

Town of Pomfret Selectboard
Special Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2026

Present: Benjamin Brickner, John Peters, Eric Chase, Emily Grube

Public: John Moore, Becky Fielder, Ellen DesMeules

1. **Call to Order** – Ben called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Agenda Review** – None.
3. **Public Comment** – None.
4. **Executive Session**
 - a. Ben moved and Eric seconded that the Selectboard enter executive session pursuant to 1 V.S.A. 313(a)(3) to discuss the employment of public employees and the appointment of public officers. Unanimous. The Selectboard entered executive session at 7:02 pm.
 - b. John moved and Emily seconded that the Selectboard exit executive session. Unanimous. The Selectboard exited executive session at 8:21 pm.
5. **Items for Discussion or Vote**
 - a. **Regional Plan Comment Letter** – Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission are preparing to adopt a revised regional plan. The Commission adopted a new regional plan last year, but at that time they did not update the Land Use and Housing Chapters. The Commission is now doing so. Pomfret submitted a comment letter to the Commission in January 2025, during the earlier adoption process, raising concerns about the land use maps and inadequate landowner consultation. John Moore explained that he has been attending recent informational sessions on the current adoption process, to reiterate these concerns. The Selectboard discussed a draft new comment letter that would need to be submitted by the Commission's August 10 deadline. The draft will be revised for review and possible approval at the August 5 Selectboard meeting.
 - b. **Warrants** – None.
6. **Meeting Wrap Up**
 - a. **Correspondence** – To be discussed at the August 5 Selectboard meeting.
 - b. **Review of Assignments** – John Moore and Bill Emmons to get more pertinent information from the Regional Commission; Ben to revise the comment letter.
 - c. **Agenda for Next Meeting** – Already published.
7. **Adjournment** – John moved and Eric seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.