

Town of Pomfret

5218 Pomfret Road
North Pomfret, VT 05053

Minutes of the January 28, 2015 Special Selectboard Meeting

Present: Mark Warner (Selectboard Member), Michael Reese (Selectboard Member), Phil Dechert (Selectboard Member), Emily Grube and Betsy Siebeck.

1. Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to Order at 9:21pm.
2. Public Comment: None
3. 2016 FY Budget: Phil Dechert moved, and Mark Warner seconded, that the Board recommend the *attached* budget to the voters at Town Meeting, and amended by dividing the \$250,000 for paving between \$200,000 for a paving reserve fund and \$50,000 for paving expenses. Michael Reese noted his previous concerns about the budget. Following further discussion, the Board approved the motion (Phil Dechert and Mark Warner voted yes, and Michael Reese voted no).
4. Amount To Be Raised in Taxes: Phil Dechert moved, and Mark Warner seconded, that the Board use the figure of \$878,326.00 as the amount to be raised in taxes, based upon the *attached* calculation dated 1-28-15 entitled "Estimated Taxes to Raised FY 15-16." Michael Reese noted the need for a budget forecast of the remainder of the current fiscal year to determine the appropriate amount of funds to offset the taxes to be raised. Following further discussion, the Board approved the motion (Phil Dechert and Mark Warner voted yes, and Michael Reese abstained).
5. Capital Budget for Highway Equipment: Michael Reese moved, and the Mark Warner seconded, that the Board approved the *attached* capital plan entitled "2015 Capital Improvement Plan for Highway Equipment." Phil Dechert noted this plan changes the previously adopted plan by increasing the yearly addition to the reserve account in 2018-2019 to \$200,000. Following further discussion, the Board unanimously approved the motion.
6. Budget Narrative: Phil Dechert said he would work on a budget narrative.
7. Public Comment: None.
8. Adjournment: Following motion and second, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.

Dated: 2/2/2015

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Reese

Approved at February 18, 2015 Meeting