

April 7, 2021

Town Of Pomfret Select Board Meeting

Draft Minutes

Present: Grube, Emily, Chamberlin, Steve, Harrington, Jon, Peters, John, Gundersen, Chuck

Public: Amber, Bannigan Suzy (O'donnell), Bassett Nancy, Bouteillers Matthew, Brickner, Ben (Zoning, Auditor), Burrington Brad, Cellini Richard, Chamberlin Christina, Claflin Cathy, Crean Bob, Cross Susan, Davis Terry , Deans Dottie, DeFoor Joe, Dunn BJ, Emmons Bill (Planning Commission), Field Jerri, Flynn John, Gimenez Clara, Graham Alan (Historical Society), Hartford Greg, Hatfield Bob, Hewitt, Cynthia Select Board Asst.), India, Jamison Jacqueline, Jane , John, Jones Deanna, Lamson Neil (Lister), Lamson Nelson (Planning Commission) , Lawrence Regina, Lendell Jane, Long Joanna, Martin Richard, Matthews Nancy (Auditor), McRae Craig, Mike, Moore John (Planning Commission), Morley John, Ocmoor John, Orthner David, Osnoe Karen (ZBA Admin) (Del Tax Collector), Parsons Lisa, Patti, Pearce Scott, Peters Cathy, Pickett Pam, Pizzani Elly, Potter Jim (Road Foreman), Rauch Lyn, Reiter Tim, Resena Karen, Rhodes Betsy (Library Trustee), Ricketson John, Sangler Janet, Scheurman Sue, Serena, Shepard Caroline, Siebeck Betsy, Skypack Leah, Sloane Mary, Stevens Matt, Surprenant Heather, Wakefield Marge (Trustee of Public Funds), Whitney, Williams, Sean,

1. Call to Order – Emily called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm
2. Public Comment – none
3. Agenda Review – Postpone item 5m. Emily moved and Steve seconded acceptance of the agenda with one deletion. Unanimous roll-call vote
4. Recurring Items
 - a. Approval of 03/17 and 03/24 Minutes. Chuck moved and John seconded to accept the minutes after revising the Pilot Driveway discussion. Unanimous roll-call vote
 - b. Emily moved and Steve seconded approval of the following warrants for approval

21090	\$ 9,183.23	Payroll
21092	21,898.63	Accounts Payable

Unanimous roll-call vote
 - c. Road Foreman's Report
The excavator was parked on Kenyon Hill overnight when a tree fell and damaged it. There is quite a dent so Jim will initiate an insurance claim. Truck lettering has been completed. The new 6-wheel truck differential is not working. Clarks came to look at it and towed it to their shop and is claiming the problem was caused by abuse. Jim will go to Clarks on Friday to look into the matter. Jim asked for an executive session next week to discuss a personnel matter. Emily mentioned the approval by the Park Service to cut trees on Appalachian Train property – Jim assured her all was good in that regard, i.e., no deadline or pressure
5. Items for Discussion or Vote
 - a. Woodstock Resort Corp/Suicide 6 Act 250 Hearing –Tim Reiter, Manager of S6 reports that ORX has been informed that WRC is no longer willing to host the event.

Emily asked if the Board should participate in Act 250 hearing. We do have party status. All agreed the “last minute” notification did not match what Ford had describe on their web site. Jon Ricketson, Richard Cellini, Regina Lawrence, Lisa Parsons, M&M Scheurman, Tim Reiter, Nancy Matthews, Betsy Rhodes, John Moore and members of the Board discussed the proposal. It was suggested in the future that attending the Act 250 hearing was the proper channel to pursue for information and offering opinions vs. 4-days of list serve exasperation. Heather Surprenant has arranged a Zoom meeting for Thursday evening where residents may continue to discuss the issues.

- b. Paving RFP Emily. Moved and Chuck 2nd submission of the RFP as soon as possible with Jon’s name replacing Emily’s as contact person. Unanimous roll-call vote.
- c. Sand RFP. Chuck moved and Steve 2nd submission after dates are corrected. Unanimous roll-call vote.
- d. Pilot Driveway -- no need to discuss further
- e. One driveway to be used by 3 homes. Eric Chase has subdivided a piece of property on Allen Hill into 3 sites. He would like to change the driveway to a private road. They need to assure E911 address are confirmed. Becky is reaching out to the state with this idea.
- f. Hunnewell Driveway. The board had a favorable site visit. They have a pending application with the State to install a bridge. Chuck Hunnewell will remove the culvert if he must. Karen Osnoe confirmed the ZBA has the permit for the bridge to consider. Emily moved and Chuck 2nd to approve the permit if the culvert is removed. Unanimous roll-call vote
- g. TA 60 Report – This must be submitted to Vtrans District 4 within 60 days of passing the budget. Steve moved and John seconded approval. Unanimous roll-call vote
- h. Capitol Plan Adoption – Steve moved and Chuck seconded that the board adopt the “Pay as you Go” capital plan as presented at the last meeting. Unanimous roll-call vote
- i. Teago Intersection – we must reopen the Pomfret Road now that winter is over. The 3-way stop should be retained, in the Board’s opinion. Two Rivers has sent an illustration of the final appearance. The library will be given back space on both sides of Library street, and their parking lot will have appropriate signage to indicate it is for Library Patrons. Emily would like to view the final project, esp. re: handicap parking and deliveries.
- j. K Dolan dedication of Teago improvements back to the town. Chuck moved and Steve seconded to send the document to Joe McLean and also to get Jim Potter’s input.
- k. LEMP – Kevin Rice presented the completed LEMP paper work. Chuck moved and John 2nd the report be approved to submit. Unanimous roll-call vote.
- l. Dog complaint – still attempting to gain address of the offending dog’s owner
- m. Furnace replacement – postpone to next meeting
- n. Proposed Veterans’ Memorial – Alan Graham presented preliminary design/description for the memorial. Some felt the open design would not hold up

under weather conditions at the top of the hill. Many suggestions were discussed. This topic will be continued at the next meeting

- o. Structures Grant – Jon Harrington completed the grant application and has conferred with Chris Bump at Vtrans. This is for work on Cloudland Road. Emily moved and Steve seconded the application be filed. Unanimous roll-call vote
 - p. Highway Grant – Paving from Hartford town line to Starbuck Road. Emily moved and Steve seconded the application be filed. Unanimous roll-call vote
6. Meeting wrap-up
- a. No correspondence
 - b. Review of Assignments – Furnace – John; Hunnewell – Emily
 - c. Agenda for next meeting: Veterans Memorial, Furnace, Open Meeting Law
 - d. Steve moved and Chuck seconded for Adjournment at 9:53 pm