Town of Raymond
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
December 19, 2000

ATTENDANCE: Tim Pomerleau, Chairman; Betty McDermott; Ada Brown; Michael McClellan; Christine McClellan, Chairman of the Route 302 Development Committee; Denis Morse, Fire Chief; Elizabeth Cummings, Treasurer; and Don Willard, Town Manager.

1. Call to order: Tim Pomerleau called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm at the Town Office.

2. Consideration of previous meeting minutes.

a. December 5, 2000

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Seconded by Ada Brown.

VOTE: Unanimous.

3a. Route 302 Committee Update.

DISCUSSION: Christine McClellan reviewed the process of her Committee in saying that they had been meeting for the past two years about once a month. The members are Ada Brown as Selectmen’s representative, Rick Dodson, Jim Stephenson, Bruce Sanford and Paul White from the Planning Board, Frank McDermott, Alvin Morrison, our RTAC representative, and John Kendall of ChipCo, as well as the Town Manager. Mrs. McClellan said that their engineer consultants Gorrill-Palmer of Gray and Dewan Associates of North Yarmouth have been extremely helpful and informative. GPCOG has also been helpful with discussion about the curb cuts. She said that their focus has been to improve the safety of Route 302 as well as the appearance. Another project will be alternate transportation routes for bicycling or walking which they hope will be on both sides of the street. Signage will also be studied. Mrs. McClellan indicated that they have just received the MDOT survey and they now consider Route 302 a level 3 road. The partnership with MDOT has been finalized where MDOT will provide some funding ($1,055,000) beginning actual work in 2002 and the Town will manage the project. The schedule will probably change to every other week. Her main purpose coming tonight was to warn the Selectmen that there would need to be a Town Meeting warrant article for their share of the TIF budget. Their next meeting will be January 4, 2001 at 6:30 pm at the Town Office. Mr. Pomerleau hoped that they would be looking at the intersection of Route 302 and Route 121 and Canal Road for renovation. Mr. Willard indicated that having the Town managing the project would give the Town a certain amount of control.

3b. Trash and recycling contract award.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Cummings indicated that at the bid opening BBI was $45,000 less than the Pine Tree Waste trash bid and a little more than PTW on the recycling bid. Archie St. Hilaire of BBI said that they are owned by Blow Bros of Maine and New Hampshire. He confirmed that they would work to take care of all complaints. He felt they would keep the current schedule and evaluate it in April for any possible changes such as going three days or putting on a third truck.

MOTION: Ada Brown motioned to give the contract to BBI for both the trash and recycling contracts for a 2.5-year period. Seconded by Betty McDermott.

VOTE: Unanimous.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Pomerleau said this new contract would cause a shortfall in the trash budget. Mr. Willard said that he along with Mrs. Cummings would come up with a plan for funding. Mr. Pomerleau asked that the Solid Waste be adjusted for the new contract. Mrs. Cummings said that $11,800 more was needed.

Mr. Pomerleau said that there is $20,500 in the budget for Raymond Beach personnel but didn't want to have full time employees at the beach. Mrs. Brown asked about the park & ride parking lot across the street. Mr. Pomerleau said it was not finalized and that any use of that side of the road would prove problematic for safety reasons. He felt that possibly there should be one person at the beach to start the season for policing the area and directing people to Tassel Top Park. It was discussed that more money should be added to the Tassel Top budget for another Ranger who would work at Tassel Top and check on Raymond Beach several times a day. Mr. Willard will check with the Tassel Top Committee to see if they would be willing to do this.

5. Appointment by Municipal Officers of the Town of Raymond's Registrar of Voters.
MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to appoint Louise Murray as Registrar of Voters for a two-year term. Seconded by Ada Brown.
VOTE: Unanimous.

6. Abatement.
MOTION: Michael McClellan motioned to approve the abatement M0160P for Mega Industries in the amount of $4,759.10. Seconded by Ada Brown.
VOTE: Unanimous.

7. Communications and other business.
a. Don Willard
DISCUSSION: Mr. Willard said he was enjoying the job and everything was going well.
b. Fire Station Building Committee.
DISCUSSION: Denis Morse reported that the agreement with Mary Jane Karpoe now includes 8.5 acres of land on which a location for the new fire station has been identified. This will be a gift for the use of public safety only. RFP's are being sent out to interested builders who are qualified for a design/build plan which has a deadline in January. He feels that the Town's engineers will review the prospects and pick five of them from which the Committee will choose the contractor.
c. Special Town Meeting December 5, 2000.
DISCUSSION: Mr. McClellan noted that the Special Town Meeting was well attended with people who had a high interest and were well informed.

MOTION: Betty McDermott motioned to approve the Treasurer's Warrant in the amount of $61,878.32. Seconded by Michael McClellan.
VOTE: Unanimous.

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ADJOURNMENT: Tim Pomerleau adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise H. Lester
Secretary