

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 7, 2014 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET SENIOR/COMMUNITYCENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Selectmen Barry Jessurun, Peter Mann. Also present: Kathy Casey, John Casey, Rick Klemola

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes June 16, 2014** – M. Nicholson opened meeting at 7:00 PM. P. Mann moved to approve minutes. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** - None
3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** - None

II. Current Business

1. **Update: Regional Tech Park/Sewer Project/Nutmeg Network/Probate MOU/Lease** – M. Nicholson reported that there are no updates regarding the Tech Park or the Sewer Project. She met with representatives from Digital Back Office – a company involved with the Nutmeg Network. While this internet connection would be beneficial to the Town, the maintenance fees are still too high to justify participation, although she will continue to look into alternatives that would bring the costs down. Some discussion.

III. New Business

1. **IWWC – Appointment** – P. Mann moved to appoint Bill Gould as a regular member of the Inland Wetlands Commission, to fill the remaining term of Marshall Eaton.
M. Nicholson stated she had letters of resignation also from Rebecca Rich as alternate with the Planning and Zoning Commission and two Recreation Commission resignations – Shivanie Staples and Anne Shields. B. Jessurun moved to accept all of these resignations with regret and letters of thanks. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.
2. **Discussion: Cemetery Maintenance** –At the last meeting John Carter had been present representing the Grange and offered the idea of monuments at each cemetery to ensure veteran recognition. The Grange had offered the Town \$200 to start that project. The money was declined with thanks as additional concerns need to be looked at regarding the maintenance of the cemeteries. There are many cemeteries in Town and three Associations. The Associations are made up of all volunteers. John Casey spoke about the work and time involved in maintaining cemeteries and marking plots. He has been looking for more help for some time but has received no offers. He knows that the other Associations have been doing the same. Discussion continued regarding maintenance, upkeep, veteran's lists, and the need for more volunteers. M. Nicholson will talk to the other

Associations and gather more information with a goal of determining a long-term plan.

IV. Other Business

1. **Road Issues** – CL&P has contacted the town with the street names where cutting will be taking place. They are currently in the process of some cutting and contacting residents. P. Mann stated there is still a site-line issue when exiting Seely-Brown. This is a State road and the DOT has been contacted.
2. **General Discussion** – B. Jessurun stated that the VOIP phone systems that were discussed earlier in the day appeared to have great functionality and would likely save money. M. Nicholson stated that the Fire Marshal has resigned and Ray Allen was sworn in as the new Fire Marshal last week. Deputy Norm Perron has been doing many of the inspections that were needed by the Pomfret and Rectory schools during the past month.
3. **Pistol Permits Issued:** John McCarthy, 19 Taft Pond Road, 6/18/14 – Noted for record.
4. **Tax Refunds/Abatements:** Catherine Koivisto, COC, \$62.09; Kathleen Lefebvre, COC, \$96.55 – B. Jessurun moved to approve as presented. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

- V. Citizen's Comments** – Rick Klemola stated that some of the growth at Route 97 and Fay Road could be cut back some more – especially along the Rte. 97 side.

- VI. Adjournment** – B. Jessurun moved to approve. P. Mann seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____