

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Present: School Board Members John Harmon, Janice Arsenault, Jaclyn Serrine, Joseph Saulnier, and Michelle Couture; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy; Business Administrator Ron Brickett.

Proof of Posting: It was noted that the meeting was properly posted.

Pledge of Allegiance: All those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joint Meeting of the Raymond School Board and the Raymond Board of Selectmen: Selectmen in attendance: Greg Bemis, Jack Barnes, Jonathan Wood, Wayne Welche, George Plante; Town Manager Craig Wheeler.

Meeting with Selectmen requested by School Board to discuss the Shared Resources Committee, including membership, timeline, and costs.

Do the Selectmen have any concerns: Mr. Wood: We came to your meeting to hear what you have to say. We have seen improvements resulting from committee.

Mr. Harmon: Concern, 11 people on committee and non-members voting. Eleven members should be only voting members. Concern about non-members voting.

Mr. Saulnier: When he does the minutes, he only takes the voting members votes. Concern (Mr. Harmon) that the community member has the idea that they are voting.

Mr. Harmon: Timeline -- Three months in. Purpose to not have two big ticket items on the ballot. Committee to come to an agreement on solution to that. The committee was expected to give their recommendation to this. We are running out of time to get feedback back. Are we going to have time to react and create warrant articles and bonds? Will this recommendation come in time for two boards to work together to get this done?

Direction of the committee: In April, conversation, what makes sense for the School Board and the Selectmen to put on their warrant? Also how could we combine the town and school resources to save money. Discussion surrounding these topics are not happening pending Shared Resources Committee recommendation.

Ms. Serrine: As a member of the committee, part of the issue with the committee is that when formed, the direction was not made clear. The committee came up with the charge, not the boards. Hope that tonight we can be clear to set the direction of the committee; maybe come up with consensus to provide a direction.

Mr. Wood: Interest was getting as many community members involved as possible, a disappointment to some.

Timeline: The committee will be coming before both boards to present information on what they found through the survey (314 participants) sharing direction of what they want in town: school, police station, and roads. The joint committee will offer ideas on how to fund these items.

Group of volunteers with their own ideas, letting them drive in their own direction (survey). Getting the community involved, even if only on the survey, is helpful. Selectmen have an open board. Public input at the very beginning. They don't discourage them from making comments.

Selectmen want the committee to remain open. Personal involvement is to drive the comments.

Mr. Harmon: We have public comments at the start of our meetings and do not discourage citizens.

Understanding that there will be another survey. That would be at least another month away, recommendations would then be at least September or later. If any board has to react and change what we are going to do may not have time.

Cost savings on a day to day basis of what the town and school do now, and do very well. Is there anything we can do to continue the savings in the day to day operations to save money.

There was talk about two committees, for building and for day to day costs.

Mr. Saulnier: Have not taken a vote to have another survey yet. It will take time and will cost a little money. Concerned to follow procedures. Stick with votes. Proper votes, have a quorum. Few people can't make meetings leaving the board with only 8 members attending.

Mr. Welch: Can't comment a lot because he doesn't follow the committee. He hasn't seen a report about accomplishments or direction.

Mr. Wood: What has come out of the committee is the need for communication with the town. The Selectmen have begun the communication. One survey questions: "Where do you get you information about the town or school?" Town does not do a regular newsletter. School does e-mail but only to those associated to the school. Mr. Harmon: Our communications are geared to students and their parents and we are active on social media, with more communications activity to come.

Mr. Saulnier: Talked to Dr. McCoy about bringing a blurb at School Board meetings about what is going on in the schools.

Mr. Barnes: A committee a few years ago trying to combine costs and it didn't work. The Town Manager worked with the previous superintendents to combine insurance but it would not work; same with sharing a financial person. A citizen felt that the boards didn't work together, but it is not like that now. The Town Manager and Superintendent having discussions about how to share resources is a great idea, but it does not always work out.

The current Shared Resource Committee can't do anything about some things and are not sure how to attack it. Mr. Saulnier and Mr. Barnes:, Talk about cutting, but that is not what we want. There is a list of resources that the town and school share and that is more than most towns.

Mr. Barnes: One of the reasons that the committee was formed was to determine whether to focus on a school or police station. The survey results show that both are needed. The Selectmen have not talked about the police station this year. Whether the School Board brings a school forward is not the decision of the Shared Resource Committee, but the Board and Superintendent. The same with the Selectmen and the police station. The committee did a good job putting out the survey and gathering information.

Mr. Harmon: If both building projects are on the ballot, neither will pass. School was 52% police station 38%. Hopes that this committee would make a recommendation as to what project to put on the ballot. Then the School Board and Selectmen would make their decisions.

Ms. Serrine; Not sure that the direction of the committee is clear. Being a member of the committee, it is bringing people together. Maybe it should be repurposed from the Shared Resources Committee and another committee be established for building projects. Communicate between boards. Dialogue that this committee would have, maybe a subcommittee to decide. We can't go back to the taxpayers with two building projects and roads in one year. In a realistic world that can't happen. If we are expecting budgetary recommendations, that they need to come only from the people on the committee. We need the time to look at priorities. My understanding is to set those priorities.

Mr. Wood: Two selectmen, two school board members to attend on the 10th to bring ideas back to the boards.

Mr. Welch: Broad representation of the boards and public. I think that their recommendations would be good.

