

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2011 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectman Tony Emilio. Also present: John Carter, representatives for J. Kivela.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Regular Meeting/Approve Minutes June 20, 2011 and June 28, 2011** – J. Rivers opened meeting at 7:06. T. Emilio motioned to approve minutes of June 20th. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor. T. Emilio motioned to approve minutes of June 28th. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** – J. Rivers motioned to add Conservation Commission appointment to New Business, item 4. He would also move the J. Kivela Stone Wall Discussion to the first New Business item. T. Emilio seconded. All in favor.
3. **Citizen Participation & Communications-** J. Carter thanked the Board for attending and judging the Senior Center program today.

II. New Business

1. **Discussion – J. Kivela-Removal of Stone Wall on Cherry Hill Road** – Three lots have been approved at this location. The owner has proposed the removal of some of the stone walls. There is currently no Ordinance regulating this. J. Rivers and G. Postemski have viewed walls and would be inclined not to remove them. The other Selectmen would like to look at these walls as well. Attorney Bruce Fader presented a map that showed the walls to be outside the property line – which puts them on town property. He pointed out parts of the walls that are considered a safety issue in that site line is obstructed and they should be removed. The conditions of subdivision approval seem unclear. Should the owner bear the cost of replacement of disturbed walls when on town property. Discussion. The Board of Selectmen will view walls, notify the Conservation Commission, and have some discussion with J. Rabbitt. This will be discussed further at the meeting of July 18, 2011.
2. **Review & Possible Approval – Authorizing Resolution for Loan Modification Agreement** – T. Emilio moved to approve the Authorizing Resolution for a Loan Modification with Citizens National Bank for extending maturity date. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
3. **Review & Possible Approval – Authorizing Resolution for Credit Accomodations/Loan Documents for Solar Panel Installation at PCS** – T. Emilio moved to approve the Authorizing Resolution for credit accomodations with Putnam Bank for Town approved solar panel installation at PCS. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.

4. **Senior Center – Proposed Regulations Regarding Use** – Tabled to meeting of July 18th.
5. **Conservation Commission Appointment** – J. Rivers stated that Marsha Lewis has expressed an interest in sitting as an alternate on the Conservation Commission. There are openings available. This Commission is a First Selectman appointment but he wanted to discuss with the Board before he moved forward. There were no objections voiced concerning this appointment.

III. Current Business

1. **Road Issues** – None. Covell Bridge will likely be open within the week.
2. **General Discussion** – J. Rivers noted that he has been contacted by another area Town that was also threatened suit by Lightning PC in a manner very similar to what Pomfret is experiencing. The attorneys have also noted that Lightning is currently involved with similar litigation in another Town within the State.
3. **Discussion – Application for Zoning Text Amendments** – Tabled to next meeting
4. **Pistol Permits Issued** – None this period
5. **Discussion – Covell Road Bridge** – Nothing further
6. **Discussion – Proposed Post Office Closing** – A packet of information as discussed at the last meeting has been distributed to the web page, Town Clerk's Office, and Pomfret Senior Center. Included in it is a letter that can be signed and returned to the Selectmen's office for inclusion in package to postal service. The Selectmen's office will also write a letter to State officials.

IV. Other Business

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: None

VI. Citizen's Comments – John Carter asked if the Senior Center Use Regulations will be discussed at the next meeting as he would like to report back to the Board. They will be.

VII. Emilio moved to adjourn. J. Rivers seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved _____