TOWN OF POMFRET
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – MINUTES
DECEMBER 18, 2014 AT 6:30 PM


Article 1: To choose a Moderator for said meeting – M. Nicholson opened meeting at 6:30 PM. P. Mann moved to name Walter Hinchman as moderator. W. Woodbridge seconded. There were no other nominations. M. Nicholson moved to close. W. Woodbridge seconded. All in favor for W. Hinchman to moderate.

Article 2: To see if the Town will accept a donation of land from the Abington Cemetery Association located at 620 Mashamoquet Road, Assessor’s map 28, Block E, Lot 3.00 consisting of approximately 1.70 acres of land. Map of said property is available at the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk – Article 2 removed from Call as the Abington Cemetery Association has made other arrangements for this property.

Article 3: To see if the Town will accept a certain portion of land to be donated by the Pomfret School consisting of approximately .75 acres as divided from Assessors Map 14, Block B, Lot 25.00 where it abuts property of the Pomfret Public Library and Route 44. A map depicting said piece of property is available at the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk – W. Hinchman read Article 3 into record. A map depicting the parcel in question was available to view. W. Woodbridge moved to accept parcel as indicated. A. Hinchman seconded. There was no further discussion. All in favor of Article 3.

Article 4: To see if the Town will approve a Resolution to accept a Main Street Investment Fund Grant in the amount of $166,000 from the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing for the purpose of extending a sidewalk from the Pomfret Public Library in an easterly direction along Route 44 to the Town Green at the intersection of Route 44/169/97 and to accept any monies from the Pomfret School and Rectory School to be used toward the completion of the same. A copy of said Resolution is available at the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk – W. Hinchman read Article 4 into the record. J. Folsom moved to approve Resolution. G. McElroy seconded. W. Woodbridge asked who funds the Main Street Investment Fund. It is State of CT money. There were no further questions. All in favor of Article 4.

Article 5: To see if the Town will approve a Resolution to accept an Electric Vehicle Charging Station Incentive Grant from the State of Connecticut, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, for an amount of up to $10,000 for the purpose of installing a publicly accessible electric vehicle charging station on town-owned property. A copy of said Resolution is available at the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk – W. Hinchman read Article 5 into the record. J. Folsom moved to approve Article 5 and motion was duly seconded. Some discussion followed with questions regarding the total cost to build, who would police the Town Hall, what the insurance implications would be, and comments regarding the location of the charging station. M. Nicholson stated that the grant would cover the cost to build, the location will not create a security risk for the Town Hall, the grant stipulates a municipal location, and the town would own the station and not be liable to outside parties. She also stated that there can be no charge to users for the first 3 years. The charging stations on the market vary from 4 to 6 hours to fully charge at a cost of about $1.70 to about 15 minutes to charge at a cost of about fifty cents. Required signage would be covered by the grant. There was some further discussion regarding the location of this station. W. Hinchman noted that this evening was just to determine if the town should accept the grant money should it be awarded. There was no further discussion and Article 5 passed with a majority of ayes although 4 or 5 nays were heard.

Article 6: To see if the Town will approve a Resolution to endorse and authorize an application to the State of Connecticut, as administered by the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with Sections 87 and 328 of Public Act 13-247, for the Uniform Chart of Accounts Conversion Grant Program and to authorize the First Selectman to execute any and all agreements for the same. A copy of said Resolution is available at the office of the Pomfret Town Clerk – W. Hinchman read Article 6 into the record. T. McNally moved to approve. W. Woodbridge seconded. M. Nicholson stated that this resolution would allow the Town to apply for this grant which would supply funding should the accounting systems be changed to better facilitate the UCOA. There was no discussion. All in favor of Article 6.

Article 7: To do any other business proper to come before said meeting – There was no other business. T. McNally moved to adjourn. P. Mann seconded. All in favor and meeting duly adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Duly Recorded: Bonnie Ryan, clerk
Attest: Cheryl A. Grist, Town Clerk