

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2008 AT 8:00 AM
POMFRET TOWN HALL**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectmen Timothy McNally, David Smutnick. Pat Beckenhaupt, Northeast District Dept. Health. Approximately six citizens.

I. Regular Meeting

1. Open Meeting–8:00 AM/Approve Minutes, January 7 and January 17, 2008 – Meeting opened at 8:05 AM by J. Rivers. T. McNally moved that the minutes of January 7, 2008 and January 17, 2008 be approved as presented. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.

2. Items to Add to Agenda - None

3. Citizen Participation & Communications – Charles Boster noted that this mornings agenda stated a Monday meeting instead of Tuesday and item I. 1. read 7:00 PM. John Bala said he had concerns about the 4 million 'line of credit' in the upcoming Town Meeting. He feels this is ridiculous and that taxpayers money should not be easy to gain access to. He will oppose this article at the Town Meeting and anywhere he can before that. David Flath stated that he tended to agree with Mr. Bala's comments and that the Bonding Resolution is a 'feel good' one in terms of land preservation. He was also concerned about communication. The web page heading showed the Town Meeting to be the 28th instead of the scheduled 23rd and the Pomfret Times recently stated legal notices will be in the Norwich Bulletin but this one was in the Putnam Crier. Charles Boster stated that land purchases that may come up under the proposed bonding will have to go the Planning and Zoning Commission as a referral for opinion and that their specific approval is not necessary.

II. Current Business

1. Pat Beckenhaupt – Annual NDDH Presentation – Pat Beckenhaupt with NDDH was present with a presentation concerning their budget and information regarding what the Town would like to see in the next year. She provided a hand-out to Selectmen for review. Income from septic and well approvals has decreased. They have increased their Health Services. She provided a review of revenues vs. expense and a draft of the upcoming budget. She also stated that NDDH would like to provide a representative to Pomfret for some office hours. This has happened in the past but was cut due to expense. She will contact the Selectmen's office in April to see if this can be rescheduled.

2. Road Issues - None

3. Green Team/Recycling – Dave Smutnick reported that the first meeting was held on January 8th and there were 17 members present. The next meeting is to be held on February 7, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Pomfret Community School Library. He will have a better synopsis of the meeting shortly.

III. New Business - None

J. Rivers excused himself at this time in order to meet an appointment. T. McNally chaired remainder of the meeting.

IV. Other Business

1. General Discussion – Dave Smutnick asked if the Town shouldn't contact the Town Attorney concerning the date of the Town Meeting that was posted on the web.

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

VI. Pistol Permits: None

VII. Approval to Pay Bills: Bills scheduled to be paid on 01/22/08. – None scheduled.

VIII. Citizen's Comments – Charles Boster asked where the Green Team meetings will be posted. D. Smutnick stated they will be on the web page but this has not yet been set up.

IX. Executive Session – Real Estate Discussion – Tabled to future meeting.

X. Adjournment – T. McNally moved to adjourn. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved _____