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Pomfret EPDC

9/14/2021

Present: John Folsom, Mary Collins, Charlie Tracy, Maureen Nicholson, Gail Gwiazdowski

Call to order: 8:00 AM

Special Guest: Gail Gwiazdowski Pomfret’s tax assessor made a presentation concerning her department and the upcoming Personal Property Declaration form that businesses are required to fill out on a yearly basis. The discussion was enlightening and informative. As a result of the discussion the Tax Assessor’s Dept. will be putting out a “frequently asked questions” document to help in filling out the Personal Property Declaration along with other questions that arise from her dept.

Old Business: Pomfret Proprietors will be meeting on Friday 9/17/2021 at the Vanilla Bean.

 Sustainable CT The documents have been sent in and the results will be presented in early November.

 Air Line Trail: The Town has purchased a 141+/- acre piece of land near the town hall. A portion of this land is being used by the New England Mountain Biking Association to create an 8-mile coarse within this property. There will be access to the Air Line Trail creating a substantial riding experience. This land will also be used for horseback riding and again with the access to the Air Line Trail, the riding experience has great potential.

 P&Z ADU Update: The Planning and Zoning Commission will host a public hearing on Wednesday 9/15/2021 to discuss the proposed ADU amendment to our Town’s Zoning regulations.

 Unhoused Update: To date less than 50% of the Renter’s relief funds have been applied for in CT. The threshold for continued funding is 65%.

New Business: Letter to BOS and P&Z concerning changing regulations to account for EV capable housing was presented.

 American Recovery Act. The BOS has been meeting with several groups to discuss the best way to use the $1,200,000 that the Federal Govt. has allocated to Pomfret for Covid relief.

 Scarecrow Event: The Pomfret Scarecrow event will be held from 10/10/2021 through 10/31/2021.

 Equestrian Center for Sturbridge: It was noted that Sturbridge Mass is being discussed as a location for an Equestrian Center.

 Five Year Plan: It has been put on the table that we should be discussing a five-year plan. 59 months left.

Adjournment: 9:10 AM