

**MINUTES
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2017 – 7:00p.m.**

- I. PRESENTATIONS:**

- II. PUBLIC HEARING**
 - 1. Sewer User Fee
 - 2. Additional Appropriation for Eversource Energy Opportunities Program

- III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of September 11, 2017 Special & Regular Meetings

- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS**

- V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**
 - 1. Economic Development 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. Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Update
 - 2. Capital Projects Building Committee Update
 - 3. Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Application
 - 4. Review of Water Pollution Control Facility Upgrade Project Flyer
 - 5. Happenings

- IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- X. OLD BUSINESS**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Sewer User Fee
2. Consider Additional Appropriation
3. Consider Eversource Energy Opportunities Program Proposal
4. Resolution regarding EMPG Application for FY2017
5. Tax Refunds - Addendum

XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Union Negotiations

XIV. 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 Morante, Tompkins and Carrier, Town Manager Lee, Assistant to the Town Manager Colby, Town Attorney Mastrianni and Town Clerk Skultety. Councilmen Ciotto and Wazorko were absent

Vice Chairman Saunders led the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PRESENTATIONS

II. PUBLIC HEARING

Town Clerk Skultety read the following legal notice:

**TOWN OF PLAINVILLE
TOWN COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY OCTOBER 2, 2017**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Sec. 7-255 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Plainville Town Council, acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday October 2, 2017 in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Center, One Central Square to consider the following:

1. Sewer user rate for the period November 1, 2017 to October 31, 2018

Copies of proposed rates are available at the office of the Town Clerk during regular business hours.

Dated at Plainville, Connecticut this 21st September, 2017.

Town Manager Lee reviewed the proposed increase in anticipation for the mandated phosphorus improvements at the WPCF. There was an analysis done by Tighe & Bond and the 4.8% increase in in line with the funding schedule.

Chairwoman Pugliese opened the hearing for public comments.

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Ave spoke against the increase and feels the Town should receive more funding for the mandates.

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St spoke against the increase

Chairwoman Pugliese mentioned the Town has tried very hard and applied for and received assistance from the Clean Water Fund and Grant Funds for these mandates in order to mitigate the impact to residents.

No further public comments were made and the hearing was closed.

Town Clerk Skultety read the following legal notice:

**LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF PLAINVILLE
TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
OCTOBER 2, 2017**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plainville Town Council will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2017 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center, One Central Square in Plainville to hear public comment on the following:

1. Consider an additional appropriation of \$580,000 to the Capital Improvement Plan

Dated at Plainville, Connecticut this 28th day of September, 2017.

Town Manager Lee stated Superintendent Brummett and the School Facilities Department has been working with PTE Energy of Plainville on possible incentive monies to replace the boiler at the Middle School and to install LED lighting at the High School, Linden Street School, Fire House, Library, Municipal Center, Police Station and Senior Center.

Mr. Lee was notified earlier that only one of the two boilers at the Middle School is now operable due to a large irreparable crack in the other. If the remaining boiler fails the school would be closed while costly replacements were made.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,078,152 and incentives totaling \$389,011 or 36.1% of the project are available if the boiler is replaced by December 31st. The incentives will not be available in 2018.

If these improvements are made, the annual energy savings would be \$83,578. This would be a payback of 8.2 years and a “*return on investment*” of over 12%.

Chairwoman Pugliese opened the hearing for public comments.

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Ave suggested contractors be brought in to repair the broken boiler. These items have been in the Capital Improvement Plan and does not agree with transferring from fund balance at this time.

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St questioned the relationship of Eversource and the mentioned incentive projects.

Eversource is providing funding for incentive grants for work on the boilers and LED lighting.

Andrea Saunders, 55 Fawn Dr stated it was a matter of time before the boilers would fail. They have exceeded their 25 year expectancy and asked the Town Council to consider approving funds for the replacement.

Joseph Gohar, 14 Perron Rd is a steam fitter and feels the cracked boilers could be welded and buy a few years before needing to be replaced.

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councilwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the minutes of September 11, 2017 Special and Regular Meetings. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 5-0.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATION

1. Economic Development Agency

Councilman Carrier motioned to appoint Mark Chase as a Regular Member of the Economic Development Agency for the term ending 11/9/18. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 5-0.

