

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2008 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET TOWN HALL**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectmen Timothy McNally, David Smutnick. Others present: Sarah Heminway, Cindy Sullivan, Bob Lussier, Maureen Nicholson, Ann Hennen.

I. Regular Meeting

1. **Open Meeting–7:00 PM/Approve Minutes May 19, 2008** – Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by J. Rivers. T. McNally moved to approve minutes of May 19, 2008. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.
2. **Items to Add to Agenda** – J. Rivers stated he would like to add CT Audubon, Neighborhood Assistance to New Business, item 2. So moved by T. McNally. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
3. **Citizen Participation & Communications** – T. McNally noted the passing of Bo Diddle as the loss of an American artist. Cindy Sullivan congratulated the Selectmen on the passing of the budget. Maureen Nicholson asked if there were a list available of voters in the referendum. She would like to compare to the petition list. There were concerns about the low voter turn-out. T. McNally noted that most of the votes came in during the time that a Town Meeting would be held. M. Nicholson referred to D. Smutnick's statement at a previous meeting concerning a \$1,000 cut in Conservation money. She distributed Conservation Plans for Woodstock and Brooklyn and noted their budgets to be less than that of Pomfret. She felt the Conservation Commission could be a driving force in the purchase of open space and land conservation. Some discussion.

II. Current Business

1. **Road Issues** – J. Rivers stated that Wolf Den Road work will begin mid-summer. He asked how the rest of the Board felt concerning Covell Road. Clough Harbor has called him in follow-up to previous discussions. The Town currently has \$125,000 toward this work and will need a total of \$250,000. The additional can be put aside next year. T. McNally moved to proceed with the rebuilding of the Covell Road bridge. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.
2. **Green Team/Recycling** – No updates. Some discussion about use of Brooklyn trash disposal. This will likely not work out for Pomfret. D. Smutnick stated the PCS Building Committee has looked into the solar presentation. Kate Cerrone with the Board of Ed, along with Jim and John will do the initial grant work and the Building Committee will then take over.

III. New Business

1. **Jim Rowley, Inland Wetlands Appointment, June 1, 2008 – June 1, 2012**
– T. McNally moved to re-appoint Jim Rowley to the Inland Wetlands

Commission for a 4 year term running June 1, 2008 thru June 1, 2012. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.

2. **CT Audubon Soceity, Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit** – Sarah Heminway with CT Audubon provided a review of the program. It allows Corporations that contribute to non-profits a tax deduction. Available funding thru the program for energy conservation must go through the municipality and a public hearing must be held. Some discussion. T. McNally moved to schedule a Public Hearing and a vote at 7:50 AM on June 16, 2008 at the Pomfret Town Hall for the CT Audubon Neighborhood Assistant Tax Act. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.

IV. Other Business

1. **General Discussion** - None
2. **BOS Meeting Schedule-June, July, and August** – J. Rivers proposed canceling the second meeting of the month for July and August. The first Monday of the month will still be held and a second meeting will be scheduled if needed. This was agreed by the Board and the meetings of July 21, 2008 and August 18, 2008 will be canceled.

V. Tax Refunds/Abatements: None

VI. Pistol Permits: None

VII. Approval to Pay Bills: Checks #'d 25413-25452; 24194; 25051-25052; 24854-24855 totaling \$25,935.14 and bills to be paid June 2, 2008 – T. McNally moved to approve as presented. D. Smutnick seconded. All in favor.

VIII. Citizen's Comments – Ann Hennen thanked the Town for doing the road front of the Townhouse. All looks good. The bathrooms are in as well. J. Rivers asked about the growth over the septic area. Were these weeds or seeding that had been done. Ann confirmed they were weeds and encouraged any fixing of that area.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, clerk

Date approved _____