

**TOWN OF POMFRET
MINUTES – BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2007 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET TOWN HALL**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectmen Tim McNally, David Patenaude. Approximately 8 citizens.

I. Regular Meeting

1. Open Meeting –7:00 PM/Approve Minutes-March 19, 2007-Meeting opened at 7:08 PM by J. Rivers. T. McNally moved to approve minutes as presented. J. Rivers seconded. T. McNally, J. Rivers approve. D. Patenaude abstained, not present at meeting.
2. Citizen Participation & Communications-Robert Lussier submitted a letter to First Selectman regarding concern with width of Wetherbee Road. J. Rivers read to record.
3. Items to be Added to the Agenda-J. Rivers stated he would like to add Grange Discussion to Current Business, Item 4. He also had an application for a pistol permit. D. Patenaude seconded. All in favor.

II. Current Business

1. Road Issues-T. McNally noted that with the melting snow the Reminder Newspapers are showing up on the ground again. He has called the paper and asked them not to leave the papers inappropriately. J. Rivers stated that the trees cut down on Fay Road and asked about at the last meeting were not cut by the Town. He had forwarded the information to the Tree Warden.
2. Station Enterprises Lawsuit-Update-No update. Presumably an agreement has been reached but no date to move forward.
3. Lawsuit – Smart Trailer Sign-Update-Nothing new from last meeting.
4. Grange – Discussion-J. Rivers had the completed Purchase and Sale agreement for signatures by the Selectmen. A Town Meeting has been set for May 1st and this will be on the call. J. Rivers has talked to the Conservation Commission about possibly doing their Open Space presentation at the beginning of this meeting.

III. New Business

1. \$1,000,000. Land Acquisition to Town Meeting-A verbal agreement has been reached regarding the McDaniel's property on Rich Road. Ed Higgins is working on the language. The property consists of 124 acres on both sides of the road. J. Rivers presented a build-out model completed by John Filchak concerning this property showing in excess of 25 houses. J. Rivers stated he would like to present this purchase at the May 1st Town Meeting. T. McNally moved that the purchase of the development rights for this property be put on the call for the Town Meeting of May 1, 2007. D. Patenaude seconded. Discussion of Town Meeting vs. Referendum. D. Patenaude stated he feels this item should go to a Referendum. J. Rivers and T. McNally both stated they were

comfortable with this as a Town Meeting item. Vote taken: J. Rivers, T. McNally in favor. D. Patenaude opposed. Item will go to Town Meeting.

IV. Other Business

1. General Discussion – There will be an additional Town Meeting scheduled for the budget. A Conservation Commission presentation would be good for May 1st as they make a case for Open Space.

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: See attached sheet – T. McNally moved to approve as presented. D. Patenaude seconded. All in favor.

VI. Pistol Permits: Morris Smith, 68 Cherry Hill Road – Application was reviewed and discussed. T. McNally moved to table the application pending more information. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.

VII. Approval to Pay Bills: Checks #22946, #23636-#23647 dated 03/20/07-03/27/07 totaling \$11,365.04 and bills scheduled to be paid 04/02/07 and Small Cities Block Grant-Seely-Brown Addition to Ledyard Engineering, \$9,000. – T. McNally moved to approve bills as presented, including the payment listed to Ledyard Engineering for Seely-Brown addition. D. Patenaude seconded. All in favor.

VIII. Citizens Comments – Tom Garrett stated he agreed with D. Patenaude's statement regarding taking the McDaniel's land acquisition to Referendum. There were no other citizens comments.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____