

**Board of Selectmen
MINUTES
Tuesday, February 16, 1999**

ATTENDANCE: Stephanie Bubier, Chairman; Ada Brown; Michael McClellan; Timothy Pomerleau; Betty McDermott; Pat Smith, Chairman Raymond Recreation Assoc.; Charles Leavitt; and Nathan Poore, Town Manager.

CALL TO ORDER: Stephanie Bubier called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm at the Town Hall.

Consideration of previous meeting minutes.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

Public Hearing: Proposed amendment to the Tax Increment Finance District.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore explained that on the map the lots in yellow were the lots abutting the pipeline and were not a part of the TIF, the orange lots were in the proposed TIF district, and the green lots were originally in the district but would be deleted from the area of the TIF district because DECD determined that we had too much value in the TIF district and wanted a certain percentage dropped from the plan. He reiterated that the TIF money would be used to enhance the entire Route 302 corridor and not just the TIF lots noted on the map. He added that by using the TIF Raymond would realize a net savings of about \$60,000 with the money that would not be returned to Raymond by the State School subsidy and our County Tax assessment. There were no public comments.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Stephanie Bubier closed the public hearing at 7:07 pm.

Public Hearing: Proposed Cemetery Ordinance.

There was no discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Stephanie Bubier closed the public hearing at 7:12 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING RE-OPENED.

Stephanie Bubier re-opened the public hearing at 7:13 pm.

DISCUSSION: There was discussion about whether bicycles, snowmobiles and ATV's would be allowed in the cemetery at any time. It was felt that bicycles should be allowed for transportation and not for recreational use in the cemetery. Mr. Poore said that he could rewrite this ordinance because this would not be a substantive change.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

Stephanie Bubier closed the public hearing at 7:15 pm.

Consideration to establish a committee to research and develop a veterans memorial monument in the Town of Raymond.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to establish a committee to research and develop a veteran's monument in Raymond. Seconded by Michael McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.

Consideration to establish a committee to look into recreation services and programs offered in Raymond and determine how present and future needs will be met.

DISCUSSION: Mr. McClellan opened the discussion. Pat Smith said that Raymond Rec was accomplishing recreation activities for all ages of youth and constantly trying to broaden their program. She said that the group was working very well with volunteer help. She felt that their highest priority at this time was increasing public awareness in the programs offered. She asked that she be allowed to be involved in whatever committee the Selectmen decided to have. She added that Selectmen participation in Raymond Rec was always welcomed. Paul White indicated the 1993 Recreation Report and said that he would like to pursue its recommendation to have a part-time director with citizen advisory board. Mr. Pomerleau felt that if the Selectmen form a committee that it should not be just for another study but have the Selectmen act on that committee's recommendations. Mr. White added that he would like to see this committee look into related items like our beaches and parks.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to create a committee to study community service aspects as suggested and report back to the Selectmen with their recommendations for the future. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

Reconsideration to make a recommendation on how to proceed with septic related issues.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to include all three suggested articles in the Town Meeting Warrant and approve further study by Paul Lawrence in an amount not to exceed \$1920. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: 4 in favor (Bubier, Brown, Pomerleau, McDermott) 1 opposed (McClellan)

NOTE: Mr. Poore said that this would probably be ready for the March 2nd Selectmen's Meeting but they might have to have a special meeting on March 9th to finalize items for the Town Meeting.

Review final draft of the Town Report.

NOTE: The Selectmen approved the Town Report draft.

Consideration to convey a certain parcel of Town owned property to Charles Leavitt, such land located on Raymond Hill Road near the old Riverside Grange Hall.

Note: Depending on the nature of discussion, the Selectmen may want to consider an executive session. Any action involving the conveyance of property must be voted on at Town Meeting.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Leavitt asked to purchase a 2 acre piece of land abutting his property on which the Grange Hall is located. He said he would like to have the building used for community functions but will need a new septic system and parking area. The present lot does not have enough land to do that. He feels that this building and some others in the neighborhood have great historical value and should be preserved. The new septic will cost about \$7,000. Presently the Grange Hall gets water from the Town Hall well. He wanted to keep the size of his lot below 3 acres so that it will never be a conforming house lot. Mr. Pomerleau wanted to be sure that this land if sold would not cause a problem with any expansion of the public works/fire department building. He felt that an easement for this use might be considered. It was decided to have a site walk and if the Selectmen decided to

consider this proposal they would require an appraisal be done to establish the value of the property.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, February 17, 1999 at 11:30 am at 7 Raymond Hill Road.

10. Consideration to make a recommendation on a proposed long term lease agreement with Portland Cellular Partnership regarding the ground lease for the cell tower located at the septic spreading site. An executive session will be necessary for the initial discussion regarding this agenda item.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to go into executive session to discuss this item. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

RECESS: Stephanie Bubier recessed the meeting at 8:30 pm.

MOTION: Tim Pomerleau motioned to re-open the meeting. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

RE-OPEN MEETING: Stephanie Bubier re-opened the meeting at 8:44 pm saying that no action had been taken.

11. Communications and other business.

a. Tower Ordinance.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Poore said that he considered this an extremely limiting ordinance. He continued that many hours of work had been done on it by dedicated volunteers.

b. Time Warner Contract.

NOTE: Mr. Poore said that there was no end in sight.

c. Westbrook Music Boosters funding request.

DISCUSSION: Mr. McClellan said that even though they are a worthy group he didn't want to set a precedent for arbitrary funding by the Town. Mrs. Bubier concurred.

d. Roadrunner Articles.

1) Undesignated surplus: Mr. Pomerleau wanted to know the history of the amounts and uses of undesignated surplus by the Town. There was discussion of the sequence of the supply and demand of surplus money generated in Raymond i.e. excise tax.

2) TIF and

3) Recycling.

e. CAMA agreement.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to allow Nathan Poore enter into an agreement. Seconded by Michael McClellan.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to sign a Quit Claim Deed for payment of taxes on Map 10, Lot 71. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

12. Review and authorize the February 16, 1999 Treasurer's Warrant.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant in the amount of \$72,288,57. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

13. Adjourn.

MOTION: Tim Pomerleau motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

ADJOURNED: Stephanie Bubier adjourned the meeting at 9:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise H. Lester
Secretary