

**MINUTES
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER
SPECIAL MEETING
June 21, 2021 – 6:15p.m.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Contract Negotiations

Chairwoman Pugliese called the Executive Session to order at 6:15pm. Also, in attendance were, Vice Chairwoman Tompkins, Town Council members Wazorko, Morante, Gnazzo, Rocco, Underwood, Town Manager Lee, and Assistant Town Manager Daskal, and Town Attorney Chomick.

Also in attendance Nick LaChance, President-New England Service Company and Adam Simonsen, Director Business Development

Discussion ensued regarding the contract negotiations. No action was taken.

At 7:00pm, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Executive Session.

**MINUTES
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
June 21, 2021 – 7:00p.m.**

I. PRESENTATIONS:

Memorial Day Essay Winners

II. PUBLIC HEARING

- Proposed Ordinance entitled “Ordinance Establishing Fourth Quarter Transfer for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021”
- Additional Appropriation of \$135,000 from Unassigned Fund Balance

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

June 7, 2021

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. Advisory Recreation & Park Board
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. Engineering Excellence Award – Water Pollution Control Phosphorus Removal Upgrade

- Project
- 2. Tax Auction Discussion
- 3. GoNetspeed – High Speed Fiber Internet Provider
- 4. Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Public Information Session (Virtual Meeting) – June 22nd
- 5. Library Board of Trustees Recommendation Regarding Re-naming of the Youth Services Room
- 6. COVID-19 Update
- 7. Financial Dashboard
- 8. Happenings

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Ordinance entitled “Ordinance Establishing Fourth Quarter Transfer for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021”
- 2. Additional Appropriation
- 3. Tax Auction
- 4. Consider Re-naming of Library Youth Services Room
- 5. Tax Refunds - Addendum

XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. Personnel Matter – Police Chief Search
- 2. Land Acquisition Matter

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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 Chomick, and Town Clerk Porrini.

Councilman Rocco the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PRESENTATIONS

Memorial Day Essay Winners

Elisa Lopez, Madeline Davenport, and Sadie Brann were in attendance and read their winning essays describing what Memorial Day means to them.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

Town Clerk Porrini read the following legal notice:

**LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF PLAINVILLE
TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
JUNE 21, 2021**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plainville Town Council will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday June 21, 2021, in the Municipal Center to consider:

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1. Proposed Ordinance entitled "Ordinance Establishing Fourth Quarter Transfers for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021."
2. An additional appropriation of \$135,000 from Unassigned Fund Balance

Copies of said proposed ordinance and appropriation are available for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Plainville, Connecticut this 17th day of June 2021.

1. Proposed Ordinance entitled "Ordinance Establishing Fourth Quarter Transfer for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021."
2. An additional appropriation of \$135,000 from Unassigned Fund Balance

Chairwoman Pugliese opened the public hearing for comments.

Hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed.

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

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

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

Councilwoman Morante attended the Conservation Commission, Library Board of Trustees, and Commission on Aging meetings.

Chairwoman Pugliese attended the 2021 Graduation ceremony for Plainville High School.

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATION

1. Advisory Recreation & Park Board

- a. **Councilman Rocco motioned to ratify Town Manager Lee's acceptance of the resignation of John Christopher DiTolla from the Advisory Recreation and Park Board.**
- b. **Councilman Rocco motioned to ratify Town Manager Lee's appointment of Mary Tully, 214 Broad Street – to the Advisory Recreation and Park Board for a term ending May 1, 2025. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 7-0.**
- c. **Councilman Rocco motioned to ratify Town Manager Lee's reappointment of Donna Martin to the Advisory Recreation and Park Board for a term ending May 1, 2025. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 7-0.**
- d. **Councilman Rocco motioned to ratify Town Manager Lee's reappointment of Brent Davenport to the Advisory Recreation and Park Board for a term ending May 1, 2025. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 7-0.**

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

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No report was given.

VII. REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY

Town Attorney Chomick reported with respect to the Tax Auction sale list, Item 12 the property known as 105 New Britain Avenue be removed. Attorney Chomick was able to confirm with Attorney William Galske, that the property is under contract to be sold by early July 2021. The taxes would be paid out of the transaction of that sale.

VIII. TOWN MANAGER

Town Manager Lee presented and discussed the following topics:

- **Engineering Excellence Award – Water Pollution Control Phosphorus Removal Upgrade Project**

A week ago, Monday the American Council of Consulting Engineers (ACEC/CT) presented an “Engineering Excellence Award” to Tighe & Bond for their design of the phosphorus removal system at the Plainville Water Pollution Control Facility. In presenting the award, ACEC/CT pointed out that Tighe & Bond designed an effective approach to phosphorus removal, that they exceeded Plainville’s needs by assisting in securing grants for the construction and completed the project on-time and under budget. The design also meets all state and federal environmental regulation and ensures the protection of the Pequabuck River and Long Island Sound. Town staff congratulates Tighe & Bond for achieving the ACEC/CT Engineering Excellence Award and for assisting the Town of Plainville in the successful completion of the Phosphorus Removal Project.

