

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Jim Rivers, Selectmen Maureen Nicholson, Peter Mann.
Also present: Ann Hennen, Walter Hinchman, Pam Lewerenz.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes February 21, 2012** – J. Rivers opened meeting at 7:00 PM. M. Nicholson moved to approve minutes. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

2. **Items to Add to Agenda** – J. Rivers moved to add discussion of Pomfret Times to New Business, item 3. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** - None

II. New Business

1. **Pomfret 300th – Review and Possible Adoption of Stationery** – J. Rivers motioned to adopt the presented ‘Pomfret 300’ stationery as the official stationery for the town’s 300th celebration, to be effective from the kick-off date at Positively Pomfret in September, 2012, to be used through December, 2013. M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor.

2. **Review and Possible Approval of Transition Plan for ADA Self-Evaluation** – This Self-Evaluation Policy/Plan needs to be put into place as a funding requirement for USDA grant monies toward the proposed sewer line. Most of the ADA accessibility requirements have already been met by the town but this program will allow for periodic reviews to ensure on-going compliance. A checklist and proposed policy were presented and reviewed. M. Nicholson motioned to approve the policy for Self-Evaluation and Transition Plans as presented. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

3. **Pomfret Times Discussion** – Woody Woodbridge has expressed a desire to meet with the editors to discuss some concerns. M. Nicholson will schedule a meeting between herself, Liz Cartier, and Woody Woodbridge. They will review whether or not the paper’s by-laws are still applicable, the timeliness of the paper, and the continued necessity of the paper. Their findings will later be presented to the Board.

III. Current Business

1. **Retirees Medical Supplement – Discussion and Possible Action** – An increase to this supplement was approved to go to Town Meeting by the Board. However the original town approvals did not address the dollar amount. The amount is stated in the employee handbook – which can be revised by vote of the Board of Selectmen. Some discussion. Item tabled until the Board can review the Town Meeting minutes when the original policy was adopted.

2. **Senior Center – Update and Discussion** – The Senior Advocate Commission Ordinance is on the call for a Special Town Meeting in March. The Selectmen’s office will ask Glenn to fix the ceiling hole and look into correcting the thermostat. A reminder will go out to the Boy Scouts that their meetings are scheduled in the basement of the building.
3. **Discussion – Application for Zoning Text Amendments** - Tabled
4. **Budget Discussion FY 2012/2013 and Possible Action** – Review of the budget with changes discussed at the last meeting. M. Nicholson stated she was comfortable moving this forward as it stands. P. Mann felt it could go to the Board of Finance and an Informational Session with the Townspeople before any possible changes are made. M. Nicholson motioned to approve the budget as presented this evening to take to the Board of Finance. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

IV. Other Business

1. **Road Issues** - None
2. **General Discussion** –The disposition of the plotter still needs to be investigated. A letter will go out to the Scoutmaster of Troop 26 inviting the Eagle Scouts to attend the upcoming Town Meeting for recognition at the end of the meeting. An FOI/All Boards meeting will still be pursued – likely after the end of the budget process. P. Mann moved to add Quarterly Tax Discussion to Other Business, Item 4. M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor.
3. **Pistol Permits Issued:** None
4. **Discussion – Quarterly Tax Payments** – The Tax Collector had forwarded a memo to the Board of Selectmen with results of investigations regarding quarterly tax bills. P. Mann moved to rescind/reverse his motion from the meeting of February 21st regarding this change. M. Nicholson rescinded/reversed her second and all were in favor of the same.

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: As Attached - None

VI. Citizen's Comments - None

- VII. **Adjournment** – M. Nicholson moved to adjourn. P. Mann seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____