Mr. Saulnier: After we hear recommendations, there should be a subcommittee.

Ms. Serrine: Biggest thing is communication, not understanding the process. This committee works on that and starts to educate the public on our process. Looking for guidance on other bigger tickets for which there is not enough time and perhaps there should be a subcommittee. This committee was formed not only for the big projects. How can we prioritize if we are looking at too much?. Not clear about the charge.

Mr. Saulnier: Been a consensus, nod your head, as the Shared Resources Committee, we need to take votes. Hopefully this will continue and move forward.

Mr. Harmon: Concern, making sure that any recommendations made will be made in time for the Boards to move on it. Boards should have given the committee a charge.

Mr. Plante: Confused about what the committee should be doing. It was set up to save the taxpayers money, not decide who is going to spend the money first.

Mr. Bemis: Give the committee the charge. How did the Shared Resources Committee become a committee to recommend buildings?

Mr. Harmon: What are the expectations of this committee. I think all 10 board members would have different opinions. In April, I thought the committee would give recommendations to what we should do in

March. We, at this meeting, should come up with a charge for the committee. It doesn't make sense to put two bonds on the table.

Mr. Wood: Set up a joint meeting after the Shared Resources Committee meets on August 10th.

Shared Resources Committee Alternate Member Carol Watjus: Alternate Watched or attended all meetings. Never struggled about what the committee does. Set up to save taxpayers money. Board members moved the direction away from saving money. Advisory committee. No one was sworn in. People not known about the rules for a meeting. If advisory only, no published rules. If the committee was never formed what would each one of the board members be doing? Would you be doing your warrants or would you be waiting for the committee to come in with a recommendation. The committee has no rules because it is not an elected board.

Mr. Saulnier: A charge was brought up but not voted on.

Mrs. Watjus: Show me the RSA that an advisory committee has rules, votes, that govern how these meetings are run, What I heard that committee wasn't doing their job, wasn't following rules, was doing something other than they started doing.

Mr. Harmon: Board members have been bringing reports back to the School Board and Selectmen. Concern: time to act, react to recommendations, report.

Mr. Barnes: One of the things that the committee came up with was the communication problems, as a result the town manager is doing a newsletter.

Mrs. Watjus: Sharing resources is what the committee is for.

Mr. Saulnier and Ms. Serrine: Name is misleading.

Ms. Serrine: What is happening is great, but the committee can't tackle what the survey is asking for.

Mr. Saulnier: If the committee wasn't formed, I would hope that the School Board would meet with the Selectmen about school and police station dilemma.

The Board of Selectmen adjourned their meeting at 8:07 PM.

Non-Public Session: MOTION: Jaclyn Serrine moved, seconded by Joseph Saulnier, to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (b) "The hiring of any person as a public employee" and (c) "Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting." Upon the Board members being individually polled, the motion was voted in the affirmative by Jaclyn Serrine, Joseph Saulnier, Michelle Couture, Janice Arsenault, and John Harmon. Other than the vote to exit non-public session (which was moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and upon the Board members

being individually polled, was voted in the affirmative by Jaclyn Serrine, Joseph Saulnier, Michelle Couture, Janice Arsenault, and John Harmon), one motion was voted during this non-public session.

Nominations/Resignations: MOTION: Jaclyn Serrine moved, seconded by Joseph Saulnier, to approve the nomination of Kaylee Vance as a teacher at LRES for 2017-18. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Michelle Couture recusing herself.

MOTION: Joseph Saulnier moved, seconded by Jaclyn Serrine, to approve the nomination of Jennifer Feiden as a math teacher at RHS for 2017-18. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Michelle Couture recusing herself.

MOTION: Jaclyn Serrine moved, seconded by Joseph Saulnier, to approve the nomination of Abigail Samsel as a library media specialist at LRES for 2017-18. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Michelle Couture recusing herself.

MOTION: Joseph Saulnier moved, seconded by Jaclyn Serrine, to approve the nomination of Joshua Forkey as a social studies teacher at RHS for 2017-18. Voted unanimously in the affirmative with Michelle Couture recusing herself.

Manifest Signing: A quorum of the Board signed the manifest. Accounts Payable total \$176,653.94. Payroll total \$131,194.78.

Adjournment: MOTION: Jaclyn Serrine moved, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to adjourn the meeting. Voted unanimously in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Arsenault,  
School Board Secretary

Raymond School Board Non-Public Session  
July 25, 2017  
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A. Personnel

Present: School Board Members John Harmon, Janice Arsenault, Jaclyn Serrine, Joseph Saulnier, and Michelle Couture; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy.

The Superintendent reviewed the resignation of Curriculum Coordinator Melissa Lefebvre with the School Board. MOTION: Michelle Couture moved, seconded by Joseph Saulnier, to accept the resignation of Melissa Lefebvre, effective August 17, 2017. Voted unanimously in the affirmative. It was noted during discussion that the superintendents of both districts would work out the details of having Melissa come back to the Raymond School District and that when she is working in Raymond, Raymond would be responsible for her compensation.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Arsenault,  
School Board Secretary

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B. Personnel

Present: School Board Members John Harmon, Janice Arsenault, Jaclyn Serrine, and Joseph Saulnier; Superintendent of Schools Tina McCoy.

The Superintendent reviewed this evening's REA nominations with the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Arsenault,  
School Board Secretary