

**TOWN OF POMFRET
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2007 AT 7:00 PM
POMFRET TOWN HALL**

In Attendance: First Selectman James Rivers, Selectman David Patenaude.
Approximately 8 citizens. Selectman Tim McNally not present.

I. Regular Meeting

- 1. Open Meeting–7:00 PM/Approve Minutes-October 15, 2007** – Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by J. Rivers. Approval of minutes of October 15, 2007 tabled to next meeting.
- 2. Citizen Participation & Communications** - None
- 3. Items to be Added to the Agenda** – J. Rivers made a motion to add approval of Non-Discrimination Agreement to New Business, Item 3. D. Patenaude seconded. All in favor.

II. Current Business

- 1. Road Issues** - None
- 2. Proposed 'Right to Farm' Ordinance** – Attorney Ed Higgins is reviewing.
- 3. Green Team/Recycling** – J. Rivers stated he has about twelve volunteers and project will soon kick-off.

III. New Business

- 1. Support Letter – Putnam Airline Trail** – The Conservation Committee has been working to extend the trail from Pomfret into Putnam. Putnam has been working to open an impassable area. The Conservation Commission is asking the Board of Selectmen to extend a letter of support for the project. D. Patenaude made a motion that the Board of Selectmen of Pomfret support cleaning and repair of the Airline Trail between Pomfret and Putnam. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
- 2. Covell Road Bridge Estimate** – J. Rivers has received some numbers from Clough Harbor to repair the bridge and associated road work. The estimated total is about \$970,000 D. Patenaude suggested some alternatives be looked at. Discussion. J. Rivers has looked at the bridge with the highway foreman. The abutments are in bad shape and will probably need to be rebuilt. J. Rivers will continue to get more information concerning this project.
- 3. Non-Discrimination Agreement** – D. Patenaude made a motion to approve the Town of Pomfret Resolution of Nondiscrimination. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.

IV. Other Business

- 1. General Discussion** - None

- V. Tax Refunds/Abatements:** Gary V. Masiello, COC, \$69.61 – D. Patenaude moved to approve. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
- VI. Pistol Permits:** Michael Maddocks, 652 Hampton Road – D. Patenaude made a motion to approve the pistol permit for Michael Maddocks. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
- VII. Approval to Pay Bills:** Checks #22699; #22705; #22709; #24187-#24190; #24153-#24155 dated 10/31/07 thru 11/01/07 totaling \$32,913.34 and bills scheduled to be paid 11/05/07. – J. Rivers added checks 24448 – 24504 and 24153 – 24155 for an additional \$28,000 for approval. D. Patenaude made a motion to approve the bills listed in item 7 plus the additional checks added. J. Rivers seconded. All in favor.
- VIII. Citizens Comments** – Chris Surdam asked about properties filed under open space that are only 2 ½ acres and can't be subdivided. Seems like these should now be required to stay in line with zoning. J. Rivers stated the older filings are grandfathered. The new applications will require 4 acres.
- IX. Adjournment** – D. Patenaude made a motion to adjourn. J. Rivers seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ryan, Clerk

Date approved _____