

# TOWN OF RAYMOND

## Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting

Raymond High School, Media Center  
February 4, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bishop at 7:00PM

**Members Present:** Chairman Frank Bishop, Tim Auclair, Greg Bemis, Frank Bourque  
and Jim Tuttle

**Also Present:** Christopher Rose, Town Manager  
Kathy Hoelzel, Tim Louis and Peter Buckingham

The chair of the meeting leads the meeting in the pledge.

### **Recognition –Raymond High School Girls Soccer Team**

Bishop called the Raymond High School Girls Soccer Team to the front. He noted that they had recently won the State Class M Championship and the Board of Selectman gave them a hand for a job well done. Chairman Bi Mr. Loukas Papamichael shop read off each of the player's names and congratulated them.

### **Public Forum**

Auclair had stepped down from the Board and said he was speaking as a citizen. He announced that a Candidate Night was scheduled for Tuesday, February 19, 2008. He said that also on Sunday, February 20, 2008 there would be a debate of the candidates running for Selectmen and it would be held on cable Channel 22. He said he was going to be the moderator of the debate and all are invited to attend. He also said that people can call in with questions during the debate or send them to him ahead of time. Auclair rejoined the Board.

Mr. Tim Louis stated that he sent an email to the Town Manager over the weekend asking if there is a time frame in which political signage can be put up. Bishop stated that it is such a short period of time between deliberative session and voting, that he doesn't believe there is any type of ordinance controlling this.

Auclair agreed with Bishop that there is no type of ordinance on this.

Mr. Louis inquired as to whether the Channel 22 had any restrictions on political advertising. Auclair replied that Mr. Woods, Chair of the Town's Cable Committee, has contacted everyone about placing an ad on the channel, but it is really a question that should be addressed to the Cable Committee. Bishop asked if time is allotted for one candidate, would it have to be available to them all.

Tuttle said he talked to Mr. Woods at the School Deliberative Session on Saturday and he said that they are going to try to make as much time available as possible for all candidates.

Mr. Louis suggested that when it is time to replace a board member that a determination on the criteria of candidate selection should be made up front.

Bishop clarified that Mr. Louis was just looking for some basic policy on how an appointment would be handled.

Bourque said that it happens so infrequently that in the past it hasn't been an issue. Mr. Louis replied that the public should know what the policy will be. Bourque said he disagreed.

### **Community Energy Challenge**

Rose noted that The Community Energy Challenge suggested by the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission is a program designed to help the community conserve energy. He said that the EPA would come and audit Town Buildings and as a result make suggestions on energy conservation.

Bishop stated he felt that the program makes sense.

Bourque said he thought that Rose should consult with Department Heads regarding this before the Board acts on it.

Auclair stated that he would like to have such an assessment done on the Town Buildings.

Bourque asked Rose to talk with Department Heads and the School Superintendent about this, to hear their input and see if they would like to get on board with the program also. Rose replied that he knows that the Superintendent is already working with Public Service on lighting issues.

Bishop again stated that it makes good sense to go along with it. He said this would be on a later agenda.

### **RFQ from RBEDC**

Bourque said at the last meeting the Board reviewed the proposed Request for Qualifications (RFQ) that was proposed by the Raymond Business and Economic Development Council (RBEDC). He said that this was modified and approved by the RBEDC at their meeting on January 31, 2008. He suggested that the Board approve sending this out to developers.

Auclair asked who was going to be the moderator at the Town Meeting for the article dealing with Flint Hill. He said he was concerned about the potential conflict.

Bishop stated that he doesn't want anything to go on that would pose as a potential conflict.

Ms. Hoelzel stated that she has already gotten legal advice and confirmed that there shouldn't be any type of conflict.

Mr. Louis noted that Mr. Paul Brown had stepped down as Chairman of the RBEDC but is still a member of the group.

Auclair moved to direct the Town Manager and the Town Planner to send out this RFQ as proposed. Bourque seconded the motion. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **Exit 4 Update**

Rose said that he would be setting up a meeting on sewer rates after the March elections. He said he talked with Mr. Elmer Pease who said that, due to the information he currently has it makes it possible to wait on a later meeting on this.

