanked Mr. Gagnon for taking the time to read the letter.

*Town Manager's Report

- Nomination papers due
- Scholarships due
- Candidates night 5/5
- Absentee voting starts 5/9
- Welcome to Raymond Brochure
- Business Section Website
- Ford Expedition replaced sooner than planned
- Community Park Public Hearing

*Expense Warrants

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to accept the Payroll Expense Summary, dated April 22, 2014, in the amount of $44,580.85; seconded by Teresa Sadak.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to accept the Treasurer's Warrant, dated April 22, 2014, in the amount of $151,082.20; seconded by Teresa Sadak.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

5) Adjournment.

MOTION: Teresa Sadak motioned to adjourn; seconded by Joe Bruno.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL (5/0)

Chairman Sam Gifford adjourned the meeting at 7:41 pm.

Danielle Loring
Recording Secretary

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