

**TOWN OF POMFRET
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017 AT 6:30 PM - POMFRET SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Craig Baldwin, Selectmen Barry Jessurun, Donna Smith. Also present – approximately 17 citizens and interested parties.

- Article 1:** **To choose a Moderator for said meeting -** C. Baldwin opened Special Town Meeting at 6:30 PM and called for nominations of moderator. C. Gerrity nominated Peter Mann as moderator. Motion was duly seconded. There were no other nominations and motion and second was made to close nominations. Peter Mann voted as moderator by unanimous vote of aye.
- Article 2:** **To see if the Town will approve an Amendment to Section 3, item 3, of the ‘Ordinance Pertaining to Specifications of Roads’ as approved at Special Town Meeting, April 25, 1967. Said revision to state ‘Products which are applied to extend the life of the wearing course such as sealers or rejuvenators shall not contain coal tar’ and to include definitions of the same as set forth in said Amendment. Amendment approved by the Board of Selectmen on April 3, 2017. A copy of the proposed Ordinance is on file with the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk –** P Mann read Article 2 into the record. Bob Andrews moved to approve Article 2. Ray Wishart seconded. There was no further discussion. Article 2 approved by unanimous vote of aye.
- Article 3:** **To see if the Town will approve a ‘Veteran’s Ordinance’ as allowed under section 12-81 of Connecticut General Statutes (a). The Town shall provide that any veteran entitled to an exemption from property tax in accordance with subdivision (19) of section 12-81 of CGS shall be entitled to an additional exemption, provided such veteran’s qualifying income is not more than ten thousand dollars above the income limits as set forth in CGS Section 12-81l. The exemption provided for shall be applied to the assessed value of an eligible veteran’s property and shall be ten thousand dollars of such assessed value. Proposed Ordinance approved by the Board of Selectmen on May 16, 2016. A copy of the proposed Ordinance is on file with the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk –** P. Mann read Article 3 into the record. Carolyn Gerrity moved to approve Article 3. Garry Brown seconded. Marlene Heald had a question about the reference to \$10,000 as set forth in Statutes. Assessor Bonnie Duncan stated that State guidelines are followed. There were a few questions as to whether or not disability is considered as income. Veteran’s disability is not counted as income. Garry Brown stated that he felt we had an obligation to veterans to help make it easier to stay in town. Disabilities are typically due to service. There was no further discussion and Article 3 was approved by a unanimous vote of aye.
- Article 4:** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a Property Tax Payment Agreement between the Town of Pomfret and Renewal Energy Systems Americas, Inc. as allowed under Connecticut General Statute 32-71a(a) pertaining to the proposed development of an approximately 20 megawatt electrical generating facility located on two parcels of privately owned real estate located at and known as 90 and 101 Woods Hill Road in the Town of Pomfret, comprising approximately 224 acres. Said Agreement approved by the Board of Selectmen on April 3, 2017. A copy of the Proposed Contract Agreement and Schedules are on file with the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk – **Article 4 not to be considered at this time.**
- Article 5:** **To do any other business proper to come before said meeting –** There was no additional business and Patrick Boyd moved to adjourn meeting. Tima Smith seconded. All in favor and meeting duly adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Duly recorded: Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Attest: Cheryl A. Grist, Town Clerk