

Town of Pomfret

5218 Pomfret Road
North Pomfret, VT 05053

Draft Minutes of the January 7, 2015 Regular Selectboard Meeting

Present: Mark Warner (Selectboard Member), Michael Reese (Selectboard Member), Phil Dechert (Selectboard Member), Becky Fielder (Town Clerk), Ellen DesMeules (Treasurer), Arthur Lewin, Sr. (Road Foreman), Laura Kent (Auditor & Lister), Sherman Kent, Betsy Siebeck, Melanie Williams, Emily Grube, Kevin Rice, John Peters and Neil Lamson.

1. Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.
2. Review of Agenda: The Board added discussion of a public records exemption before the Treasurer's Report.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Public Records Exemption: The Board discussed the option of withholding communications between the Town and its engineer from public disclosure in response to Neil Lamson's request of public records relating to the Barber Hill Road bridge and 7090 Pomfret Road culvert replacement projects. The Board took no action to withhold any portion of these records.
5. Treasurer's Report:
 - (a) The Board unanimously approved the following warrants for payment: 241, 243, 244 and 246.
6. Unfinished Business:
 - (a) 2016 FY Budget: The Board reviewed and discussed income, non-highway expenditures and the emergency services budget.
 - (b) Selectboard Report: The Board approved the Selectboard Report draft with changes (*to be attached*).
7. Road Foreman's Report:
 - (a) Replacement of Ford 550 one ton truck: Phil moved, and Mark seconded, that the Town purchase a new one ton truck pursuant to the bids from Ted Green Ford, Inc dated 12/2/2014 (truck) and Lucky's Trailer Sales dated 2/2/2015 (body and implements) (*See attached*). Funds are available for this purchase from savings in the purchase of the larger Western Star scraper/plow/dump truck. The Road Foreman expects the new one ton truck to be ready in four months from the time it is ordered. Michael Reese expressed concern that we have not shopped around for the best price pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Policy. Following further discussion, the Board approved the motion (Mark Warner and Phil Dechert voted yes, and Michael Reese voted no).
 - (b) Update on activities:
 - i. The Road Foreman noted both Frieghtliners (~~soon to be replaced by a new Western Star truck~~) are down because of problems in their DEF (Diesel Exhaust Fluid) tank heaters. He is exploring warranty coverage.
8. Town Highway Equipment list for Town Report: Mark Warner moved, and Michael Reese seconded, that the Board approve the Town Highway Equipment listing prepared by the Road Foreman (*see attached*). Following discussion, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

9. New Business: None.

10. Other Business: None.

11. Minutes of prior meetings: The Board deferred review of minutes of prior meetings.

12. Public Comment: None.

13. Adjournment: Following motion and second, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:35pm.

Date: 1/11/2015

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Reese

SELECTBOARD REPORT 2014

In late February long time Selectboard member, Neil Lamson, announced his resignation shortly before Town Meeting. Michael Reese, having served since November, was elected at Town Meeting to a full three year term. After Town Meeting, Phil Dechert was appointed acting Selectboard member to fill Lamson's seat until an election could be properly warned in April when he was elected to a two year term. In addition to new Selectboard members, a new town clerk, Becky Fielder, and a new treasurer, Ellen DesMeules were elected at Town Meeting.

The change from a calendar year to a fiscal year for municipal finances was approved at town meeting and the transition has gone relatively smoothly. Taking advantage of a surplus in 2013, the town was able to fund the 6-month transition period leading up to a July 1, 2014 switch to a full fiscal year without collecting any taxes for the 6-month period. An updated chart of accounts is being instituted to allow for more accurate accounting for all departments. New monthly reporting by the treasurer allows the Selectboard and town departments to closely track expenses as compared to the budget..

The Selectboard approved the replacement of two older trucks with a new truck with plow, wing-plow, scraper, and sander body with delivery scheduled for early in 2015. The two older trucks will be traded-in. Rather than contracting for roadside mowing, the town road crew completed all mowing at the appropriate time of the year to minimize the spread of the three major invasive species. Major highway projects included completing post-Irene rebuilding of Sessions Meadow Road with an addition of 8 inches of hard-pack over existing fabric, replacement of the 8 foot culvert on Barber Hill Road, damaged by Irene, with a new bridge, and replacement of a 42 inch culvert at 7090 Pomfret Road, just above Dana Road that was washed out during a severe storm on July 2, 2013 with a new 8 foot culvert.

The town hall has been brought closer to code with the addition of emergency lighting and illuminated exit signs, and modifications to the exterior doors to swing out instead of in and addition of new 'panic' hardware. .

Another important project has been securing a solution for the long-term operation of the radio repeater for the fire department, FAST Squad, and highway department on the Webster property off of Bartlett Brook Road.

