# MINUTES PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER REGULAR MEETING MARCH 9, 2017 – 7:00p.m.

I. PRESENTATIONS: Gold Star Memorial

#### II. PUBLIC HEARING

Town Manager's Proposed FY2018 Budget

#### III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of February 22, 2017 Regular Meeting and March 2, 2017 Special Meeting

#### IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS - REPORTS

#### V. <u>APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS</u>

- 1. Conservation Commission Appointment
- 2. 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. School Renovations Discussion
- 2. Resolution Small Cities application
- 3. Happenings

#### IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

#### X. OLD BUSINESS

# XI. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- 1. Consider Location for Gold Star Memorial Monument in Veterans Park
- 2. Resolution Historic Preservation Grant

- 3. Resolution Small Cities Application
- 4. Tax Refunds-Addendum

#### XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

- XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (con't.)
- XIV. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION
- XV. ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Pugliese called the meeting to order at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center, One Central Square. Also present were Vice Chairman Saunders, Council members Wazorko, Morante, Ciotto, Tompkins and Carrier, Town Manager Lee, Intern Colby and Town Clerk Skultety.

Councilwoman Tompkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### I. <u>PRESENTATIONS</u> Gold Star Memorial

Robert Doolittle and Daniel Burgess gave a progress report on the memorial project. He thanked everyone for their help getting the project started and for the generous donations. The dedication is scheduled for Memorial Day at Veterans Park.

#### II. PUBLIC HEARING

Town Manager Lee's Proposed FY2018 Budget

Town Clerk Skultety read the following legal notice:

# LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 9, 2017

IN ACCORDANCE WITH the provisions of Chapter VII, Section 5 of the Charter of the Town of Plainville, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Plainville Town Council at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday March 9, 2017 in the Council Chambers, Municipal Center, to hear public comments on the budget for the Town of Plainville for FY2018 as proposed by the Town Manager.

Dated at Plainville, Connecticut this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2017.

Town Manager Lee and Dr. Brummett proceeded to present the proposed budget.

# **Financial summary:**

# FY 2018 Proposed Expenditure Budget:

•	FY 2018 Proposed	\$58,500,194
•	Dollar Difference	\$857,731
•	Percentage Difference	1.49%
•	Proposed Budget w/State Teachers' Retirement increase	\$60,427,622
•	Represents an increase of Or 4.83%	\$2,785,159

# **Total FY 2018 Proposed Budget Categories & Percentages:**

•	Board of Education	\$ 678,7	32	1.95%
•	Town Government	\$ 178,9	99	1.05%
•	Debt Service	\$	0	0.00 %
•	Capital	\$	0	0.00%
•	Sub Total	\$857,	73	1.49%
•	State Teacher's Retirement	\$1,927	,428	100.00%
<b>Total Proposed Budget</b> \$2,785,159 4.83%		4.83%		

#### **Mill Rate Calculation**

Expenditure increase Direct revenue decrease	\$ 2	2,785,159 (74,594)
Difference	\$	2,859,753
Value of one mill @ 97.4%	\$	1,381,073

2,859,753 1,381,073 = 2.13 mills

#### **Mill Rate Change**

Current Mill Rate – FY 2017	31.99
Proposed Mill Rate – FY 2018 w/Teachers'	<i>34.12</i>
Mill Rate Change as Currently Proposed	2.13
% Mill Rate Increase as Currently Proposed	6.65%

Current Mill Rate-FY2017 31.99 Proposed Mill Rate – FY 2018 w/o Teachers' 32.68

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Chairwoman Pugliese opened the hearing for public comments.

<u>George Fensick 2 Pinecrest Dr.</u> questioned any impact the referendum would have on the proposed budget and setting the Town's mill rate if the governor's budget is not set.

<u>Karen Maciorowski, 2 Sunrise Terrace</u> went on to comment on the budget and asked the Council to consider a contingency plan for increases going forward.

<u>Lou Frangos</u>, <u>10 Fairbanks St</u> believes the proposed is well thought out and expressed his disappointment in the Governor's proposed tax burden to municipalities.

Steven DeBiase, 7 Bel Aire Dr feels the budget is fair and transparent and supports the budget as presented.

Amy Hillebrecht, Southington spoke in support of the Library budget as proposed.

<u>Enoch Pinalter</u>, #25, 16 Whiting St spoke in support of the Library budget and praised the staff for their help and assistance.

<u>Kathleen Pinalter #25, 16 Whiting St</u> spoke in support of the Library budget and expressed appreciation for the staff.

Catherine Humai, 31 ½ Roosevelt St supported the Library budget and the programs offered.

Peter Chrzanowski, 30 Shuttle Meadow Rd. spoke in support of the proposed budget.

#### III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councilwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the Minutes of February 22, 2017 Regular Meeting and March 2, 2017 Special Meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0

#### IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

Councilwoman Morante attended the Committee on Aging meeting and mentioned she was on the Welcoming Committee for the recent Special Olympics event.

# V. <u>APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATION</u>

#### 1. Conservation Commission

Councilwoman Morante motioned to ratify Town Manager Lee's appointment of:

- A. Jeffrey Sepko (D), 18 Ashford Rd., to the Conservation Commission for the term ending 1/15/20;
- B. Lisa Lozier, (U), 17 Grant Ave., reappointment to the Conservation Commission for the term 1/15/17 1/15/21;
- C. Randall Paz (R), 36 Washburn Dr., reappointment to the Conservation Commission for the term 1/15/17 1/15/21

The motion was seconded by Councilman Ciotto and passed 7-0.

#### VI. BOARD OF EDUCATION LIAISON (3<sup>rd</sup> 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:

#### • School Renovations Discussion

A week ago, the Capital Projects Building Committee, the Board of Education and the Town Council met to hear a presentation regarding the School Renovation Project. The School Renovation Project includes the replacement of a roof on the Middle School, pavement replacement at the High School and "renovating like new" Wheeler Elementary School. The total project cost is estimated at \$27,367,893 for all three projects.

The estimated local share after state reimbursement is estimated at \$13,953,620. This is an overall reimbursement rate for the three projects of 49%.

The Wheeler School Renovation is estimated to cost \$23,513,789 with an expected net reimbursement rate of 51%. The Middle School roof is estimated to cost \$2,112,334 with a net reimbursement rate of 62%. The High School Pavement Project is expected to cost \$1,741,769 and the project is not eligible for state grant reimbursement because it is considered a "maintenance" project.

The net cost of the project (13.9M) can be absorbed within the Town Budget without increasing existing debt service line item. This can be accomplished because the debt service line item is decreasing over time due the retirement of older projects that have been fully paid for.

There is no doubt that the projects as proposed need to be done. The Town Council has been aware of the need for quite some time and have planned to incorporate the new debt without having to increase the amount of money that is currently being devoted to long term debt.

The next step in the process is for the Board of Education to approve the project and bring it forth to the Town Council. A referendum for the project is tentatively planned for Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### • Resolution - Small Cities Application

A public hearing on the proposed Small Cities Grant to make improvements to the Housing Authority's much needed bathroom updates in 80 of units at Center View Manor and Woodmoor Village was held on March 1<sup>st</sup> in the Municipal Center. Housing Authority members attended the public hearing to express their support for the project.

The project would replace the existing bathtubs in these units with "walk-in" showers.

#### Happenings

Assistant to the Town Manager Colby reported on Town activities and events within the Senior Center, bulk pickup, and hazardous waste collections. More information may be obtained at <a href="https://www.plainvillect.com">www.plainvillect.com</a>

#### IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gayle Black, 4 Cianci Ave commented on the water concerns and Paderewski Park

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St commented on the bricks at the Historic Center

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Ave commented on the proposed Wheeler School project

#### X. OLD BUSINESS

None

#### XI. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Consider Location for Gold Star Memorial Monument in Veterans Park

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to approve the location of the Gold Star Memorial Monument in Veterans Park as recommended by the Gold Star Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ciotto and passed 7-0.

# 2. Resolution – Historic Preservation Grant – See Addendum

Councilwoman Tompkins motioned to adopt a resolution entitled "Resolution Authorizing Application for Historic Preservation Grant". The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0.

#### 3. Resolution – Small Cities Application – See Addendum

Councilwoman Tompkins motioned to adopt a resolution entitled "Resolution Regarding Connecticut Small Cities Community Development Grant Program". The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0.

#### 4. Tax Refunds – See Addendum

Councilwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the tax refunds as listed on the addendum. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0.

- XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST
- XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Ciotto motioned to adjourn at 8:30pm. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tompkins and unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted by,

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

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# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT

**RESOLVED,** that Robert E. Lee, Town Manager, or the Town Clerk as his designee, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Town of Plainville, a contract with the Connecticut State Library for a Historic Documents Preservation Grant.

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RESOLUTION REGARDING CONNECTICUT SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

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WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the Connecticut Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing pursuant to Public Law 93 – 3 83, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and,

WHERAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Plainville make application to the State for \$800,000 in order to undertake a Small Cities Community Development Program and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore, should one be offered.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL:

- 1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State Assistance imposed by Part VI of Chapter 130 of The Connecticut General Statutes; and,
- 2. That the filing of an application by the Town of Plainville in an amount not to exceed \$800,000 is hereby approved, and that the Town Manager is hereby authorized and directed to file such Application with the Commissioner of the Department of Housing, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required by the Commissioner, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto, to carry out approved activities and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Plainville.

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Refunds	3/9/2017

	Current Year	Amount
1	Hyundai Lease Titling Trust, Irvine, CA	\$254.35
2	Kapura Building Contractors, 339 Cooke St	\$54.16
3	Kapura Building Contractors, 339 Cooke St	\$154.26
4	Mackay, William, 32 Northampton Ln	\$96.00
5	Morse, Andrew, Avon, CT	\$482.00
6	Pikora-Mills, Lois, PO Box 763	\$27.58
7	SEP Enterprises LLC, NY, NY	\$3,132.78
8	VW Credit Leasing LTD, Libertyville, IL	\$397.47
	Total	\$4,598.60
	Prior Year	
1	Hyundai Lease Titling Trust, Irvine, CA	\$172.68
2	Hyundai Lease Titling Trust, Irvine, CA	\$278.74
3	Hyundai Lease Titling Trust, Irvine, CA	\$226.75
4	Shannon, Maisie, 11 Overlook Dr	\$37.85
5	Shannon, Maisie, 11 Overlook Dr 3/9/17	\$254.17
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Total \$970.19