

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2011 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectmen Tony Emilio, Maureen Nicholson. Also present – Sally Johnson, John Carter, 5 representatives from CL&P.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes July 18, 2011** – J. Rivers opened meeting at 7:00 PM. T. Emilio moved to approve minutes. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor. M. Nicholson not yet present.

2. **Items to Add to Agenda** – J. Rivers motioned to add Discussion of Pomfret Times publication tardiness to New Business, item 3. T. Emilio seconded. M. Nicholson not yet present.

3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** - None

II. New Business

1. **CL&P – Interstate Reliability Project** – Bob Carbori with CL&P provided a review of information packages provided. This is a supplemental municipal consultation as the Town was approached a few years ago. The project will interconnect MA, RI, and CT better than in the past, allowing power over greater distances with better price control. Tonight is the initiation of the siting process – which is a two year process. Open Houses and opportunity for public comment will be held by CL&P . Information will be made available.
2. **Review of Bids – Recreation Park Courts** – One bid was received for this project. It was from Willis Construction. Bid was reviewed with some discussion. Any action was tabled until next meeting, allowing the Board to view some of the similar work done by this company.
3. **Pomfret Times – Discussion** – Some complaints have come to the Selectmen’s office and elsewhere regarding the late date of publication that often happens with the Pomfret Times. The editors are aware of this and will have further discussion to correct.

III. Current Business

1. **Road Issues** – None. Comments from last meeting are being addressed.
2. **General Discussion** – Requests have come in that the Sandwich Sign Boards are put up for Bulky Waste Days. M. Nicholson had the plaque received by the Town from Land Conservation Council for ‘Outstanding Land Acquisition Effort’ for display at Town Hall.
4. **Pistol Permits Issued** - None
5. **Discussion – Covell Road Bridge** – A correspondence package was distributed regarding the Liquidated Damages to Barr. A meeting will be held at some point in the future.

6. Discussion – Proposed Post Office Closing – A packet of letters was mailed a week ago. Another batch will go out this week along with a letter from the First Selectman.

IV. Other Business

1. Senior Center – Proposed Regulations Regarding Use – The Board was looking for some clarification regarding an amount referenced under insurance requirements.

J. Rivers noted that the Center Coordinator will be out for an extended leave and a temporary replacement will be brought in – perhaps someone shared with another town. He also distributed correspondence submitted by Ford Fay requesting an Ordinance be written regarding the governance of the Senior Center.

2. Discussion – Application for Zoning Text Amendments – J. Rabbit has not yet supplied comments. Discussion tabled.

3. Review & Possible Approval – Tyrone Road Acquisition Modification – Information regarding some revised conditions required to meet the USDA Grant was distributed to Board for review. Approvals will likely be needed again due to new restrictions that will be put on this property. No action taken at this time.

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: See Attached - None

VI. Citizen's Comments – John Carter asked about Board approval of the Senior Center Use Regulations. This has not happened yet. He asked about coverage while the coordinator is out – he has been there every day. A temporary person will be brought in. In the meantime the Town Hall can be contacted for needed help or support. He also asked about some cut trees blocking Stoddard Road. J. Rivers will look into this. Sally Johnson stated that she would have reservations about coming into the Senior Center if it was just unlocked. She would want to know someone was assigned there.

VII. Adjournment – T. Emilio moved to adjourn. M. Nicholson seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved _____