TOWN OF POMFRET BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2012 AT 6:30 PM PCS CONFERENCE ROOM

In Attendance: Board Members Ken Kristal, Margie Huoppi, Carolyn Gerrity, Mike Baum, Alyson Aleman. Superintendent Richard Packman, BOE Vice-Chair Kate Cerrone, Tax Collector Pam Lewerenz.

- **I. Open Regular Meeting** Meeting opened at 6:39 PM by K. Kristal.
 - **a.** Approve Minutes, Meeting of May 14, May 29, and May 30, 2012 M. Huoppi moved to approve minutes of May 14th. M. Baum seconded. All in favor. M. Huoppi moved to approve minutes of May 30th. M. Baum seconded. All in favor. M. Baum moved to approve minutes of May 29th. K. Kristal seconded. All in favor. M. Huoppi abstained as not present.
 - **b.** Items to be added to Agenda None
 - c. Citizen's Participation None

II. New Business

a. Consideration and Possible Approval of Recommended Transfer – K. Kristal moved to approve transfers as recommended. Motion was duly seconded. Discussion concerning transfers proposed. The Board determined that they would like an explanation concerning the lines that are overspent. The consensus being to wait until the final transfer proposals are presented or the next meeting held when an explanation can be obtained regarding these proposed transfer items. All opposed to motion, fails unanimously.

III. Current Business

- a. Treasurer's Report None
- **b.** Tax Collector's Report Report distributed and briefly discussed.
- c. Assessor's Report None
- **d. Board of Education Report** Nothing new to report.
- e. Board of Selectmen Report None
- f. Board of Finance Member Reports & Discussion None

IV. Other Business

- **a. Discussion Budget Process** K. Kristal stated that he wanted the Board to have an opportunity to present any ideas for next year's process. Members were in agreement that they would like more input from the public. Perhaps more news articles and advertising before the meetings. Brief discussion.
- b. Discussion Possible Strategies to Handle Projected Deficits Early in Budget Year – Discussion regarding strategies to handle any projected deficits as early as possible. Discussion primarily focused on the Board of

Education and the impacts of Special Education Costs. Frustration was expressed with the limited options available with regard to handling these costs.

V. **Correspondence** – K. Kristal has received a letter from Davies and O'Connell with dates for the preliminary audit work. They will be at the Town Hall in late June.

Ken also noted that it is anticipated that the July and August meetings will be canceled. If business comes up that must be addressed a meeting will be scheduled. Otherwise, the Board will reconvene on September 10th.

VI. Citizen's Participation - None

VI. **Adjournment** – M. Baum moved to adjourn. M. Huoppi seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Ryan, clerk
Date approved