- **Tax Auction Discussion**

Town staff and Town Attorney are recommending 31 delinquent real estate accounts be submitted for tax auction. A copy of the proposed list was included in the meeting information package. A Tax Sale Policy was adopted by the Town Council on September 16, 2013. The policy states that no account will proceed to a tax auction without approval by the Town Council. There is an item under New Business regarding this recommendation.

- **GoNetspeed – High Speed Fiber Internet Provider**

Town staff recently met with representatives from GoNetspeed. GoNetspeed is a high-speed fiber-to-the-home internet provider. They reviewed their plans to expand their network into Plainville beginning in early August. GoNetspeed plans to offer Plainville residents and business a starting bandwidth of 150 Mbps for a flat rate of \$50 per month which will allow for streaming, downloading, surfing, and gaming needs. Faster bandwidths will also be available. Their selling point is that customers will have direct access to 100% fiber connectivity, without bandwidth caps or throttling, extra fees, or taxes, and with no contract required. They are expected to begin in the southern end of Plainville and work their way north. The GoNetspeed service will be available to residents shortly after the fiber is installed on their street. They expect to complete the installation by the end of Fall. More information regarding GoNetspeed can be found on their web page at www.gonetspeed.com

- **Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Public Information Session (Virtual Meeting) – June 22nd**

The Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Virtual Public Information Meeting conducted by the State Department of Transportation will be held tomorrow evening (June 22nd) beginning at 7:00 pm. Interested persons can join the virtual public information meeting via MS Teams Live Event or through the YouTube project channel. The link to view via each of these platforms can be found at:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DOTPlainville109-173> Persons can also provide comments via email. The project email address is DOTProject109-173@ct.gov. Voicemail comments can also be made by calling 860-944-1111. The public comment period is open through Wednesday, July 7, 2021. Finally, persons with limited internet access will be able to call to listen into the presentation toll free by calling 888-949-2798 and entering participant code **1591603**.

- **Library Board of Trustees Recommendation Regarding Re-naming of the Youth Services Room**

At the Library Board of Trustees meeting held on June 8th, they unanimously voted to name the Youth Services Room in memory of Elizabeth “Betty” Boukus. They also suggested that the dedication ceremony should be held after the summer months to be held on Friday, September 17, 2021, beginning at 5:00 pm.

There is an item under New Business regarding this recommendation to name the Youth Services Room at the Plainville Public Library in memory of Elizabeth “Betty” Boukus.

- **COVID-19 Update**

As of last Thursday, all but one municipality in the State are now below 5 cases per 100,000 persons testing positive for COVID-19. The Town of Bolton is the only Town above the 5 per 100K at 7.3 per 100,000 putting them in the yellow category.

The overall positivity rate for the State now stands at 0.30%.

- **Financial Dashboard**

The Dashboard for the first 11 months of the fiscal year was included in the meeting information package and was posted on the Town website.

- **Happenings**

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

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Avenue, commented on the hiring of the next Chief of Police for the Town of Plainville.

Zachary Ferguson, 40 Atherton Terrace spoke regarding on-going litigation matter of the Town of Plainville.

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St spoke in opposition to Alignment C of the proposed Trail.

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St. spoke regarding the virtual public information meeting to be held by the DOT on June 22, 2021, regarding Alignment C of the proposed Trail.

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance entitled “Ordinance Establishing Fourth Quarter Transfer for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021”**

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to adopt an ordinance entitled “Ordinance Establishing 4th Quarter Transfers for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021” The motion was seconded by Councilman Underwood and passed 7-0.

2. Additional Appropriation

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to appropriate \$135,000 from Account #0100-000-32110-000, Unassigned Fund Balance, to Account #0100-201-51140-0000, Police Overtime. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rocco and passed 7-0.

3. Tax Auction

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the tax auction list as recommended. Councilman Gnazzo abstained from this vote. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rocco and passed 6-0.

4. Consider Re-naming of Library Youth Services Room

Councilwoman Morante motioned to rename the Library Youth Services Room to the Elizabeth “Betty” Boukus Youth Services Room. The motion was seconded by Councilman Underwood and passed 7-0.

5. Tax Refunds- See Addendum

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

XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel Matter – Police Chief Search
2. Land Acquisition Matter

At 8:04 pm Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to enter into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Underwood and passed 7-0.

