

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES OF 11-15-04      APPROVED**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Raymond High School Media Center by Chairman Jonathan Wood. Members present: Norman Weldy, Paul Brown and Jack Barnes. Absent: Dick Wood. Also present: Town Manager Rick Bates.

Chairman Wood opened the Public forum part of the meeting, requesting anyone who wished to speak to come forward and state their name.

**Public Forum**

Frank Bishop came forward to discuss the contract with Daedalus for the Monument. Daedalus had concerns about the scaffolding, since they are going to be taking the monument from Raymond to their shop, they will not need scaffolding. They also had questions about the expenses for travel, etc. Mr. Bishop stated he spoke to Daedalus about this. Their price is \$33,518. The fact that they are not going to be utilizing scaffolding will be eaten up by the cost of transporting it down and bringing it back. Mr. Bishop asked Town Manager Bates if he has a copy of the new contract. Town Manager Bates stated that Denise has it. Daedalus wants the contract to read that it is a fixed price of \$33,518. Mr. Bishop stated that back in 1999 we got an estimate from them for "x" amount of dollars and they had their budget in there to what it all came to. In July or August of 2003 when Mr. Bishop spoke to them to get a quote on how much it would be to have the work done today their quote was \$33,518. Later in the year, perhaps November, Mr. Bishop called them again when he realized he would not be able to get it done until this year or next year, so they locked the price in for 2004 and 2005. Even though Mr. Bishop thought that he would be able to get a hold of a crane and save money, it does not appear that that is going to make much difference. They have a set price to do the job and Mr. Bishop suggests that we contract at that price and get it over with. Mr. Bishop stated that perhaps something should be written in the contract that the fee is a fixed \$33,518, and it will not exceed that amount. Chairman J. Wood stated that it was the Board's intent to pay the \$33,518 for the restoration project. Town Manager Bates stated it would make sense to go with having them remove it and do the whole job start to finish. Chairman J. Wood stated that is fine. The Board agrees with the above. Town Manager Bates stated that because the contract is written between the Town, the Finance Director has requested the money that was raised be given to her for deposit into the Town Account so that she can draw checks on it. Mr. Bishop stated withdrawal of the money will be done at the appropriate time and given to the Town. The Board thanked Frank for his time.

Chairman J. Wood asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak in the public forum?

Thomas Kearney, 36 John Street, came forward to speak. He voiced his discontent with the Board over the budget and the pay-as-you-throw program as the voters have voted this down twice before.

Chairman J. Wood asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak in the public forum? Hearing none, Chairman J. Wood closed the public forum.

## **Public Hearing**

Acceptance of Donations to the Recreation Department.

Town Manager Bates stated there is a list of donations made to the Recreation Department over the last two quarters. Town Manager Bates stated he will make sure that this is done as they come in, as this is getting to be a long list, totaling \$10,950. The following is a list of who has donated.

B.J. Carpet; Unital, Howard & Company CPAs; Blaisdell Survey, LLC; Lang's Apartments; Pine Acres Family Campground; Jerry Zimmel Insurance & Finance; Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella; Judy Sullivan; Andrew Harmon; DF Richard Energy; L.C. Reed & Sons, Inc.; Caroline Crossland/RH Crossland; Aggregate Industries; Anonymous; Kingston Area Junior Women's; Mrs. Beverly Dantos; Raymond Soccer Club; Congregational Church of Raymond; The Congregational Church of Raymond; Raymond Lions Club; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schillereff; Raymond Youth Basketball Assoc.; McCoy Professionals; Raymond Animal Hospital; McDonald's (Barnes Management); Mr. and Mrs. Scott Sample; Raymond Fire Fighters Assoc.; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Saunders; Hannaford; Gemini Valve; Dyers Docking Systems; Howard & Company CPAs; L.C. Reed & Sons, Inc.; Andrew Harmon, Esq.; Scenic Nursery; Raymond Sportsman Club; Hometown Insurance Agency; Northeast Metals Technologies; Scott Baldwin; Samson Duclair, HVAC; McDonald's (Barnes Management); Puddin' Stones; American Crane Company; Steward LTD/Slim Insurance; Supreme House of Pizza; Lang's Apartments; Country Woods Unfinished Furniture; Granite Fund Raising; McDonald's (Barnes Management); Infinity Constructors; Sweatshirts Etc/SS Screenprinting; B&B Trucking; Fremont Pizzeria Restaurant; FPL Energy/Seabrook Station; Judy Williams Real Estate; Gemini Valve; Scenic Nursery; BJ Carpet; Dyer's Docking Systems; L.C. Reed & Sons, Inc.; Howard & Company CPAs; DF Richard Energy; Steward LTD/Slim Insurance.

