

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2014 AT 8:00 AM
POMFRET SENIOR/COMMUNITYCENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Selectmen Barry Jessurun, Peter Mann. Also present: Preston Records, James Delsanto

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes February 3, 2014** – Meeting opened at 8:00 AM. B. Jessurun moved to approve minutes. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** - None
3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** – Mr. Delsanto stated that he is a resident on Tyott Road and is requesting some consistency with regard to plowing and sanding this road. Post storm in particular was his concern as he has had problems with passage after more than one storm. Mr. Records stated that he is a resident on Taft Pond Road and he also felt there was inconsistency in treating the roads during storms. It often takes a long time before the road is cleared. Some discussion.
M. Nicholson moved to move the Budget Discussion to below IV. 4. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor.

II. Current Business - None

III. New Business

1. **Firefighter Abatement** – The proposed revision has been updated to address earlier questions. The Town Attorney is currently reviewing. No action taken.

IV. Other Business

1. **Road Issues/Discussion of Route 244 Concerns** – M. Nicholson stated that the Town of Eastford has agreed to send the DOT a letter as well concerning Route 244. Discussion continued with regard to road clearing concerns that have been expressed. Some of the considerations given to timing of storms, paved and unpaved roads were discussed. Residents present expressed the desire for safe and passable conditions after a storm with good traction. Discussion. M. Nicholson stated that the road crew is very experienced and does a great job. Each storm is different and is handled in the way warranted by conditions. P. Mann brought up the truck traffic concerns Mr. Preston has had regarding Taft Pond Road. He stated it is typically the log trucks from Hull. P. Mann will call Hull Forest Products.
2. **General Discussion** – P. Mann asked about the cost of the display cases recently purchased. There are two separate purchases. The Historical Society purchased cases for the Old Town House. The 300th Committee is

gifting the Town the other cases for Town Hall display and to house the Tercentennial Quilt.

3. **Pistol Permits Issued:** Elliott Ellsworth, 915B Hampton Road, 2/3/14 – Noted to record.
4. **Tax Refunds/Abatements: As Attached - None**
5. **Preliminary FY 14/15 Budget Discussion and Possible Approval –**
Discussion and review of preliminary budget appropriations. A few recommendations made. M. Nicholson is waiting for confirmation of capital requests from PCS before finalizing that aspect of budget. She was also looking for feedback from the other Selectmen regarding fairly flat budgets and the use, or not, of reserve funds to impact taxation. No action taken.

- V. **Executive Session** – M. Nicholson moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter with the Board of Selectmen to remain present. P. Mann seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 10:00 AM.

1. **Executive Session – Personnel Matter**

Meeting adjourned from Executive Session at 10:21 AM with no action taken.

Regular meeting reconvened at 10:22 AM

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

- VII. **Adjournment** – P. Mann moved to adjourn. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:23 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____