

Raymond Ethics Committee
October 28, 2003

- I. Co-Chair Pat Larney opened the meeting of the Raymond Ethics Committee at 6:30 on October 28, 2003 at Raymond Town Hall.

Also present were:

Sandy Ellis
Emery Landis
Marilyn Semple

Excused: Gretchen Gott

There were no members of the public present. The meeting was televised by RCTV. The cameraman was Craig Fauth.

- II. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. A proof of posting of the meeting was reviewed.

- III. The minutes of the October 14th meeting were reviewed and amended to reflect that it was Pat Larney and Sandy Ellis who presented to the Planning Board, and that it was to be Pat Larney (not Sandy Ellis) who would send reminders to the committees that we had not yet heard from. Motion made by Marilyn and seconded by Sandy that the minutes be approved as amended. Motion Passed. Pat Larney abstained.

- IV. Old Business: Pat passed out a copy of the memo he sent to the town boards of Budget, Recreation, Solid Waste and Cable, requesting time for a training session (see attached). The only scheduled session at this point is with the ZBA on November 12 at 7:00. A reminder will also be sent to Rick Bates re: training with the department heads and employees. Once training sessions are completed, we will review the training procedures and make recommendations for next year.

- V. New Business: An email inquiry was received on 10/16/03 from Budget Committee member Gail Columbus (see attached). She was invited to this evening's meeting to elaborate on her concerns. In her absence, it was difficult for the Board to determine exactly where Ms. Columbus felt the violation may possibly occur. The Board felt strongly that they appreciated her questioning a potential situation, but since all the data at issue is public information, there would be no violation of confidential material. Emery will respond to Ms. Columbus informing her of our decision.

A discussion followed addressing what our practices should be as individual members of the Board when an inquiry is received. It was agreed that we would not conduct separate investigations of the issues being raised, and would wait till the material is presented to the whole board.

- VI. November meetings, at this time, are scheduled for 11/11 and 11/25. Sandy reminded the board that one of our charges is to establish the procedures that would be followed in the

event of a formal complaint. Sandy offered to review some documents she has and bring this information to the next meeting.

VII. Marilyn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Emery. Meeting was adjourned at 7:23.

Respectfully submitted.

Marilyn Semple