

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 6, 2013 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Selectmen James Rivers, Peter Mann. Also present: Monique Caron, Susan LaRose, Sally Johnson, David Smith

I. Regular Meeting

1. Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes April 15, 2013 – M.

Nicholson opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. J. Rivers moved to approve minutes. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

2. Items to Add to Agenda – M. Nicholson requested adding a Sewer Project Discussion under Current Business, item 4 and noted an additional Pistol Permit. Moved and seconded. All in favor.

3. Citizen Participation & Communications – M. Caron stated that the Senior Center could still use a light in the parking lot.

II. Current Business

1. Review & Possible Approval – 5 Year Capital Plan and Town Aid Roads – Distributed for review. J. Rivers motioned to approve both the 5-Year Capital plan and the Town Aid Road proposal as presented and to forward both to Town Meeting. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

2. Discussion: Possible FY 13/14 Budget Adjustment/Re-Opened Unemployment Claim – M. Nicholson stated that she had received notice that a previous unemployment claim has been reopened and the Town remains within the look-back period with regard to payment responsibility. The actual billing won't begin for a few months and the total liability for the upcoming fiscal year can fall somewhere around \$ 3300. Some discussion followed and the consensus of the Board was to leave the budget as currently stands and not increase it. This amount could vary or go away entirely if the claimant finds employment.

3. Set Annual Meeting Date – M. Nicholson motioned to set the Annual Town Meeting Date for May 22, 2013 at 7:00 PM. This year's meeting will take place at Pomfret First Congregational Church in light of the 300th Anniversary. Seconded by J. Rivers. All in favor.

4. Discussion – Sewer Project – Dave Smith with KWP was present to introduce himself and provide a timeline on moving forward with this project. KWP will provide guidance to the Town as this project moves forward. A design firm should be decided upon by summer and a construction bid ready to go out early next year. Dave will return to the next Selectmen's meeting to provide an update.

III. New Business

1. Re-Appointments: Senior Advocate Commission – Ann Hinchman and Cathy Grant – M. Nicholson stated that both of these people are up

for reappointment. Ann Hinchman has stated to her that as she is away each summer she is interested in becoming an alternate member and Cathy Grant has agreed to fill Ann's regular member seat. J. Rivers motioned to appoint Ann Hinchman to the alternate seat for a 1-year term and to appoint Cathy Grant to the regular member seat for a 1-year term. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

2. **Re-Appointments: Agricultural Commission – Linda Rich and James Ellsworth** – P. Mann moved to approve the reappointment of Linda Rich to another 1-year term and to reappoint Jim Ellsworth as an alternate for a 1-year term. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
3. **Review & Possible Approval – ACS Agreement** – Cheryl Grist has presented this agreement for approval by the Board. J. Rivers motioned to approve the ACS Agreement as presented and to authorize the First Selectman to sign as needed. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.
4. **Review & Possible Approval – Truck Purchase** – Glenn Postemski, Director of Public Works, has indicated that the oldest of his fleet has become unsafe and needs to be replaced. Funds are available in the Town Aid Road balance. P. Mann moved to approve the expenditure of up to \$82,000 for the purpose of a replacement truck. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
5. **Review & Possible Action – Final Invoicing/Covell Road Bridge** – The final inspection invoice has been held in light of the missing documentation from CHA. An additional invoice is still expected for the As-Builts. The State has accepted the documentation they have recreated and all monies outstanding up to this point have been reimbursed to the Town. Barbara Madejek with the DOT has agreed to provide the Town with a list of items that were unsatisfactory per the contract with CHA. Once this list is received this invoice will be revisited and a payment determination made.

IV. Other Business

1. **Road Issues** - None
2. **Burning Permits – Issuance Discussion** – Permits are currently not issued on Red days - yet a call to QV Dispatch is required by the permit holder each day before burning and the permits are good for 30 days. Citizens who cannot secure a permit on a Red Thursday would need to reapply on Monday – yet burning may become available on Friday through the weekend.
3. **General Discussion** – Brief discussion regarding Charter and locations in town that cannot receive service. Jim Rivers has tried to correct his in the past but to no avail with Charter. J. Rivers also stated that his full-time job has become more demanding and he is finding it more difficult to meet his obligations to the Town. While he is not submitting his resignation he would prefer to leave before November if qualified candidates were available.

4. **Pistol Permits Issued:** Daniel Olm, 742 Brayman Hollow, 4/23/13 – Jesse Livernoche, 24 Drown Road, 4/30/13 – Both noted for record.
5. **Tax Refunds/Abatements: As Attached - None**

V. **Citizen's Comments** – Sally Johnson asked if the Town will be liable for that unemployment claim forever. The Town will not – the liability is for an additional 6 months.

VI. **Adjournment** – P. Mann moved to adjourn. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____