TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER

In Attendance: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Selectmen Barry Jessurun, Peter Mann. Also present: Cheryl Grist, Town Clerk, Pam Lewerenz, Tax Collector.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes of May 18, 2015 –** M. Nicholson opened meeting at 7:15 PM. B. Jessurun moved to approve minutes of May 18, 2015. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

2. **Items to Add to Agenda –** M. Nicholson moved to revise item III. 1 to include Town Clerk and Treasurer discussion and to add to New Business, 3. Consideration of Special Town Meeting Date. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor.

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

II. Current Business

1. **Agriculture Commission Appointments –** M. Nicholson stated that Ellsworth Chase has requested he be moved from his seat as a regular member and put into that as alternate. Adam Squire, current alternate, would be moved to E. Chase's regular member seat. So moved by B. Jessurun. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

III. New Business

1. **Ordinance for Appointed Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Treasurer –** M. Nicholson stated that many other towns have gone this route. These positions are all up for election in November so a change now would be timely. A change to appointed positions would allow for a greater pool of qualified candidates as these positions open. The complexity of these jobs has increased and it is important to fill them with qualified candidates. Those currently in these positions would complete the elected terms with the expectation that they would then be appointed. M. Nicholson has spoken with both C. Grist and P. Lewerenz. They both had no concerns other than a 3 member board ultimately deciding the appointments. Discussion. M. Nicholson will bring some language that is consistent with the Assessor appointment to the next meeting for further discussion.
2. **Consideration of Special Town Meeting –** P. Mann moved to approve the date of June 25, 2015 for a Special Town Meeting at 6:30 PM at Pomfret Community School and to bring to the same for consideration the Sanitary Sewer System Project in an amount of up to 7.4 million dollars to be funded by USDA funds. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor. ***Amendment

IV. Other Business

1. **Road Issues –** Holmes Road has been worked on. The highway crew has been working on brush cutting and trimming trees. The Kings Highway question has been put off for discussion until September so all interested residents can be present.
2. **General Discussion –** A number of items have been repaired at the Senior Center. There are still items slated to be completed. The lighting is up at the Little League Field with a shut-off date of 10:00 PM. The Planning & Zoning Commission have scheduled a Special Meeting on June 9th for further consideration of the First Congregational Church's proposed text amendment that would allow them to rebuild with some expansion at the existing site.
3. **Pistol Permits Issued:** Burt Salmonm, 8 Railroad Street, 5/18/15; Jessica Jellison, 172 Hampton Road, 5/28/15 – Noted to record.
4. **Tax Refunds/Abatements:** CAB East, LLC, COC, $314.10 **–** B. Jessurun moved to approve as presented. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

V. Citizen's Comments - None

V I. Adjournment – Moved and duly seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

***Special Town Meeting will not be held on that date. Further consideration to be given at subsequent meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date Approved_____