

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN – PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017 AT 6:30 PM
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Craig Baldwin, Selectmen Barry Jessurun, Donna Smith.
Community Opportunities Group Representative Peter Sanborn, approximately 15 citizens and interested parties.

- I. Open Hearing** – C. Baldwin opened Public Hearing at 6:30 PM. He stated that this hearing related to the Small Cities Block Grant program and the intent to submit an application for capital improvements to Seely Brown Village. He introduced Mr. Peter Sanborn with Communities Opportunity Group, the firm awarded the RFP to prepare application and administer grant.
- II. Presentation of Information regarding the FY 2017 Community Development Block Grant Program/Small Cities Grant and possible funding amounts and uses for Seely-Brown Village** – Peter Sanborn stated that the program was funded with federal funds thru HUD. He reviewed how the program worked and the need for building improvements/repairs at Seely-Brown. The facility does not realize any capital reserves from the rent that it receives. The grant application will be for amounts up to \$800,000 but current estimates indicate the applied-for amount will be closer to \$600,000. Notice of Award should come somewhere between late June and mid- September. He also stated that among matters related to the grant application, the Board of Selectmen will need to approve a Program Income Plan and a Fair Housing Action Plan. He provided an explanation of what each of these are. He then opened the floor to questions. Maureen Nicholson asked if estimates included a new roof. It includes repair to the one-story roofs but not the main roof. That was evaluated and appears to still have a number of years left. There was a question about window replacement. The south and east windows will be replaced. There were no additional questions. Mr. Sanborn stated that letters of support for this grant application would be helpful and can be submitted to the Selectmen's office by the grant due date of April 13th in a letter or email format.
- III. Citizens Comments and Questions** – Nothing further.
- IV. Adjournment of Public Hearing** – Motion duly made and seconded and Public Hearing adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date Approved _____