

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF FINANCE
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018 AT 6:30 PM
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance – Board of Finance Members Margie Huoppi, Carolyn Gerrity, Michael Baum, Jennifer York, Dayna Flath, Debi Thompson. Also present – First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Superintendent of Schools Stephen Cullinan.

I. Open Workshop Meeting - M. Huoppi opened meeting at 6:35 PM.

II. Current Business

a. FY 2018/2019 General Government and Board of Education

Proposed Budgets – Discussion & Possible Action – Estimated revenues had been distributed to the Board with three separate impacts to the mil rate and use of undesignated fund illustrated. The Board of Selectmen approved a change to their budget this morning that added \$62,000 to the capital non-recurring budget for a tractor at PCS. The desire is for this to be off-set with undesignated money as has been discussed by the Board of Finance in the past. Discussion continued to determine consensus on where the Board would be most comfortable with a mil rate and thoughts on where State revenues may fall. Both Boards have kept their proposed budgets relatively flat. Use of undesignated fund was also discussed to fund some of the one-time capital expenses without adding to the tax burden. Both the Board of Education and the Board of Selectmen have provided possible items that could be funded in this way. M. Baum expressed some concern as this would not reduce budgets in the following year. The undesignated fund is above the Board's target of 10% and this would bring it down to some degree. Discussion. It was determined that these budgets would be taken to the Public Hearing as they currently stand with the intention of funding the following in off-setting revenue from the undesignated fund: PCS Tractor, \$62,000; Carter Road project, \$80,000; BOE E-Mail Migration project, \$14,400; BOE 3 Smart Projectors, \$7,125; BOE Art Room Heating, \$6,000 for a total of \$169,525. The Board felt it was most comfortable using estimated revenues that fell somewhere between the approved State budget and the Governor's proposed adjustments. The Public Hearing will be held on Monday, April 30th at 7:00 PM at PCS where the Board will hear comments and discussion from the public, after which the Board may further consider recommending changes to these budgets or approve them as presented.

III. Adjournment – Motion made to adjourn and duly seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Ryan, clerk

date approved_____