

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Jim Rivers, Selectmen Maureen Nicholson, Peter Mann.
Also present: John Carter, Sybil Williams, Pam Lewerenz, Donna Olsen, Joyce Davis

I. Regular Meeting

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

2. **Items to Add to Agenda** – J. Rivers motioned to add Transfer Items as Proposed by Treasurer to New Business, item 4. M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor. He also motioned to move New Business, item 1 regarding exemption request to Executive Session, item VII. and to add VIII Other Business under regular meeting as Possible Action regarding Exemption Request. M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor.

3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** – John Carter asked is the opening on the Senior Advocate Commission has been filled yet. It has not.

II. New Business

1. **Review and Possible Approval-Conservation Commission Resignation** – James Robbins has submitted his resignation from the Conservation Commission effective December, 2011. M. Nicholson moved to approve with regard and to forward a letter of thanks to Jim. P. Mann seconded. P. Mann expressed some concern that the letter dated in May, 2012 refers back to a resignation of Dec., 2011. All in favor of motion.

2. **Review and Possible Approval of Resolution Extending Linking Trails Grant and Shift of Remaining Funds** – J. Rivers stated that this grant is in existence and the Resolution will extend the grant period and allow for the expansion of its use to other trails in town. P. Mann moved to approve Resolution for this Linking Trails Grant and M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor.

3. **Review and Possible Approve of Transfer Items as Recommended by Treasurer** – M. Nicholson moved to approve as outlined. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

III. Current Business - None

IV. Other Business

1. **Road Issues** –P. Mann mentioned some concern voiced recently about the site line where Valentine Road comes out onto Route 169. The growth that obstructs the view is privately owned but the owners have recently agreed that the Town may trim them to improve the site-line. P. Mann also asked

about poison ivy growing along the roadside and the possibility of it being sprayed or cut. The Highway Dept. typically cuts this.

2. **General Discussion** – M. Nicholson reviewed some information regarding State approved funding through ‘Main Street Fund’ – which will have grant money available to towns with a population under 30,000 and qualify as STEAP grant towns. There are a number of qualifying grant project areas that Pomfret would meet. This will continue to be looked into.
3. **Pistol Permits Issued:** Holly Morin, 286 Searles Road, 5/9/12; Jamie Fuller, 312 Quassett Road, 5/23/12 – Noted to record.

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: As Attached - None

VI. Citizen's Comments – Sybil Williams asked if there is a person or group funding the flags that hang along the street during the Memorial Day season. An individual started a fund some time ago and the town puts money into it each year, allowing for new flags approximately every 5 years. Pam Lewerenz asked about a possible sub-committee to look into deferred tax information or other relief-type efforts. Some discussion. J. Rivers had a number of suggestions that he will look into.

VII. Executive Session – Exemption Request – M. Nicholson moved to go into Executive Session to discuss the possible exemption request with the Board of Selectmen, Pam Lewerenz, Donna Olsen, and Joyce Davis to remain present. P. Mann seconded. All in favor and meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:40 PM.
Board adjourned from Executive Session at 8:10 PM with no action taken and resumed regular meeting.

VIII. Regular Meeting – Other Business - None

IX. Adjournment – P. Mann moved to adjourn and M. Nicholson seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____