

**MINUTES
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER
SPECIAL MEETING
December 17, 2018 – 6:00p.m.**

6:00pm EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel Matter

Councilwoman Pugliese called the Executive Session to order at 6:00pm in the Conference Room of the Municipal Center, One Central Square. Also present were Vice Chairwoman Tompkins, Council Members Wazorko, Morante, Gnazzo and Carrier, Town Manager Lee, Assistant Town Manager Osle and Assistant to the Town Manager Colby. Councilman Cox was not in attendance.

Discussion ensued regarding personnel matters.

At 6:30pm Assistant Town Manager Osle left the meeting and Town Attorney Mastrianni entered.

Discussion ensued regarding litigation matters.

Executive Session adjourned at 7:00pm. No action was taken.

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REGULAR MEETING
December 17, 2018 – 7:00p.m.**

- I. PRESENTATIONS: Fire Prevention Poster Contest Winners**
- II. PUBLIC HEARING**
- III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
November 19, 2018 Regular Meeting and December 3, 2018 Special Meeting
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS**
- V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**
 1. Police Officer Appointment

2. Aviation Commission Appointment
3. Conservation Commission Appointment
4. Committee on Aging Resignation
5. Appointments and Re-appointments to Boards and Commissions

VI. BOARD OF EDUCATION LIAISON (3rd Monday Meetings Only)

VII. REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY

VIII. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

1. Fire Department Apparatus
2. Planning & Economic Development Director Resignation
3. Update on Vandalism
4. Christmas Tree Disposal
5. Financial Dashboard
6. Happenings

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bid #2019-09, Fire Department Apparatus
2. Tax Refunds - Addendum

XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Pugliese called the meeting to order at 7:05pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center, One Central Square. Also present were Vice Chairwoman Tompkins, Council Members Wazorko, Morante, Gnazzo and Carrier, Town Manager Lee, Assistant to the Town Manager Colby and Town Clerk Skultety. Councilman Cox was not in attendance

Councilman Gnazzo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to add agenda item:

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

***5. Constable Appointment**

***6. Inland Wetlands Commission Appointment**

The motion was seconded by Councilman Wazorko and passed 6-0.

I. PRESENTATIONS

Fire Prevention Poster Contest Winners

Fire Marshal Sutherland presented awards to the 13 winners of the 35th Annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the minutes of November 19, 2018 Regular Meeting and December 3, 2018 Special Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

Councilwoman Morante attended the Library Trustee's meeting, the Conservation Commission's meeting and the Committee on Aging's meeting. She went on to report the Library is busy with new programs and is excited for outreach groups to share this information.

Chairwoman Pugliese attended the Tree Lighting Ceremony and thanked the Chamber of Commerce and the Fire Department for their help and support. She also attended the Board of Education meeting where they too recognized the High School Boys Soccer Team for winning the State Championship.

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATION

Police Chief introduced Justin Barrington, spoke on behalf of his character and asked the Town Council for their consideration of his appointment.

1. Police Officer

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to appoint Justin Barrington to the position of Police Officer effective December 31, 2018 and as a condition of continued employment, he must successfully complete all aspects of the Basic Police Officer Training Program at the Connecticut Police Academy and Plainville Police Department Field Training Program. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier and passed 6-0.

2. Aviation Commission

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to appoint David King (L), 88 Trumbull Avenue, as an Alternate Member of the Aviation Commission for the term expiring October 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier and 6-0.

3. Conservation Commission

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to ratify the Town Manager's appointment of Devon Tyrrell (D), 174 West Main Street, to the Conservation Commission for the term expiring January 15, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

4. Committee on Aging

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to accept with regret the resignation of Rita Dewyea from the Committee on Aging. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wazorko and passed 6-0.

5. Constable

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to appoint Ross Zettergren (R), 123 Arcadia Ave, as a Constable for the term ending November 5, 2019. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier and passed 6-0.

6. Inland Wetlands Commission

Councilman Gnazzo motioned to appoint David Garewski (R), 17 Jude Rd, as a Regular Member of the Inland Wetlands Commission for the term ending January 7, 2021. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 6-0.

VI. BOARD OF EDUCATION LIAISON (3rd Monday Meetings Only)

No report

VII. REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY

No report

VIII. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

Town Manager Lee presented and discussed the following topics:

- **Fire Department Apparatus**

On November 29, 2018, two bids were received for a New Fire Pumper Apparatus to replace Engine 2. Money for this replacement was authorized at a referendum held on June 19 of this year.

