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The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center, One Central Square.

Councilman Carrier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- I. PRESENTATIONS:**
- Middle School Robotics Teams
VEX IQ and Technology Students Association (TSA)**

Chairwoman Pugliese congratulated the Middle School students for their efforts and awards and presented them with a proclamation acknowledging their accomplishments. The teachers and students commented on their competition and projects and gave brief demonstrations.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councilman Ciotto motioned to approve the minutes of May 1, 2017 Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

Councilwoman Morante attended the Conservation Commission meeting and reported on their numerous activities including the PEEP seed project, the river clean up and the fishing derby.

Chairwoman Pugliese recently went to the State Capitol with Senator Martin and listened to the budget proposals and discussions regarding the dire financial situation of the State and contributing factors.

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATION

No appointments were made

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Chairwoman Saunders updated the Town Council with the busy spring activities within the schools.

VII. REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY

VIII. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

Town Manager Lee presented and discussed the following topics:

- **General Obligation Bond Sale**

The Town recently sold \$3M in Bond Anticipation Notes as part of the Roadway Bond program. Bond Anticipation Notes or BANS are used as a temporary financing vehicle for large projects until the projects are either completed or have reached a certain monetary threshold.

Five bids were received and the low bid was submitted by TD Bank in the amount of 1.22%. The note will be for the period of May 17, 2017 to February 15, 2018.

- **Public Information Session Regarding Valley Water**

A Public Information session to discuss the results of the water tests will be held on Thursday, June 8th at 7:00 pm in the Middle School Auditorium. Representatives from the Public Utilities Regulatory Agency (PURA), the Department of Public Health (DPH), the Plainville Southington Health Director, and Valley Water Company will attend and be available to answer questions regarding the quality of the water and the operation of the water system in Plainville.

Residents are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to make comments and ask questions from the state officials that oversee the operation and water quality that is supplied by the Valley Water Company.

- **Mill Rate Recommendation**

The State Budget is still being negotiated in Hartford and there is much uncertainty how much Plainville will receive for education and other municipal grants. Additionally, while there does not seem to be much support for the Governor's proposal to have municipalities pay a portion of the Teacher's Retirement Fund, the legislature has not yet fully eliminated this possibility.

Finally, the current legislation mandates that on July 1st the mill rate cap for motor vehicles be reduced from 37 mills to 32 mills. Several key legislative leaders have said that they do believe that this will change and that the motor vehicle mill rate will not be lowered. Because Plainville's mill rate will be above 32 mills, this decision will need to be known to the Town Council before setting the mill rate.

For all of these reasons, Town Manager Lee is recommending that the Town Council wait until either the State finalizes their budget or the end of the Legislative session, whichever comes first, before setting the mill rate.

The Legislative session ends on Wednesday, June 7th.

- **Financial Dashboard**

The Financial Dashboard was briefly reviewed and has been posted on the Town webpage.

- **Happenings**

Assistant to the Town Manager Colby reported on Town activities and events within the Plainville Coalition, Senior Center and Library. More information may be obtained at www.plainvillect.com

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Ave spoke against the Wheeler School renovate like new project, would like to see the mill rate set timely according to the Charter and if necessary and use fund balance to offset revenues cut from the State.

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St would like to see the Town Council revisit the proposals giving more details and then have Wheeler School renovations and High School parking lot projects in separate referenda.

Andrea Saunders, 55 Fawn Dr. commented on the lawn signs supporting the Wheeler School project by parents of the school's students.

David Spencer, 127 Milford St Ext. understands the Town needs to be careful with its finances with all of the State's unknown activities.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. *Consider ratifying AFSCME Council #4 Local 1303-472 Contract for Town Hall Employees

Action was taken later in the meeting.

2. 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.

XI. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

Town Manager Lee commented the Capital Projects Building Committee has been looking at the combined Wheeler School and High School parking lot projects carefully over the past two years. The recommendation was brought forth to the Board of Education and the Town Council and now on to referendum.

He continued touching on the provisions of the Charter. Taking into consideration the extreme circumstances towns are looking at and the unknown impact the State may have with its decisions, Town Manager Lee and the Town Council agree it is in the best interest of the citizens to wait until the State has made its decision before setting a realistic mill rate.

XII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:20pm Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to reconvene Executive Session to further discuss contract negotiations. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tompkins and passed 7-0.

Discussion continued. At 8:45pm Councilman Ciotto motioned to end Executive Session. The motion was

***Councilman Ciotto motioned to ratify the AFSCME Council 4, Local 1303-472, Town Hall Collective Bargaining Agreement for the term July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 7-0.**

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:45pm Councilwoman Tompkins motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted by,

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

Refunds

5/15/2017

	Current Year	Amount
1 Myslak, Brian, 20 Spring St		\$392.78
Total		\$392.78
	Prior Year	
1 Myslak, Brian, 20 Spring St		\$481.09
Total		\$481.09
	Sewer User Fee	
1 Chen, Fei & Li Hui, Farmington, CT		\$1,677.67
2 Matteo, Christie, 161 So Washington St		\$395.12
		\$2,553.88