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Town of Raymond Town Meeting Minutes June 2, 2009

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OPENING: Town Clerk Louise Lester opened the meeting at 7:00 pm at the Jordan Small Middle School gymnasium.

TO: Nathan White, a resident of the Town of Raymond, in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Raymond, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Jordan-Small Middle School gymnasium, in said Town of Raymond on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

NOMINATIONS: There was a nomination and second for John Robinson.
MOTION: There was a motion and second that nominations cease.
VOTE ON MOTION: Carried.
VOTE ON NOMINATION: Carried.

Moderator Robinson asked if anyone objected to non-resident Hugh Coxe, Contract Planner, speaking at this meeting. No one objected.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town adopt the Raymond Open Space Plan, dated April 7, 2009.

[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]

The Conservation Commission recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 2.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 3: Shall Article 4, Section F, Article 9, section C, and Article 9 section L of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below?

[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this article.
The Selectmen make no recommendation.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 3.
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 4: Shall Article 2, Section A of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, and Section 9.A, Section 13, Section 14, Section 15, and Section 17 of the Town of Raymond Shoreland Zoning Provisions, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below and shall the Land Use Map adopted December 2, 2008 as part of the Land Use Ordinance of the Town of Raymond, Maine be superseded and replaced by a new Land Use Regulation Map being that map entitled Town of Raymond, Maine Official Land Use Map prepared by New England Planning Concepts and filed in the office of the Town Clerk on May 5, 2009 and being that map that includes Stream Protection (SP) districts?

[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this article.
The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 4.
VOTE: Defeated (yea 35, nay 38)

ARTICLE 5: Shall Article 10, Sections B, C and D, and Article 12 of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below?
[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]
The Planning Board recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 5.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any property acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes pursuant to the policy adopted by the Selectmen, as may be amended from time to time, the policy to remain consistent with State statutes and laws. In all cases conveyance to be made by municipal quitclaim deed.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 6.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 7: To see what date taxes will be due and to set an interest rate for unpaid amounts.

The Selectmen recommend 1st half to be due October 31, 2009 and 2nd half to be due April 30, 2010 with interest at nine percent (9%) on any unpaid balances.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 7.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at nine percent (9%) for the fiscal year.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 8.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of Town owned personal property with value not to exceed $35,000.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 9.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow from or appropriate from fund balance (surplus) as they deem advisable to meet the unanticipated needs of the community that occur during the fiscal year.

The Selectmen recommend an amount not over $75,000.  
The Budget Committee recommends an amount not over $75,000.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 10.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen, for the fiscal year 2009-2010, to transfer funds between appropriation accounts as long as the grand total of all appropriations is not exceeded. Any such transfers to be approved only at a properly called public meeting of the Selectmen.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 11.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of Town employees and/or Town owned equipment or independent contractor(s) hired by the Town for maintenance on private roads in special and certain circumstances where in the public's interest.

Note of explanation -- Three examples of when the use of Town employees and equipment is necessary include the following:

A. Tying in work done on a public road that intersects a private road;
B. Plowing snow on a private road to clear the way for emergency response apparatus; and
C. In rare or emergency situations, maintaining private roads for school bus access to special education students as deemed necessary.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 12.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 13.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 14: To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the tax increment of the Pipeline/RT 302 Tax Increment Financing District for FY 2008 - 2009 projects proposed in the Tax Increment Financing District Development Program.
Amount requested: $193,823

Note: Included in this item are:
Raymond-Casco Historical Society $ 1,800
Raymond Waterways Association Milfoil Program $15,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 14.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Administration account.
Amount requested: $497,882

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 15.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 16: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Assessing account.
Amount requested: $66,337

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 16.
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 17: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Hall account.  
Amount requested: $33,621

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 17.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 18: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Insurance account.  
Amount requested: $461,536

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 18.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 19: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the General Assistance account.  
Amount requested: $2,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 19.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Technology Department account.  
Amount requested: $156,400

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 20.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 21: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Community Development account.  
Amount requested: $47,027

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 21.  
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 22: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire/Rescue Department account.  
Amount requested: $581,196

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 22.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 23: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Animal Control account.  
Amount requested: $12,606

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 23.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Infrastructure account.  
Amount requested: $21,220

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 24.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Works account.  
Amount requested: $589,566

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 25.  
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 26: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Solid Waste account.  
Amount requested: $470,991

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.  
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 26.  
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 27: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Cemeteries account.
Amount requested: $18,112

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 27.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 28: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Parks & Recreation account.
Amount requested: $16,535
  Included are: Materials/Equipment $4,200
  Contract Services $7,335
  Raymond Rattlers Snowmobile $2,000
  Raymond Baseball/Softball $1,000
  Agawam mowing/soccer $2,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 28.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 29: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Raymond Village Library.
Amount requested: $30,900

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 29.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 30: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Provider Agencies.

  Amounts requested: 2009-2010 level
    *Raymond Extended Day Care $1,500
    *Raymond Mentoring Partnership $1,000
    Raymond Food Pantry $ 200

Amount requested: $2,700

*EXPLANATION: This funding will only be awarded if these groups raise equal matching funds.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 30.
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 31: To see whether the Town will vote to carry forward any existing fund balance in the Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.) account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 31.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 32: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Improvement account.
Amount requested: $686,711

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 32.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 33: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the County Tax account.
Amount requested: $560,674

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 33.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the total sum of $1,698,675 from estimated non-property tax revenues to reduce the property tax commitment, together with all categories of funds which may be available from the federal government and any other sources.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 34.
VOTE: Carried.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept or reject grants, donations and/or gifts of money to the Town of Raymond and to expend monies donated for specific purposes.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 35.
VOTE: Carried.
ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to accept certain State Funds as provided by the Maine State Legislature during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and any other funds provided by any other entity included but not limited to:

A. Municipal Revenue Sharing
B. Local Road Assistance
C. Emergency Management Assistance
D. Snowmobile Registration Money
E. Tree Growth Reimbursement
F. General Assistance Reimbursement
G. Veteran’s Exemption Reimbursement
H. State Grant or Other Funds

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.
The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

MOTION: There was a motion and second to approve Article 36.
VOTE: Carried.

MOTION: There was a motion and second to adjourn.
VOTE: Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: John Robinson adjourned the meeting at 7:47 pm.

Louise H. Lester
Town Clerk