

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 21, 2009 AT 8:00 AM
POMFRET TOWN HALL**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectman Timothy McNally. Citizens Peter Mann, David Flath, Pam Lewerenz.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Meeting–8:00 AM/Approve Minutes September 8 , 2009** – Meeting opened at 8:00 AM by J. Rivers. T. McNally moved minutes be approved as presented. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** - None
3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** – P. Mann asked if the CT Water document has been reviewed by E. Higgins. It has not yet been returned to the Town Hall.

II. Current Business

1. **Road Issues** - None

III. New Business

1. **Review and Possible Approval of Open Space Acquisition to Town Meeting** – J. Rivers reviewed the following properties where some agreements have been reached. There was some discussion on each.
9, 86, 89, 107 Tyrone Road and 81 Putnam Road. Development rights comprising approximately 156 acres for \$791,000.00. T. McNally moved to approve the purchase of development rights of approximately 156 acres on the enumerated 5 parcels for \$791,000.00. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
#36, #47 Freedley Road, Development rights of approximately 100 acres with the Department of Agriculture for \$490,000.00 less 75% to be paid by the State, leaving \$125,000.00 to be paid by the Town. T. McNally moved to approve that the Town purchase the development rights with the Dept. of Agriculture for the property located at 36 and 47 Freedley Road with \$125,000.00 to be paid by the Town. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
325 Wrights Crossing Road, 40 acre purchase with Wyndham Land Trust for a total cost of \$290,000.00. Wyndham Land Trust anticipates paying \$100,000.00. T. McNally moved to approve the purchase of approximately 40 acres on 325 Wrights Crossing Road for \$290,000.00 in expectation of \$100,000.00 from Wyndham Land Trust. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
492, 512 Taft Pond Road, Development rights of approximately 45 acres for \$225,000.00. T. McNally moved to approve the acquisition of development rights of approximately 45 acres on Taft Pond Road for \$225,000.00. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
312 Pomfret Street, Purchase of approximately 45 acres for \$270,000.00. T. McNally moved to approve the outright purchase of approximately 45 acres at 312 Pomfret Street for \$270,000.00. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.

IV. Other Business

1. **General Discussion** - None

2. **Pistol Permits Issued:** None

3. **Review and Reaffirm Fair Housing Policy, Title VI Policy, Equal Opportunity Policy, Affirmative Action Policy** – Policies reviewed. T. McNally moved to approve as presented. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.

4. **Review and Possible Approval Purchase Order Policy** – T. McNally moved to approve as presented with an effective date of October 1, 2009. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: Lisa A. Warner, COC, \$12.15, Alice E. or Douglas H. Hopkins, COC, \$5.37, Dale L. Currier, COC, \$42.92 – T. McNally moved to approve as enumerated. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.

VI. Citizen's Comments – D. Flath asked about the motion to approve the Tyrone Road property. The Board of Finance motion stated the same amount but included some money from Wyndham Land Trust. J. Rivers stated that the money from WLT is not definite and may not be a part of this purchase. D. Flath also asked about the 555 Mashamoquet Road property stating the Board previously approved this purchase for \$50,000.00 but the Board of Finance minutes reference \$55,000.00. J. Rivers stated those minutes were not yet approved and the amount sounded like a typo. \$50,000.00 is the only amount that has been discussed for that property. Mr. Flath also voiced some concerns regarding the Board of Finance voting on these parcels before approval by the Board of Selectmen and asked about the status of the solar panel project at PCS. The Town is at the top of the list for this project once State money again becomes available. Peter Mann stated that when these land acquisitions go to Town Meeting he would hope they would be considered individually.

VII. Adjournment – T. McNally moved to adjourn. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____