All seven Council members were present for the executive session along with Town Manager Lee, Assistant Town Manager Daskal, and Town Attorney Chomick. Discussion was held regarding a Personnel Matter – Police Chief Search and a Land Acquisition Matter. A motion was made, seconded unanimously passed to end the executive session at 8:55 pm. No further action was taken.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:56 pm Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Underwood and passed 7-0.

Respectfully submitted by,



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

Unique ID	Name	Property Location	Tax due	Total Due with Interest & Fees	# Yrs
R08793	ROOT EARL C III & SUSAN B	9 LENA AVE	\$60,308.40	\$89,381.13	6
R04986	POULOS THEODORE	5 ELM CT	\$39,363.43	\$87,825.53	14
R00555	WIJAS PETER G	3 SENECA RD	\$52,801.88	\$103,371.42	13
R02418	GORSKI BARBARA J ESTATE OF	36 CODY AVE	\$33,447.56	\$60,600.90	9
R00157	CRAGO LLC	40 EAST ST	\$32,442.85	\$44,040.86	4
R04982	RUSSELLGATE CONDO ASSN INC	71 RUSSELL AVE	\$28,836.63	\$63,950.46	14
R04644	JOHNSON MICHAEL A	7 SCHENONE CT	\$28,248.32	\$44,527.00	7
R01777	JOHNSON KURT	228 EAST ST	\$23,902.18	\$39,755.83	8
R02830	MALONE NILA L & KENNETH	176 S. WASHINGTON ST	\$23,108.74	\$36,520.60	7
R03238	LABONTE LEONE & LOUIS G	7 FARMHILL DR	\$21,625.87	\$34,383.98	7
R03961	MARINELLI PETER J & SUSAN C	175 S. WASHINGTON ST	\$19,467.26	\$29,094.93	5
R04048	MITCHELL KEVIN	15 BEECHWOOD RD	\$17,850.07	\$25,118.27	4
R04194	MYSLAK THOMAS & PATRICIA	20 SPRING ST	\$17,670.42	\$24,245.18	5
R00824	COLEMAN DANIEL J	4 ROBIDOUX RD	\$16,588.70	\$22,789.14	4
R06171	TRANGATA FRANCES	11 ELM CT	\$16,474.51	\$23,318.20	5
R00304	ROGERS LAURA	11 PEARL ST	\$15,979.10	\$21,349.25	5
R04298	THRELKELD SANDRA	371 LONG SWAMP RD	\$15,308.81	\$27,601.47	9
R01948	FAIAZZA GIANNINA L/U	38 SUMMER ST	\$14,716.50	\$21,358.39	5
R05918	SWEEZEY DAVID L	20 PEARL ST	\$14,292.04	\$17,991.89	4
R02238	CARON ANDREW	26 JOHNSON AVE	\$13,592.81	\$18,728.83	5
R00067	PALMISANO RONALD & DEBRA L JT	WEST MAIN ST	\$13,458.42	\$22,946.33	9
R00127	ANDERSON, NILS A JR	60 FRANKLIN	\$7,340.82	\$9,031.16	2
R04374	OCTOBER TWENTY-FOUR INC	NIKE RD	\$70,924.65	\$222,900.14	15
R04377	OCTOBER TWENTY-FOUR INC	LONG SWAMP RD	\$61,799.47	\$121,306.96	11
R04363	OCTOBER TWENTY FOUR INC	CAMP ST	\$24,599.81	\$52,150.19	13
R07838	OCTOBER TWENTY FOUR INC	METACOMET RD	\$23,546.20	\$55,889.74	15
R04373	OCTOBER TWENTY-FOUR INC	LONG SWAMP RD	\$20,993.00	\$41,381.73	11
R01980	OCTOBER TWENTY FOUR INC	LONG SWAMP RD	\$19,813.92	\$42,251.34	13
R04367	OCTOBER TWENTY-FOUR INC	LONG SWAMP RD	\$9,729.34	\$20,905.66	13
R04371	OCTOBER TWENTY-FOUR INC	LONG SWAMP RD	\$7,076.30	\$14,123.96	11
R04378	OCTOBER TWENTY-FOUR INC	METACOMET RD	\$2,072.18	\$5,925.21	13
			\$767,380.19	\$1,444,765.68	

Refunds

6/21/2021

	Current Year	Amount
1	Corelogic, PO Box 9202, Coppell, TX	\$2,777.22
2	Nissan Infiniti LT, PO Box 650214, Dallas TX	\$94.34
	Total	\$2,871.56

**Sewer
Usage**

1	Tanguay, Michael/24 Cody Avenue Plainville	\$204.96
2	Wright, James & Marianne/143 Broad Street Plainville	\$85.83
3	Goff K/Fitzgerald K 58 Cleveland Street Plainville	\$25.00
	Total	\$315.79