

**TOWN OF POMFRET  
BOARD OF FINANCE MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015 AT 6:30 PM  
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: Board of Finance Members Ken Kristal, Carolyn Gerrity, Alyson Aleman, Jorge Martinez, Michael Baum, Margie Huoppi. Also present: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Treasurer Cheryl Grist, citizens Charlie Tracy and Debbie Thompson.

- I. Open Regular Meeting** – K. Kristal opened meeting at 6:30 PM.
  - a. Approve Minutes Meetings of June 8, 2015** – M. Huoppi moved to approve minutes of June 8<sup>th</sup>. J. Martinez seconded. All in favor.
  - b. Items to be added to Agenda** - None
  - c. Citizen's Participation** - None
  
- II. New Business**
  - a. To consider and act on a resolution recommending an appropriation and borrowing authorization for costs related to the design, construction, installation and equipping of sanitary sewer facilities along Pomfret Street / State Route 44 from the Pomfret School property to the Loos & Co., Inc. property, and then along Airline North State Park Trail from the trail's intersection with Pomfret Street / State Route 44 northeast along the trail to a connection at the inlet to the Town of Putnam's sanitary sewerage treatment plant, and related improvements and appurtenances; and for costs related to the financing thereof** – A copy of the proposed Resolution was available for review. M. Nicholson provided a brief synopsis of where the project is at this point. The second application is pending for a total cost of 7.99 million. Discussion followed with questions from the Board that related to how the Operating and Maintenance Agreements were structured, what type of security is provided within them for the Town in the event that one of the entities does not pay or should go out of business or transfer ownership. An additional concern was with where the liability would lie should an injury occur either during construction or some time in later years. The Board consensus was that they were in favor of this project but would like definitive answers to the questions they had before they could vote on this recommendation. It was determined that this item would be tabled to a Special Meeting of the Board of Finance on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 6:00 PM at the Community/Senior Center. A. Aleman will contact the Town Attorney with the questions posed by the Board to answer and clarify their concerns. She will bring those answers back to the Board at the Special Meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> when action will again be considered.
  
- III. Current Business**

- a. **Treasurer's Report** –Investment Reports were distributed for review. C. Grist provided a brief outline of current investments and their returns.
- b. **Tax Collector's Report** – Report distributed for review.
- c. **Assessor's Report** - None
- d. **Board of Education Report** - None
- e. **Board of Selectmen Report** – M. Nicholson stated that the Selectmen approved a revised Ordinance that would change the Tax Collector position to an appointed one. A Special Town Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, for a vote on this proposed Ordinance. One of the Road Crew employees is out until further notice due to a non-work injury. They are now operating with a total of three employees. Consideration may be warranted in the future for an additional employee within the Highway Department. They have limited staffing for a wide range of responsibilities. Senior Center upgrades were completed throughout the month of June. Heating, ventilation, siding, and gutters were all repaired or upgraded. The interior has received a facelift with new paint, chairs, and programming. The response to date has been positive. The library has now opened their additional day as planned and added a staff member. Surveyors can be seen around town doing the preliminary work for gas lines, Wappaquoi Bridge work, and for the Sidewalk project along Pomfret Street. The Congregational Church is gearing up to rebuild. Their Text Amendment has been approved by Planning and Zoning and designs have been done for the new building. Grosvenor Road will need to be straightened where it meets Pomfret Street to allow for adequate setbacks and the discontinuation of Church Road will be necessary and brought to a Town Meeting at a later date.
- f. **Board of Finance – Member Reports & Discussion** - Brief discussion of reports through June, 2015. Recent reports indicate approximately \$90,000 to be returned to General Fund and over \$100,000 in additional revenues. LoCIP money not yet paid by the State but it is anticipated to post sometime in August.

**IV. Other Business** - None

**V. Correspondence** - None

**VI. Citizen's Participation** - None

**VII. Adjournment** – M. Baum moved to adjourn. C. Gerrity seconded. All in favor and meeting duly adjourned at 7:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved\_\_\_\_\_