

TOWN OF RAYMOND
Board of Selectman
Regular Meeting-Approved Minutes

Raymond High School
January 7, 2008

Chairman Bishop opened the meeting at 7:00pm

Chairman Bishop led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Also Present: Christopher Rose, Town Manger
Mr. Jack Barnes
Mr. Lyman Hammond
Mr. Peter Cleaves
Mr. Elmer Pease
Ms. Killam
Ms. Brox
Mr. Bill Cantwell

Chairman Bishop announced that the primary poles will be at Iber Holmes Gove Middle School in the gymnasium.

Public Forum

Jack Barnes came forward to discuss a letter he had written to the editor of the Union Leader. He read the response letter from the editor. *A copy of the letter is attached to this set of minutes that is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available for review during regular office hours.*

Lyman Hammond came forward to discuss issues with Scribner Road and parking. Chairman Bishop stated that people could park on the left hand side of the road as long as they were not blocking the road. Mr. Hammond stated that there was a mailbox in the way of the parking.

Mr. Hammond wanted to clarify how the reassessment was being done. He had heard that a quarter of the town was going to be reassessed every year. Chairman Bishop stated that there was a discussion on this but there was no decision made on it. The reevaluation would only take place every five years which is in accordance to DRA rules.

Peter Cleaves came forward to discuss some issues he has with the Planning Board. Mr. Bourque stepped down because he is the Selectman's Representative to the Planning Board. He asked why the Planning Board doesn't follow their Rules and Regulations. He handed the board a letter from the town's attorneys and a letter from the Town's Code Enforcement Officer Richard Mailhot. *A copy of the letters is attached to this set of*

minutes that is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available for review during regular office hours.

Chairman Bishop stated that he would talk to the Planning Board Chairman about this issue and would also talk to the Community Development Director Ernest Creveling about getting Mr. Cleaves on the Planning Board's agenda.

Mr. Auclair motioned to table the discussion on the 2007 year end budget review for the next work session meeting on January 14, 2008, seconded by Mr. Bourque. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Public Hearing: To hear public comment on the Wetlands Mitigation Easement of Town owned property (Map 27, Lots 9 & 10) in accordance with RSA 41:14a

Elmer Pease from PD Associates came forward to make a presentation on the Wetlands Mitigation Easement. Mr. Pease handed the Selectmen copies of the plans. *A copy of the plan is attached to this set of minutes that is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available for review during regular office hours.* Mr. Pease went over each plan. Mr. Pease also handed the Board a copy of the wetlands appraisal. *A copy of the appraisal is attached to this set of minutes that is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available for review during regular office hours.*

Mr. Bourque wanted the public to be aware that Mr. Pease's development would border a quarter of this land and he would only be responsible for the quarter of the cost which is \$10,000.00. Mr. Bourque asked how Mr. Pease would access this property. Mr. Pease stated that it would be accessed through Cammett Field. Mr. Bemis asked where the sludge will be going. Mr. Pease stated that he would use some of it at the Exit 4 Development. He would also offer it to the Public Works Department in case they needed any.

Ms. Killam wanted to make sure that Mr. Pease would be careful when accessing the property through the Cammett Fields. There are underground sprinkler systems on the soccer fields so this should be discussed with the Parks department.

Ms. Killam also stated that the town would be better having a restricted deed on the property that the town would have to monitor.

Mr. Bourque stated that Mr. Pease would have to post a bond on the project so that any damage that is done will be paid for.

There was no other comment from the public.

Mr. Bourque motioned to hold the second public hearing under 41:14a on January 21, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at Torrent Hall, seconded by Mr. Auclair. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The second public hearing would be on January 21, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at Torrent Hall.

Public Forum

The Selectmen allowed Bill Cantwell, Planning Board Chairman, to discuss what Mr. Cleaves statements from earlier. He stated that the planning Board is still working on the question from Mr. Cleaves. The Selectmen thanked Mr. Cantwell for coming to the meeting to clarify this.

Expandable Pool Mitigation Plan

Mr. Bourque stated that they didn't have the plan from the Town's attorneys yet.

Mr. Bourque motioned to table this until Monday, January 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Mr. Auclair. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Insurance Review Committee

The Selectmen and Town Manager Christopher Rose discussed forming an insurance review committee for the town employees. Mr. Auclair suggested that the board shouldn't do anything with this committee at this time. A meeting with the employees should occur first and not only insurances should be looked at. Mr. Bourque suggested that an independent committee outside of the Board and the employees look at insurances and wages of the Town employees and then interview the employees and see what they think. Chairman Bishop stated he felt that the committee should have a certain amount of employees and residents that are in the insurance field be on the committee.

Mr. Auclair stat that this committee should be treated like any other committee and the members should be interviewed by the Board. Mr. Bourque stated that there should be an advertisement on Channel 22 for this.

