TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING & MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2008 AT 7:50 AM
POMFRET TOWN HALL

In Attendance: Selectmen Timothy McNally, David Smutnick. CT Audubon Sarah Heminway. Citizens Ford Fay, Charles Boster, Maureen Nicholson, Jim Robbins, Cindy Sullivan

I. Public Hearing – 7:50 AM – T. McNally opened the Public Hearing at 7:50 AM.

1. CT Audubon Society, Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit – Motion was made by Sarah Heminway to approve the CT Audubon Society as a tax exempt organization eligible for the Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program. D. Smutnick seconded. Sarah stated that the Dept. of Revenue Services request that municipalities 'vet' these applications before approved. This relates to an energy conservation program providing incentives to corporations to donate to non-profits. There is no cost to the Town. Dave Smutnick asked if the program is geared to businesses only. Sarah will look into this. There was no further discussion. All in favor. Motion passes. Public Hearing closed at 8:00 AM.

II. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Meeting–8:00 AM/Approve Minutes June 2, 2008** - Meeting opened at 8:00 AM by T. McNally. D. Smutnick motioned to approve minutes of June 2, 2008 as presented. T. McNally seconded. All in favor.

2**. Items to Add to Agenda** – Maureen Nicholson requested Tree Warden Report be added. This was added to New Business.

3**. Citizen Participation & Communications** – Maureen Nicholson referenced a past article in Pomfret Times by D. Smutnick that she felt was misleading. There has been no correction. A current article in Pomfret Times references the referendum. She has asked to see the petition. She asked how many people were emailed to canvas interest in a petition. She was asking D. Smutnick as elected official to correct the facts.

II. Current Business

1**. Road Issues** - None

2**. Green Team/Recycling** – D. Smutnick had a summary from the last meeting available. T. McNally asked if the three recent Green Team resignations stated why they were resigning.

III. New Business

1. M. Nicholson has spoken with Louis Tree Rep. about 3 trees down on Fay and Brooklyn Roads. She has also heard from Tenent Tree Service about nine large Maples on Route 169 that have been requested to be removed by the Pomfret School. M. Nicholson has met with Tenent, DOT, and Scenic Roads.

The trees are in decay and have been deemed hazardous. She believes a grant is possible to replace these trees and she would like to pursue.

IV. Other Business

1. General Discussion - None

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: None

VI. Pistol Permits: Sean Brennan, 140 Gary School Road – D. Smutnick moved to table until the next Selectmen's meeting. T. McNally seconded. All in favor.

VII. Approval to Pay Bills: Bills to be paid June16, 2008 **–** T. McNally read additional check numbers for approval: 25479-25503; 25504; 24856; 25054-25060; 23444-23445; totaling $43,984.75. T. McNally moved to approve. S. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.

VIII. Citizen's Comments – Cindy Sullivan stated she heard a report on WINY about many towns changing their Zoning Regulations and that Putnam was revamping theirs. She asked for clarification of the Selectmen's Selection in the Pomfret Times concerning the referendum. She thought the Board of Selectmen had voted the budget to referendum this year. Charles Boster stated that the Green Team should be careful in any consideration of biofuels. They may still contain hazardous materials and there will still be a disposal issue. Maureen Nicholson asked if there were any reports concerning the recent Trash Clean-Up Day. Charles Boster commended the last Bulky Waste Day. All seemed to go well.

IX. Adjournment – D. Smutnick motioned to adjourn. T. McNally seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved_____