Rose said that an agreement on the Moulton Property is currently getting drafted and upon completion it will be forwarded to Mr. Moulton's attorney.

Rose explained that the Wetlands Permit for The Brownfields clean up area was mailed out and is currently in Concord. He said that the cost was about \$8,000.00.

Bishop said he contacted the Wetland Bureau to inquire if a waiver was given on the fee and they said it would not be. Bishop said he would like the developers to fund the cost and that it should not come out of Brownfield grant funds.

Bourque stated that awhile back there was an issue with a platted road that had to be vacated on The Granite Meadows site. Rose will check with the Town Planner on this.

### **2008 Town Meeting Warrant**

Rose asked for any questions or comments on the Town Meeting Warrant.

Tuttle said he talked to Ms. West-Coates, The Chairman of the Budget Committee, who said that her understanding was that the Board of Selectman had adopted the Budget Committee's total budget figure, but not all of their specific line changes.

Bishop said that he didn't know which cuts the Budget Committee had made. Rose read them aloud.

Bourque stated that he did not want the Board to go back to the original budget number.

Mr. Buckingham asked what the total amount of increase in the operating budget was. Rose replied it was \$104,914.00.

Ms. Hoelzel asked if there was going to be an amendment from the Selectman on article 3. Bishop said there wasn't one.

Tuttle asked about the status on articles 5, 6 & 7. Auclair replied that the attorney is currently working on the new wording for those questions. Rose stated that he had a meeting set up with the town's attorney on Tuesday and planned to walk through every warrant article and discuss them.

Bishop asked what information would be there for the voters at Saturday's Deliberative Session. Rose said that he was putting together packets that include the town warrant, budget, some CIP information, and a list of officers.

### **Board of Selectmen-Town Manager Report**

Auclair stated that the Capital Improvement Committee is done for the year.

Bishop stated that he attended the RBEDC last Thursday.

Bishop noted that he had a letter from the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission that outlined a program designed to educate students (K-12) on the planning process.

### **Non Public Minutes**

Bourque moved to unseal the minutes of the November 5, 2007, a non public session in regards to the discussion of some easements on two parcels on Route 107. Auclair seconded the motion. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Minutes**

Auclair moved to adopt the minutes of March 26, 2007. Bemis seconded the motion. Tuttle abstained. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Auclair moved to adopt the minutes of April 9, 2007. Bemis seconded the motion. Tuttle abstained. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

In regards to the minutes of May 21, 2007, Auclair stated that on page four, paragraph five, he said it should be changed from "he wrote a letter" to "he read a letter". He also stated that on page seven, fourth paragraph from the bottom, he would like clarification who seconded the motion. Bourque confirmed it was Bob Carlberg.

Bourque said that on page 7 it incorrectly stated he attended the DARE graduation, but he did not attend. Bourque noted that also on page 7, the spelling error in the word damn, it should be dam.

Bourque moved to accept these minutes as amended. Auclair seconded the motion. All members voted unanimously. Tuttle abstained. **MOTION PASSED.**

Auclair moved to accept the minutes of November 19, 2007. Bemis seconded the motion. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

In regards to the minutes of November 26, 2007, Mr. Bourque noted that in Public Forum section that Bob Jensen's name is spelled incorrectly. The correct spelling is Bob 'Janson'.

Bemis moved to accept the minutes as amended. Auclair seconded the motion. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Auclair moved to accept the minutes of December 3, 2007. Bemis seconded the motion. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Auclair moved to adopt the minutes of December 10, 2007. Bemis seconded the motion. Bourque abstained. **MOTION PASSED.**

In regards to the minutes of December 17, 2007, Auclair stated that on the first page it says "she fells" and it should be changed to "she felt".

Auclair moved to adopt these minutes as amended. Bourque seconded the motion. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Auclair moved to accept the minutes of 1/21/08. Bourque seconded the motion. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Bemis moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Auclair. **THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Chairman Bishop adjourned the meeting at 8:09pm.

Minutes prepared by,

Lisa Chapman  
Executive Secretary

These minutes were approved as amended by the Board of Selectmen on February 25, 2008.