Ms. Brox asked if a group had already met on this. Chairman Bishop stated that some concerned citizens had talked with him and the Town Manager.

Review of Town Warrant

The Selectman reviewed the Town Warrant.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article one as written, seconded by Mr. Bourque. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Auclair motioned to remove article two from the warrant because the board was at an impasse with the Teamster negotiations, seconded by Mr. Bourque. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Auclair asked how the default budget was calculated. Finance Director April Rives stated that it was last year's budget plus contractual obligations minus one time expenditures and the salaries and benefits of the positions that were eliminated last year.

She added that she had not calculated the election budget to reflect the three elections in 2008. Mr. Auclair suggested that \$5,000.00 be added to the default budget in article three for the elections.

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article three as amended, seconded by Mr. Auclair.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article four as written, seconded by Mr. Bemis. Motion passed four to one. Mr. Auclair opposed the motion.

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article five as written.

Mr. Auclair made an amendment to the article that it read "...and *to* apportion this sum amount these funds...."

Mr. Bourque removed his motion.

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article five as amended, seconded by Mr. Auclair.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair had an amendment to the article that it be written "General Government Buildings Maintenance and Improvements" not "General Government Buildings".

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article six as amended, seconded by Mr. Auclair.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article seven as written, seconded by Mr. Bourque.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair had an amendment to the article that it be written "General Government Buildings Maintenance and Improvements" not "General Government Buildings".

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article eight as amended, seconded by Mr. Bourque.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article nine as written, seconded by Mr. Bemis.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article ten as written, seconded by Mr. Bourque.

Mr. Auclair asked that in the future the social service agencies come to a meeting show the town why they should receive these funds.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article eleven as written, seconded by Mr. Bemis.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article twelve as written, seconded by Mr. Bourque.

Mr. Auclair commented that this warrant is the same every year but the cost of rebuilding roads is going up. The Public Works director saves up two years worth of funding before he starts a project.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There was a brief discussion among the Board members on article thirteen.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article thirteen as written, seconded by Mr. Bourque.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article fourteen as written, seconded by Mr. Bourque.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair stated he wanted to see a lease for article fourteen before deliberative.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article fifteen as written, seconded by Mr. Bemis. Motion passed three to two. Chairman Bishop and Mr. Bourque opposed the motion.

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article sixteen as written, seconded by Mr. Bemis.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article seventeen as written, seconded by Mr. Bemis

The VFW Representatives came forward to discuss warrant article seventeen. They had a re-write on the article and gave it to the board. *A copy of the article is attached to this set of minutes that is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available for review during regular office hours.*

Mr. Auclair rescinded his original motion and Mr. Bemis rescinded his second.

Mr. Auclair motioned to approve article seventeen as amended, seconded by Mr. Bemis.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Bemis motioned to approve article nineteen as written, seconded by Mr. Bourque. Motion passed four to one. Mr. Auclair opposed the motion.

Mr. Bourque had an amendment to warrant eighteen. *A copy of the amendment is attached to this set of minutes that is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available for review during regular office hours.*

The Selectmen discussed this warrant in detail. Members of the public also discussed this warrant: Gloria Carney, Peter Buckingham and Ms. Killam. This article is in confliction with petition warrant article twenty-one.

Mr. Bourque motioned to approve article eighteen as amended, seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Motion passed three to two. Mr. Auclair and Mr. Bemis opposed the motion.

Warrant articles 20 through 22 are petition warrants that the Selectmen do not comment on.

Collection of Municipal Solid Waste proposals

Mr. Bourque asked that this be discussed at the next meeting.

RFP from the RBEDC for development of Flint Hill Property

Town Manager Rose stated he had heard from the town attorney today about the RFP. They suggested that the Town do a RFQ for this. The Selectmen asked that the RBEDC do a joint meeting with the Board at their next meeting.

Exit 4 Review

Town Manager Rose stated that he had the Wetlands Permit application in draft. It should be submitted at the end of the week.

Flood Victims

Mr. Bourque stated that he had attended the mitigation meeting. He asked that this be looked at on a monthly basis. He suggested that the Town hire the same engineer that the state hired to do a water study in Raymond only. The Board may want to look at Development Impact fees for property developed in the flood zones to buyout future flooded properties.

Board of Selectmen Reports

Mr. Auclair attended a Budget Committee meeting.

Mr. Bemis had nothing to report.

Mr. Tuttle attended Budget Committee meetings for the Town and the School Budgets.

Mr. Bourque attended the Planning Board meeting and a Master Plan Meeting.

Chairman Bishop attended a Conservation Commission meeting and Southern NH Planning Commission meeting.

Town Manager Report

The filing period for elected officials is Jan 23rd through February 1st.

Mr. Bourque motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Bemis. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Bishop adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

These minutes were approved as amended by the Board of Selectmen on April 4, 2008.

Minutes prepared by,