The low bid was submitted by Greenwood Emergency Vehicles of North Attleboro, MA in the amount of \$640,484. The second bidder, Bulldog Fire Apparatus of Bozrah, CT submitted a price of \$674,670.

The Fire Truck Committee met four times after the bids were received and reviewed both bids and determined that the Greenwood bid did not meet the required specifications. The Committee is requesting that the Town Council authorize them to negotiate with Bulldog Fire Apparatus to bring the proposed amount closer to the \$600K estimate.

Chairman of the Fire Truck Committee, Assistant Chief Tom Moschini briefly reviewed the minutes of the Committee and explained their reasons for the recommendation.

- **Planning & Economic Development Director Resignation**

Town Planner & Economic Development Director Mark DeVoe has accepted a position in Middletown as their City Planner. His last day of work for Plainville will be December 28, 2018.

Mark was hired in 2008 and has faithfully served in his position in an exemplary manner for 10 years. His knowledge and attention to detail will be sorely missed. On behalf of all of the Town staff, Town Manager Lee thanked him for his service to Plainville and wished him well in his future position working for the City of Middletown.

- **Update on Vandalism**

Police Chief Matt Catania give an update on the recent vandalism regarding the debris that has been placed around Town that has resulted in numerous flat tires. He also mentioned the increase in reports of car break-ins not just in Plainville but around the state. He urged residents to be vigilant and keep all doors to cars and homes locked at all times.

- **Christmas Tree Disposal**

Residents may bring their Christmas trees to the Transfer Station on Granger Lane beginning Thursday, December 27, through Friday, January 18, free of charge. Trees should be placed in the designated collection area. Residents using a bag to transport their Christmas tree should remove it from the bag and dispose of the bag in their regular household trash.

If residents are unable to transport their Christmas tree to the Transfer Station, the Roadways Department will be collecting them the week of January 14 – 18. Residents are asked to leave their Christmas trees at the curb by January 13. Trees should be free of ice and snow and should not be left in the road or blocking any sidewalks or walkways.

Information regarding the Christmas tree disposal will also be posted on the Town website. (www.plainvillect.com)

- **Financial Dashboard**

Assistant to the Town Manager Colby reviewed the Financial Dashboard through November 30, with the Town Council. The report can also be viewed on the Town's website.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Katherine LaBella, 50 Pierce St comments included her opposition to Alignment C or any trail that will negatively impact residential neighborhoods

Roberta Lauria, 18 Perron Rd comments included her opposition to any trail or Alignment C that will negatively impact residential neighborhoods

Dave Albert, 56 Hollyberry Ln comments included greater transparency for the Town Manager's contract

Joel Edman, 63 Hollyberry Ln. spoke in opposition to any trail that does not adhere to the original design of rails to trails

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St. spoke in opposition to Alignment C and any trail alignments that impact neighborhoods and parks

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St. questioned the time frame for the final plan and construction of the trail, and why more residents were not speaking out against the trail

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bid #2019-09, Fire Department Apparatus

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to authorize the Fire Truck Committee to negotiate with Bulldog Fire Apparatus for the replacement of Engine 2 and recognize that they were the lowest responsible bidder that met specifications. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

2. Tax Refunds – See Addendum

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the tax refunds as listed on the Addendum. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

XI. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Litigation Matter

Discussion was conducted during the Executive Session

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Pugliese wished everyone Happy and safe Holidays.

At 8:15pm Councilwoman Tompkins motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier and unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted by,

Carol A. Skultety, Town Clerk
& Clerk of the Town Council

Refunds

12/17/2018

Sewer User

Amount

1	Dennis, Nicholas & Ellen, 45 Winter St	\$57.80
2	Fisher, Doris, 51 Stillwell Dr	\$50.00

Total

\$107.80

Current Year

Amount

1	Ragaglia, Dominic or Marie, 16 Eastwood Dr	\$24.70
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Total

\$24.70

Prior Years

Amount

1	JP Morgan Chase Bank Na, Fort Worth, TX	\$5.85
2	JP Morgan Chase Bank Na, Fort Worth, TX	\$43.83
3	JP Morgan Chase Bank Na, Fort Worth, TX	\$182.19
4	Nissan Infiniti LT, Dallas, TX	\$117.84
5	Nissan Infiniti LT, Dallas, TX	\$411.39

Total

\$761.10