

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020 AT 8:00 AM
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Selectman Ellsworth Chase. Also present: Citizen Sally Rogers and two other citizens.

I. Regular Meeting–Open Meeting– Meeting opened at 8:00 AM by M.Nicholson.

- 1. Approve Minutes of February 3, 2020** – E. Chase moved to approve as presented. M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor.
- 2. Items to Add to Agenda** – M. Nicholson moved to add Enrichment Fund to Other Business, item 6. E. Chase seconded. All in favor.
- 3. Citizen’s Comments and Correspondence** – S. Rogers stated that she was there as a Green Team representative interested in the Community Choice Aggregation/Electric.

II. New Business

- 1. Regional Performance Incentive Program Resolution/Possible Approval** – NECCOG is applying for these grant monies to conduct cost research for an Environmental Depot, it’s community benefits, size and traffic studies. Funds will also consider improving and expanding Animal Services. M. Nicholson moved to endorse both Regional Performance Incentive Programs. E. Chase seconded. All in favor.
- 2. Letter of Support – Wyndam Land Trust** – Wyndam Land Trust has asked for a letter of support regarding their potential acquisition of some land toward the northwest section of town. M. Nicholson moved to provide a letter supporting the purchase. E. Chase seconded. All in favor.
- 3. Resolution of Interest in Community Choice Aggregation/Electric Power** – Approval of this Resolution will provide support and interest in participation of this project. It is not a binding approval. There are four other communities in the State that have expressed interest in this proposal. The proposal would allow the aggregate to take over the purchasing power of electric supplier. M. Nicholson moved to approve the Resolution supporting the Community Choice Aggregation in Pomfret. E. Chase seconded. All in favor.
- 4. FY 2020/2021 Budget Discussion** – M. Nicholson has been completing the details of the proposed budget. Some discussion regarding anticipated increases and decreases over current year. Both libraries and TEEG presented their budget considerations to the Board of Finance at their February meeting. The Selectmen considered meeting with the Abington Library Board. A Budget Survey will be presented for public completion again this year. Some modifications are currently being made to last year’s.

III. Other Business

- 1. General Discussion** – The Bulky Waste dates have been determined for 2020. They are April 24, 25; July 17, 18; October 9, 10. Information is on the web page and reminders will be posted.

2. **Project Updates** – The EOC is completed but the phone lines have been difficult to install and there is no cell reception. These issues need resolution before the building is fully operational.
3. **Sewer Ordinance Discussion/Possible Action-** Revisions are still under way.
4. **Blight Ordinance Discussion/Possible Action** – An Ordinance is currently in effect. Some modifications may be necessary.
5. **Tax Refunds/Abatements:** Advance Title & Escrow for Tony Denario, O/P, \$8.42; Robert Hirt, COC, \$70.15 – M. Nicholson moved to approve as presented. E. Chase seconded. All in favor.
6. **Enrichment Fund** – The Survey Monkey regarding the budget will cost \$99/mo. For two months. She is asking that \$198 be paid from this fund. E. Chase moved to approve as requested. M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor.

IV. Current Business

1. **Citizen's Comments** – Brief discussion regarding signs to notify citizens of budget survey, Murdock solar project, and the Swap Spot for upcoming Bulky Waste.

V. Adjournment – E. Chase moved to adjourn and M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor and meeting duly adjourned at 9:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____