

**MINUTES
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
April 19, 2021 - 7:00pm**

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April 5, 2021 Special and Regular Meeting

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1. StreetScan – Sidewalk Software Program
2. Senior Center Stove and Dishwasher Replacement
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1. Tax Refunds – Addendum

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The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Chairwoman Pugliese, Vice Chairwoman Tompkins, Town Council members Wazorko, Morante, Gnazzo, Rocco, Underwood, Town Manager Lee, Assistant Town Manager Daskal, Town Attorney Mastroianni, and Town Clerk Porrini.

Councilman Gnazzo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PRESENTATIONS

II. PUBLIC HEARING

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the minutes of April 5, 2021 Special and Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Underwood and passed 7-0.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

Councilwoman Morante commented on the Board of Library Trustees updates and the Conservation Commission.

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATION

1. Councilman Rocco motioned to accept with regret the resignation of Thomas Warnat from the Advisory Recreation and Park Board. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 7-0.

Chairwoman Pugliese presented Thomas Warnat with a proclamation and thanked him for many years of service with the Town of Plainville.

2. Councilman Underwood motioned to appoint Francis Cawley as a Regular Member of the Aviation Commission for the term ending 10/31/21. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 7-0.

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

No report was given.

VII. REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY

No report was given.

VIII. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

- **StreetScan – Sidewalk Software Program**

Town staff gave a demonstration of the StreetScan Program for the sidewalk analysis and discuss priorities for repair.

- **Senior Center Stove and Dishwasher Replacement**

At the April 5th, 2021 meeting of the Town Council it was discussed to replace the commercial stove and dishwasher at the Senior Center. The stove had recently had issues with gas leaks with parts being unavailable due to its age. Senior Center staff is recommending the purchase of the stove and dishwasher from Kitteridge Food Service Equipment & Supplies of Agawam, MA. The quote for the stove is \$6,045 and the dishwasher is \$4,050 for a total of \$10,095. The Senior Center will also be replacing a sink, countertop, and cabinetry adjacent to the stove as well with monies coming from previous fundraising efforts. If there are no objections Town staff will move forward with the purchase of the stove and dishwasher with monies from the Contingency line item in the General Fund Budget.

- **All Day Budget Vote – April 27**

The All-Day vote on the Town Council's recommended Budget for FY22 will be held on Tuesday, April 27th, 2021 between the hours of 6:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Fire House located at 77 West Main Street. Residents will have the opportunity to vote separately on both the General Government and Board of Education Budgets.

The General Government Budget, which includes Town operations, Debt Service and Capital Projects contribution, has an increase of \$275,056 or 1.2%.

The Board of Education Budget has an increase of \$682,705 or 1.74%.

The total budget increase is proposed at \$957,761 or 1.53%.

Town residents are encouraged to participate in the All-Day vote on Tuesday, April 27th, 2021.

- **Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Public Information Date – June 10**

Due to conflicts, the Virtual Public Information Meeting for Phase 1 of the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail has been moved to Thursday, June 10, 2021 beginning at 7:00 pm. This Public Information session will be conducted by the State Department of Transportation for Phase 1 of the trail from Norton Park to Town Line Road. D.O.T. staff will give a presentation of the proposed design of Phase 1 and then participants will be able to ask questions and provide comments.

More information on how people can participate in this meeting will be publicized as the June 10th date draws near.

- **S & P Financial Rating**

Earlier this year the Town Council authorized a pre-payment of \$9,685,000 in outstanding Clean Water Fund loans from the State of Connecticut to take advantage of the record low non-taxable bond rates. If successful, the Town could save close to \$500K over the remaining term of the bond. Last week, Town staff had a conference call with Standard & Poor. Standard & Poor is a rating agency that determines the financial ability of the Town to pay back these General Obligation Bonds. Those bidding on the bonds use this rating to determine the interest rate that they would bid for the bond sale. Plainville had a previous Standard & Poor bond rating of AA+ which is one notch under AAA which is the highest bond rating a Town can achieve. Standard & Poor is expected to release their recommended bond rating for Plainville later this week. It is planned that the bond sale will be completed by May 18, 2021.

- **COVID-19 Update**

The Senior Center will be holding a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic for individuals 18 and older on Wednesday, April 28th, 2021. The clinic is co-sponsored by the Community Health Center. There are still some appointments available for this clinic. To schedule an appointment, please contact the Senior Center at 860-747-5728.

- **Financial Dashboard**

The Financial dashboard for the first three quarters of the fiscal year was included in the meeting information package and was posted last Friday of the Town website.

- **Happenings**

Assistant Town Manager Daskal reported on activities in the Tax Office and Senior Center details can be found on the Town's website: www.plainvillect.com

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St spoke in opposition to Alignment C of phase 1 of the trail.

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St, spoke regarding new warehouse construction on Northwest Drive and traffic concerns.

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the tax refunds as listed on the Addendum. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 7-0.

XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

Town Manager Lee suggested a timeline for selection of new Chief of Police.

XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:01 pm Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Underwood and passed 7-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

Andy Perrini

**Cindy A. Porrini, Town Clerk
& Clerk of the Town Council**

Refunds 4/19/2021

	Current Year	Amount
1	Gregg, Ronald & Barbara, 58 Higgins Ave, Plainville	\$36.94
2	TAG Manufacturing LLC, 161 Woodford Ave #49, Plainville	\$1,697.10
	Total	\$1,734.04

	Prior Years	Amount
1	TAG Manufacturing LLC, 161 Woodford Ave #49, Plainville	\$2,251.55
	Total	\$2,251.55