Mark Warner

Michael Reese

Phil Dechert

1-07-15

December 2, 2014

Art Lewin
Town of Pomfret
5218 Pomfret Road
North Pomfret, VT 05053

We are pleased to submit the following bid:

2015 F-550 4X4 Regular Cab

141" Wheelbase

Green Gem

Cloth 40/20/40 Seating

XL Trim

Air Conditioning

AM/FM Radio

6.7L Power Stroke V8 Diesel

6-Speed Automatic Transmission

.225/70R19.5 BSW All Season Tires

4.88 Ratio Limited Slip Axle

Payload Plus Package Upgrade

19500# GVWR Package

Power Equipment Group

Telescoping Mirrors- Power/Heated

Engine Block Heater

Snow Plow Package

Trailer Brake Controller

High Capacity Trailer Towing Package

Jack

Trans Power Take-Off

40 Gallon AFT of Axle Fuel Tank

Extra Heavy Duty Alternator

Total for Truck:

\$52,635.00

Total price including (municipal price concession, title, registration, , and discount)

\$ 33,800.00

Total price does not include extended warranty.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Green
Ted Green Ford Inc.
(802) 234-5301



January 2, 2015

Town of Pomfret
100 Preserve Rd
Fairlee, Vt. 05045

802-457-2767 – Telephone

QUOTATION

Smith Stainless Steel Flatbed Body

- 9' O.D length
- 96" O.D width w/ stake pockets
- 3/16" Stainless steel construction
- 40" tall bulkhead
- 5" channel long sills
- 3/16" formed cross members
- Drop down rear tail skirt
- (4) Flaps w/ anti sail guides on front

Rugby Hoist

- LR416 scissor hoist double acting
- 8 Ton Capacity
- Direct mount Hydraulic Package
- P.T.O installed on transmission (Ford Torque Shift 6 Transmission)
- All Pivot points are Greasable
- Body prop

Hydraulic Package

- PTO and pump
- Combination valve tank package
- Electric valve to operate double acting hoist, spreader and york rake
- Power beyond, mounted valve, filter, strainer, hyd. hose manifold, tank cover
- Controls mounted in cab

Misc.

- (4) Flaps w/ Anti-Sail guides on the front
- All required lights per D.O.T regulations

Price including Installation:

\$ 20,313.00

Rear Hitch Plate

- 2" x 2" Receiver Tube
- 2 D-Rings
- RV7 Wired
- ICC bumper
- Back up Alarm

Installed Add:

\$ 450.00

(2) Amber LED strobes (1) on each side of headboard Add:

\$ 680.00

(4) Standard work lights facing rear (2) on headboard (2) on R.H.P. Add: \$ 400.00

Fisher 9' 6" Xtreme V2 SS, Installed:

\$ 6,255.50

Downeaster SS Hydraulic Driven spreader 3.7 yard Installed:

\$ 6,575.00

NOTE: Quote valid for a limited for a limited period of time, sold orders are price protected.

If these specifications meet your approval, please sign below and provide a PO#

Approved: _____ PO# _____

Thank you for the opportunity to quote this to you. Let me know if I can be of any assistance.
Micah Whitney
Truck Equipment Sales

TOWN HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT *

	2013	2014
2010 John Deere Loader (replaces 2001 loader)	\$80,000	70,000
2002 John Deere Grader, model 672CH	100,000	90,000
2008 Komatsu PC78US-6 Excavator	35,000	30,000
2003 John Deere 5520 Tractor, 4WD with mower & bucket	20,000	20,000
2014 Truck Freightliner 4WD with plow, sander & wing	182,000	175,000
2013 Truck Freightliner 4WD with plow, sander & wing	145,000	140,000
2007 Truck, International, 2WD with plow & wing	20,000	39,000
2005 Truck, International. 4WD with sander & blade	30,000	32,000
2008 Ford F550 4x4 1 Ton Truck with plow	16,000	19,000
2008 Tag Trailer	8,000	7,000
2008 Compactor	350	300
Generator	400	350
Hotbox	8,000	7,000
Bandit Chipper	6,500	6,000
Flail Head Mower	750	700
Austin-Western V Snowplow	250	250
Bale Chopper	4,500	4,000
Frontier Debris Blower	3,150	3,100
Pressure Washer	400	350
2001 Steam Cleaner	1,000	900
2001 Rock Rake	1,500	1,000
Air Compressor	1,000	1,000
Snow Fence and Posts, 5000 feet	1,200	2,000
Chainsaws	750	600
Welder, Lincoln Wire Feed	1,000	900
Small Tools	25,000	25,000
TOTAL	\$691,750	\$675,450

* As per the Pomfret Selectboard