

# Pomfret Planning Commission Meeting

Pomfret Town Office  
Pomfret, VT  
March 14, 2016

**Attendance:** Bill Emmons, Chair - Phil Dechert- Nelson Lamson- John Moore, Orson St. John

**Absent:**

**Guests:** Gennie Lawrence

## **Call To Order/Agenda Changes/Public Comment:**

Chairman Emmons convened the meeting at 7:10p.m. A quorum was declared. There was no public comment.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

We discussed the Oct 26, 2015 minutes. Selectboard hearing on the draft town plan properly warned and held on 11/16/2015 .

**Interested PC Members:** Gennie Lawrence and Scott Woodward have indicated interest to becoming a member of the Pomfret Planning Commission.

**Solar:** There was discussion about Solar... in particular what should be added to our town plan to stiffen the language to reinforce our ability to have solar properly sited. Documents submitted: The Bennington Town Plan; Bennington town plan amendment; Press release from state of Vt re the PSB defeated vs Town of Bennington; suggested changes from John Moore...

It was concluded that Billy Emmons and Orson St. John would go to the SB meeting this Wed the 16<sup>th</sup> of March and suggest that the PC would like to submit minor changes to the Energy section and the Land Use Section as it pertains in particular to Solar and suggest the SB hold their vote till we get back with changes. It would be our goal to have additional language available to the SB by the first SB meeting in April. The board was divided on whether to limit the solar, just to roof-mounted and private solar within the building envelope, or also allow larger systems with siting restrictions.

John Moore will arrange a work group of two PC members and Scott Woodward to put something together for the PC consideration at their next meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March .

Billy Emmons commented on the TRORC new duties of possible council government.

The planning commission recommends both Gennie Lawrence and Scott Woodward as PC members and suggest appointment of the SB>

There being no public comments and no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Minutes prepared by John Moore March 14, 2016 and amended on March 28, 2016 .