**Motion by Selectman Weldy to accept the above contributions totaling \$10,950, seconded by Selectman Brown. Selectman Brown voiced thanks to all those who contributed. Chairman J. Wood closed the public hearing and acknowledge the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **Request to Use the Common**

The Knights of Columbus has requested to once again use the common for the manger scene during the holiday season.

**Motion by Selectman Barnes to give permission to the Knights of Columbus for their manger scene, along with a disclaimer, seconded by Selectman Weldy. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Request from Nobis Engineering to drill ground water monitoring well on Tax Map 28-3, Lot 87.**

Town Manager Bates stated that this is the parking lot behind Pilgrim Apartments. They wish to drill a monitoring well to monitor ground water near where the former bulk fuel storage facility was. It is a town owned property. (See letter of request and map which is on file in the Town Clerk's Office).

**Motion by Selectman Brown to instruct Town Manager Bates to sign the letter authorizing Nobis Engineering to drill the test well, seconded by Selectman Weldy. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Warrant Articles**

Town Manager Bates stated that this is just to get the Board started with the Warrant Articles. Town Manager Bates went over the warrant articles that we have. Further discussion followed over each warrant article.

The CIP Warrant Articles will be brought back at another meeting when John Page can come and speak to the Board. The Board decided to meet on November 29<sup>th</sup> to go over the CIP Warrant Articles.

Town Manager Bates stated that he and Michelle are going to Concord tomorrow to set the tax rate. The budget that Michelle presented was to use \$250,000 of the fund balance to offset taxes and maintain \$550,000 in fund balance. Chairman J. Wood polled the Board and all agree.

**Frank Bishop – Appointment to Recreation Advisory Board**

**Motion by Selectman Barnes to appoint Frank Bishop to the Recreation Advisory Board for a term to end on April 30, 2007, seconded by Selectman Brown. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Merrimack Valley Regional Water District Appointment**

**Motion by Selectman Weldy to appoint Selectman Dick Wood to the Merrimack Valley Regional Water District, seconded by Selectman Brown. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Policy on Board and Committee Appointments**

Chairman J. Wood read into the record the Administrative Regulation for Selectmen appointments to Boards and Commissions. (Copy on file with the Town Clerk).

**Motion by Selectman Brown to adopt the Policy on Board and Committee Appointments, seconded by Selectman Weldy. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **Committee Updates**

Selectman Barnes – None.

Selectman Brown – None.

Selectman Weldy – No committee meetings but he thanked the people to attended the Veteran’s Day Parade.

Chairman J. Wood – No other meetings other than the Selectmen meeting.

## **Correspondence**

NH Coalition for Community Media. They are looking for people to join them, this has been forwarded to Kevin Woods.

University of NH Cooperative Extensive – Workshops that are available in January.

With regard to the Personnel Policy there has been a request by some employees to reinstate a policy that we had last year, the vacation buyout for people who have four or five weeks of vacation. The Personnel Policy is on hold until March.

Selectman Weldy stated he had the answer to his question about the call fire fighters and if they are covered under workers compensation for injury, death.

Town Manager Bates stated that the answer that was provided stated that the call fire fighters are covered for injury and death, if such occurs while on duty.

Selectman Barnes stated that while reading the information provided he thought someone stated they could come in and speak to the fire fighters on the subject and if that is the case the fire chief should have a copy of this information to schedule it.

## **Town Manager Report**

Town Manager Bates stated he has no new issues to report on at this time.

## **Minutes**

Town Manager Bates stated that on the October 25<sup>th</sup> minutes the Board came out of a non-meeting where discussion of union negotiations occurred and mistakenly said that it was a non-public session, which was not the case. Non-meeting is defined under RSA 91-A:2I(b). These meetings do not require minutes. You have a sample motion in front of you to correct the minutes.

**Motion by Selectman Weldy to correct the record so the Selectmen’s conference at approximately 6:30 p.m. on October 25, 2004, to discuss the collective bargaining**

**matter, as allowed by RSA 91-A:2I(b) be appropriately designated as a non-meeting pursuant to the statute and that any associated minutes of that conference be deemed stricken from the public records. Motion seconded by Selectman Brown. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion by Selectman Brown to accept the Minutes of October 25, 2004 as amended, seconded by Selectman Weldy. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion by Selectman Brown to accept the Minutes of October 29, 2004, seconded by Selectman Weldy. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion by Selectman Brown to accept the Minutes of November 1, 2004, seconded by Selectman Weldy. Motion passed unanimously.**

Chairman J. Wood stated that tomorrow is the budget meeting and the Board of Selectmen are expected to attend.

**Motion to adjourn by Selectman Weldy, seconded Selectman Brown. Motion passed unanimously at approximately 9:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Cramer  
Executive Secretary