## TOWN OF POMFRET SELECT BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 1, 2021. DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Emily Grube, Steve Chamberlin, John Peters, Jon Harrington, Chuck Gundersen Public: Jim Potter (Road Foreman), Ben Brickner (ZBA, Auditor), Cathy Peters, Cynthia Hewitt (SB Assistant), Becky Fielder (Town Clerk)

- 1. Emily called the meeting to order at 6:03
- 2. No public comment
- 3. Agenda Review: Emily moved and Jon seconded addition of the following items: Bunker Hill Dog issue; Siebeck Dog Issue; Gift Cards. Motion carried
- 4. Recurring Items
  - a. Approval of 11/14/21 Meeting minutes. 3 ayes, 1 nay; motion carried.
  - b. Payments of Warrants. Steve moved and Jon seconded—Unanimous

22049	A/P	\$. 18245
22048	P/R	7,756.90
22047	A/P	1,178.31
22052	A/P	12,062.25

c. Road Foreman's Report: New Trucks are using a lot less sand; Rich Beland will be working on the garage ventilation over the weekend; Tree cutting to be finalized to Lebaron's Corner; Dead tree removal on the North End; Tree outfit will be cutting trees on north end; Teago handicap parking slot is often misused.

## 5. Items for Discussion or Vote

- a. Winter Maintenance Policy postponed to next meeting
- b. Highway Renumbering –Jon moved and Steve seconded renumbering the following roads: Hidden Ridge #27; Clay Road #36. Unanimous Vote
- c. Cloudland Bridge Jim, Jon, and Justin determined the ledge continues 4 ft below the stream bed. This will involve removing 50-60 yards of ledge at the cost of \$8-10,000. Emmons, Jim, and State Forester have all signed the water issue document.
- d. Gully Road Mr. Pops(landowner) will need to provide signage stating the road is private and use appropriate communication to avoid misuse of his property.
- e. Delinquent Taxes postponed
- f. Digitization of Records approved to use NMREC for 40 years of records
- g. Cyber Security postponed
- h. Dog Issue Betsy Siebeck takes her dog off leash while walking; also, she and her partner split to two sides of the road when vehicle approach. She will receive a letter. The Nichols Bunker Hill tenant is identified and has also received a letter with a copy of the dog ordinance
- i. Employee Hand Book is correct and complete. Chuck will send off to Stitchell Page for final approval
- j. Repeater Easement Kevin Rice will be finishing up easement issues
- k. Budget Worksheet General Accounts items were discussed. Further work to be done on NMREC charges, cleaning supply costs, Fire Department Budget; adding 4<sup>th</sup> man to highway crew; trade in 550 next year; loader will last 2 more years; bridge reserve, paving reserve
- 1. Warning Items Selectboard Terms & marijuana discussion Postponed

Australian Ballot – John moved and Steve seconded we have a Special Meeting on 12/03/2021 to schedule a special Town Meeting to discuss Australian ballot. Unanimous.

- 6. Meeting Wrap Up
  - a. Select Board Correspondence
  - b. Review of Assignments: Siebeck Letter (CH); Fire Department Budget(KR), NMERC (EG)
  - c. Agenda Items Next Meeting: Winter maintenance (JP), Final Budget, Cyber Security (ED), Repeater Easement (KR), Cloudland RFP(JH)
- 7. John move and Jon 2<sup>nd</sup> Adjournment at 8:40 pm. Unanimous