

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016 AT 8:00 AM
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Craig Baldwin, Selectman Donna Smith. Also present: Ken Kristal, Maureen Nicholson, JoAnn Baldwin.

I. Regular Meeting – Open Meeting – C. Baldwin opened meeting at 8:00 AM.

1. **Approve Minutes of April 8, 2016** – D. Smith moved to approve as presented. C. Baldwin seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** - None
3. **Citizen Participation and Communications** – M. Nicholson asked about the status of the various projects that the Town is involved in. C. Baldwin provided the following update: Sidewalk Project – there has been some reservations from some of the abutting entities concerning maintenance. He has received no response from the church. In light of this and additional money needed to complete this project, consideration is being given to shifting this funding to crosswalks and crossing lights in front of each of the private schools; EOC/Firehouse – Packages are being put together for readiness to go to bid. Priority is on the Firehouse Extension but the EOC paperwork will follow close behind; Sewer Project – The Agreements were signed last week. DEEP has asked for engineering of 7 crossings instead of the gravel and as these are completed the bid packages will be finalized; the State work on Wappaquoi Bridge has started. Route 44 will be closed once PCS is finished for the summer and the road will re-open before the new school year starts. The piece of wall that will have to come down will be put back exactly as it stands; There has still been no response from the State with regard to the Solar Project.

II. New Business

1. **Discussion: Local Option/Veteran's Exemption** – Discussion tabled until full Board is present to review.

III. Other Business

1. **Road Issues** – There has been a request from the public to pave Rich Road. There is some money budgeted to resurface this road. The Longmeadow resurfacing is moving ahead with the new material planned to be used this summer. If it works well other roads in town will be identified for resurfacing with the same material which should save the town a considerable amount of money.
2. **General Discussion** – D. Smith reported that the Agricultural Leases are just about complete and should be finalized by the end of the month.
3. **Project Updates** – as reviewed during citizen comments.
4. **Tax Refunds/Abatements**: None

IV. Current Business

1. **Determination of Annual Town Meeting Date** – C. Baldwin motioned to schedule the Annual Town Meeting for Tuesday, May 17th at 7:00 PM at the Pomfret Community School. D. Smith seconded. All in favor.

V. **Citizen's Comments** – M. Nicholson asked about the State revenue projections for the upcoming year. No final determination has been reached as yet but all indications show a substantial decrease in funding.

VI. **Adjournment** – D. Smith moved to adjourn. C. Baldwin seconded. All in favor and meeting adjourned at 9:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____