

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2015 AT 8:00 AM
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Selectmen Barry Jessurun, Peter Mann. Also Present: Tim McNally, Donna Smith, Jeanette Sullivan, Sally Johnson, Tony Emilio, Charlie Tracy.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes of November 2, 2015 and November 10, 2015** – M. Nicholson opened meeting at 8:00 AM. B. Jessurun moved to approve minutes of November 2, 2015 and November 10, 2015. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** – M. Nicholson stated she would like to amend New Business, item 1 Building Committee to include Signs and Cemeteries. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor.
3. **Citizen Comments** – Jeannette Sullivan mentioned that flags should be at half- mast due to the events in Paris. Donna Smith thanked Maureen Nicholson and Peter Mann for their service to the Town. Charlie Tracy thanked Maureen for her decades of service to the Town and many good deeds.

II. New Business

1. **Appointment: Main Street Investment Grant/America The Beautiful, Signs and Cemeteries Building Committee** – M. Nicholson stated that she would like to appoint a Committee to oversee these projects and moved to appoint Brenda Bullied, Mario Hutato, Barry Jessurun, Elaine Nelson, Maureen Nicholson, and Glenn Postemski as Committee Members. B. Jessurun seconded. P. Mann asked if this was a Standing Committee. It could be. All in favor of appointments as listed.
2. **Other Appointments** – M. Nicholson stated that she would like to appoint a Building Committee to oversee the combined projects of the Fire House extension, and the EOC projects on the Booker property and moved to appoint John Navarro, Barry Jessurun, Maureen Nicholson, Brett Sheldon, Glenn Postemski, and Pat Boyd to the Committee. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor.
3. **Resolution Approval – NECCOG Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan** – M. Nicholson stated that this Plan has been in the works for some time through NECCOG, DEMHS, and FEMA. The Plan has now been approved through these agencies and will need to be adopted by participating Towns. M. Nicholson read the Resolution into the record. The approval of this natural Mitigation Plan will make the Town eligible for a previously applied for grant to obtain two generators to be located at the Town Hall and one at the Pomfret School Field House. The Field House is a designated shelter and is currently undergoing upgrades as

such. B. Jessurun moved to approve Resolution as presented. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

III. Current Business - None

IV. Other Business

- 1. Road Issues - None**
- 2. Discussion – Purchasing Cards** – M. Nicholson stated that as recommended by a previous auditor the Town has obtained Purchasing Cards through a State Program. Currently the Recreation Director and the Director of Public Works has cards in their possession. A Policy has yet to be approved.
- 3. General Discussion** – Pomfret has earned a Bright Idea Grant in the amount of \$5,000 through the recognition as received from Shawn Johnston and Eversource at the last meeting. She suggested a Committee to start benchmarking energy use as documented savings will allow for additional monies in subsequent years.
- 4. Pistol Permits Issued:** Koelli Ashwell, 20 Cooney Road, 11/3/15; Michael Lemoine, 158 Gary School Road, 11/5/15 – Noted to record.
- 5. Tax Refunds/Abatements: As Attached** – B. Jessurun moved to approve as presented. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

V. Citizen's Comments - Tony Emilio thanked both M. Nicholson and P. Mann for their service to the Town and hoped they would be a positive force for the incoming Administration. This was echoed by Tim McNally who commented on the many projects and improvements Maureen initiated at the Town Hall and the dedication she has exhibited over the past three years.

VI. Executive Session – M. Nicholson moved to go to Executive Session with Selectmen and Bonnie Ryan to remain present. P. Mann seconded. All in favor.

1. Review & Discussion of Tax Collector Applications

Board adjourned from Executive Session at 8:20 AM with no action taken.

Re-Convene Regular Meeting – Regular meeting re-opened at 8:21 AM.

VII. Current Business

- 1. Action on Tax Collector Position** – M. Nicholson moved to appoint Pam Gaumont as Tax Collector for the four year appointment. B. Jessurun seconded. All in favor.

VII. Adjournment – M. Nicholson moved to adjourn. P. Mann seconded. All in Favor and meeting duly adjourned at 8:22 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

date approved_____