

TOWN OF RAYMOND
401 Webbs Mills Road
Raymond, Maine 04071

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES
Tuesday, October 6, 2009

SELECTMEN ATTENDANCE: Mike Reynolds, Chairman; Joe Bruno; Mark Gendron; Dana Desjardins; and Lonnie Taylor (arrived 7:13 pm)

SELECTMEN ABSENT: None.

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Don Willard, Town Manager; Nathan White, Public Works Director; and Cathy Gosselin, Deputy Fire Chief.

OTHERS: Sue Accardi, RSU #14 high school nurse.

1. Call to order. Mike Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm at the Broadcast Studio.
2. Minutes of previous meeting September 8, 2009.

MOTION: Mark Gendron motioned to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Joe Bruno.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0 (Taylor absent)

DISCUSSION: Mr. Reynolds reported that the meeting of September 22, 2009 was the primary meeting to set the 2009-2010 mil rate. Mr. Reynolds explained how this process had proceeded. He reviewed the way that our taxes are set at the time of commitment. Mr. Desjardins felt that this conversation should be taken under #6 Selectmen Communications. Mr. Reynolds replied that he chose to review this information at this time because it had been discussed at their last meeting on September 22nd. He believed that they are comments to correct some of the discussion which they had at that meeting. Mr. Desjardins felt that he should have received a copy of this information before the meeting. He also felt it should be discussed in Executive Session. Mr. Reynolds countered that the intent was to correct some statements that were made at that meeting.

[Mr. Desjardins left the meeting at 7:11 pm.]

Mr. Bruno said that it was important to explore this information and correct misinformation which was reported at the last meeting. Mr. Reynolds encouraged people to contact the town office or the Selectmen to answer any questions they may have.

3. New business:
 - a. Raymond Village Library update – Lori Rand

DISCUSSION: Lori Rand a current president along with Lee Walker the next president reviewed the activities of the library. She said that the library has been a very vibrant and busy place with more than 25,000 items being used last year. She noted the written report about last year's work which was submitted to the Selectmen. Mr. Willard said that they would put a more obvious link to the Library's web page from the town's website. He continued that without the bank of library volunteers, the expense of the library would be much more. She invited people to attend their meeting tomorrow night October 7th. She noted that their meetings are always public meetings.

- b. Brief road construction update – Public Works Director Nathan White

DISCUSSION: Mr. White reviewed the work which was done this year. He noted Spiller Hill Road, Cape Road, Tenney Hill, Raymond Hill, and North Raymond Road which have received some repairs and ditching. He said that County and Crockett Roads would have some work before winter. Paving will begin on Cape Road tomorrow. Next spring they will prepare another section of Cape Road and repairs on Valley Road.

Mr. Gendron asked Mr. White to review his personnel what he has for crew and also explain the total cost of paving. Mr. White said because of a staff resignation they worked most of the summer with 3 full time employees plus him. They now have that position filled. He reported that asphalt has reduced in price from last year. Last year they didn't do any lengthy paving because of that expense. It's about \$170,000 to do a mile of prep work and the final surface cost is extra. It's about \$200,000 to do a mile for reclaiming and a single surface coat. Mr. Gendron asked how the trucks are holding up. Mr. White reviewed the inventory of equipment.

Mr. White complimented his crew Scott Picavet, Foreman; Jason Larrabee; Shep Stultz; the new member Peter Carlan, and their contact vendor Rodney Knights.

- c. Deputy General Assistance Administrator appointment / Alice Hamilton – Town Manager Don Willard

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to appoint Alice Hamilton, Deputy General Assistance Administrator. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0 (Bruno, Gendron, Taylor, Reynolds)

- d. Quit Claim deeds for approval – 49 Tenney Hill Road [Map 18, Lot 28A]; Raymond Cape Association [Map 69, Lot 89] – Board of Selectmen

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to sign the Quit Claim deed for 49 Tenney Hill Road. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0 (Bruno, Gendron, Taylor, Reynolds)

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to sign the Quit Claim deed for 66 Wild Acres Road, Raymond Cape Association. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0 (Bruno, Gendron, Taylor, Reynolds)

- e. Discussion and adoption of General Assistance Ordinance appendices for 2009-2010 – Town Manager Don Willard

MOTION: Joe Bruno motioned to accept the 2009-2010 General Assistance Ordinance. Seconded by Mark Gendron.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0

4. Old (unfinished) business.

- a. Public Safety Plan update for Health Officer and H1N1 preparation – Deputy Chief Cathy Gosselin

DISCUSSION: Deputy Fire Chief Gosselin reviewed the H1N1 situation in Maine. So far there aren't any large outbreaks, but it is in every county. There was a summer camp with several children sick, however, they contained and controlled it so that it didn't become a larger problem. She said that there have been 400 cases in Maine with only 1 death. It appears that young children and pregnant women are at the highest risk. The schools will have the regular flu vaccination soon and later the H1N1 vaccine. They are now recommending that both vaccinations can be given at the same time. They are also recommending that children from age 10 upward only need one shot with no booster this year. Ms. Accardi reported that they are still getting information from the federal government. She said that the vaccinations aren't

mandatory, and there will be two permission sheets for each child one each for regular flu and H1N1. She said there would be an educational tape run on the Windham and Raymond access channels with information. Deputy Chief Gosselin said that several of their ALS people have taken the training for the administration of flu vaccine; however, they have not been given permission to hold a clinic at this time. She said that they would be targeting daycare centers as well as schools. She added that the vaccine is free; however there may be a cost for administration but not at schools. Deputy Chief Gosselin noted that information is on the website www.Maineflu.gov

5. Town Manager Report and Communications.

- a. Next meeting will be November 10, 2009
- b. Budget season is coming up and expectations and goals will be discussed soon.
- c. General Referendum and Town Election will be Tuesday, November 3, 2009 from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Jordan Small Middle School.

6. Selectmen Communications.

None.

NOTICE: Mr. Reynolds announced that this would be Mark Gendron's last meeting before his resignation as of November 3rd. He thanked Mr. Gendron for his time and service to the Town of Raymond. A plaque was given Mr. Gendron who then expressed a few remarks about his experience on the Select Board.

7. Fiscal Warrants – Payroll and Appropriation Warrants – September 8, 2009.

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$54,742.94. Seconded by Joe Bruno.

VOTE: 4-0 (Bruno, Gendron, Taylor, Reynolds)

MOTION: Lonnie Taylor motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant in the amount of \$651,657.14 which includes the County Tax of \$560,674. Seconded by Joe Bruno.

VOTE: 4-0 (Bruno, Gendron, Taylor, Reynolds)

8. Adjournment.

MOTION: Mark Gendron motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Lonnie Taylor.

VOTE: Unanimous 4-0 (Bruno, Gendron, Taylor, Reynolds)

ADJOURNED: 8:15 pm.

Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk