

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN AGENDA
AUGUST 3, 2009 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET TOWN HALL**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectmen Timothy McNally, David Smutnick. Citizens Peter Mann, Ann Hennen, Pam Lewerenz, John Lewerenz.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Meeting–7:00 PM/Approve Minutes July 6 and July 9, 2009** – Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by J. Rivers. T. McNally moved to approve Minutes as presented. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** – J. Rivers stated he would like to add to New Business, number 3 an item to set Town Meeting date for Approval of various land purchases. So moved by T. McNally. All in favor.
3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** – P. Mann stated that he understood Nick Gardner was under consideration for the Constable appointment and Peter felt he would make a fine Constable. T. McNally seconded that sentiment on behalf of Pomfret Lion’s Club.

II. Current Business

1. **Road Issues** – J. Rivers noted that the heavy rains throughout the season have caused many of the dirt roads to need to be re-done.

III. New Business

1. **Resolution Approval – Recovery Act: CT Local Pass-Through JAG Grant** – This grant of \$9200 is through stimulus money and designated for use by the Constables and/or building security. T. McNally moved to approve the Resolution for CT Local Pass-Through JAG Grant. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.
2. **Agreement – CT Water to Test Murdock** – A draft agreement was available for review. T. McNally moved to approve as presented. D. Smutnick seconded for discussion. Peter Mann stated this would allow CT Water to test for quantity and quality. It is for testing purposes only and ends in January 2010. Some discussion regarding concerns with language. J. Rivers suggested motion be revised to state Approval for First Selectman to enter into an agreement that is found suitable to the Murdock property only. T. McNally was in agreement with revision. D. Smutnick seconded. J. Rivers will look to clarify language and have the Town attorney review. All in favor.
3. **Set Town Meeting Date – Various Land Purchases** – J. Rivers stated that this ties with land conservation and development rights that have been worked on for the past three or four years. A bond resolution was approved a year and a half ago. There are currently 15 parcels, 9 owners, and approximately 800 acres with various agreements on the table. Discussions have taken place with all of these owners. He would propose October 22, 2009 for a Town Meeting. T. McNally moved to approve October 22, 2009 at 7:00 PM at Pomfret

Community School for the purpose of voting on open space and development rights acquisition. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.

IV. Other Business

1. **Constable Appointment** – J. Rivers motioned to appoint Nick Gardner as Constable. T. McNally seconded. All in favor. Nick’s appointment is to fill the term of L. Landry who recently resigned.
2. **General Discussion** – D. Smutnick stated he has received a request that someone look at the silt fences at the Airline Trail and Route 169. Jim stated that they have blown out more than once due to excessive rain. They have recently been corrected again and should be OK. J. Rivers also stated that he wanted to recognize Barbara Gagnon who runs the Recreation Department to off-set costs. This recent fiscal year she expects to turn approximately \$20,000 back to Town coffers.
3. **Pistol Permits Issued: W. Aulerich 7/15; J. Thompson 7/10** – July issues noted.

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: See Attached – J. Rivers read list of six additional overpayments submitted for approval. (Attached as page 2). T. McNally moved to approve tax refunds and abatements as presented in previous list and the verbal additions. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.

VI. Citizen's Comments – Peter Mann asked what COC represents on tax refunds. This represents Certificate of Correction. He also thanked the Board for approving the CT Water agreement. J. Rivers also thanked Peter for all his work in this regard over the past few years. Pam Lewerenz stated that Wade Road has disintegrated. The tractor trailers are traveling too fast over it and the situation has become dangerous. There is also a drainage problem along this road as a culvert has been covered. Ann Hennen noted that in the 1897 Town Annual Report the First Selectman is indicated as doing work on Wade Road for one dollar.

VII. Adjournment – T. McNally moved to adjourn. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____