2. Aviation Commission

Councilman Carrier motioned to reappoint the following Regular Members for the new term 11/1/17 – 10/30/20:

- A. Robert Mastrianni (R), 261 Camp St**
- B. Richard Piotrowski (D), 14 Peace Ct**
- C. Reade Clemens (R), 87 Farmington Ave**

The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 5-0

3. Capital Project Building Committee

Councilman Carrier motioned to reappoint the following members to the Capital Projects Building Committee for the new term 8/1/17 – 8/1/23:

- A. Tom Arcari, Sr (R), 4 Autumn La
- B. Thomas Lozaw (R), 22 Beechwood Rd

The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 5-0

4. Zoning Board of Appeals

Councilwoman Tompkins motion to reappoint Peter Autunno, Jr (R), 63 Fawn Dr as a Regular Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for the new term 10/1/17 – 10/1/22. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 5-0.

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:

- **Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Update**

A Collaborative Workshop to refine the preferred alignment for the Farmington Canal Trail through Plainville will be held on Wednesday, October 18th. The workshop will be held at the High School Cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

The meeting will begin with an Open House where attendees can provide feedback on specific sections of the proposed trail. At 7:00 pm, there will be a presentation that will give an overview of the process used to narrow the alternatives into the Preferred Alignments. After the presentation, there will be a question and answer period followed by another opportunity to provide feedback in an open house setting.

Notices for the Collaborative Workshop will be mailed to the persons that own property in close proximity to the proposed alignment and possible alternate routes being considered.

The proposed alignment and alternates can be found on the **Gap Closure Trail Study** website at www.gapclosurestudy.com.

- **Capital Projects Building Committee Update**

The Capital Projects Building Committee met recently to discuss the status of the proposed project and to receive an update on the schematic drawings for Wheeler Elementary School.

Representatives from KBA notified the Committee that some additional environmental investigation work needs to be done at this time to move forward with the drawings. The work includes a *Phase 1 Environmental Assessment* and *Asbestos Containing Roof Material Inspection* to be performed by **Eagle Environmental, Inc.**, for \$2,100 and \$2,500 respectively and *roof test cuts* to be performed by **Silktown Roofing** for \$1,795.

- **Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Application**

The annual EMPG Application is due to be sent to the State by October 15th. This small grant totaling approximately \$2,000 is used to pay a portion of the salary for the Emergency Management Director.

- **Review of Water Pollution Control Facility Upgrade Project Flyer**

A copy of the proposed flyer that will be mailed to the Town residents was included in the Town Council packets. Town staff is requesting feedback from the Town Council before it is mailed on November 1st.

- **Happenings**

Assistant to the Town Manager Colby reported on activities and events including Bulk Pick Up, Plainville Library, Senior Center and Plainville Coalition for Positive Youth. To view more activities please visit the Town's website at www.plainvillect.com.

Vice Chairman Saunders commented on the WPCF flyer. The Town has worked hard to obtain the reimbursement rate and feels the gradual user fee increase is more manageable than one large one.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Roberta Lauria, 18 Perron Rd spoke in opposition to any CRCOG and Steering Committee alignment proposal that will have an impact on any neighborhood in Town specifically in the Perron Road north of Johnson Avenue, Johnson Avenue.

Katherine LaBella, 50 Pierce St spoke in opposition to the proposed trail that would split Pierce Street as well as other neighborhoods in Town and voiced her concerns relating to privacy and safety issues.

Art Marino, 22 Tuttle St gave a report on the wildlife and volunteer and school tour groups activities at the Tomasso Nature Park. He would like address the Town Council quarterly with this information.

Kathleen Marsan, 44 Shuttlemeadow Rd announced the Plainville Wind Ensemble is celebrating its 30 year anniversary. They have been selected to perform in Buffalo, NY at the American Concert Band National Convention in May of 2018. A musical piece commissioned by composer Scott Perkins will be performed by the Ensemble at the convention and at the spring concert.

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St comments included items in the Capital Improvements Plan especially the boiler and asked the Town Council to carefully consider the impact the bike trail will have on neighborhoods. We went on to state his appreciation for a detailed explanation and better understanding from the CPBC of the Wheeler project.

Katherine Waite, 50 Pierce St spoke in opposition if the trail going through Pierce St for safety issues. Currently there are cars parked on the street and that narrows the street for trail users.

Dorothy Amundsen, 50 Pierce St is opposed to the trail due to safety issues. The street is dangerous with traffic coming in and out of the two condos and asked the Town Council to reconsider the alignment.

Nancy Blake 50 Pierce St spoke in opposition to the trail traveling through Pierce St. She has looked at the street from the perspective of trail users and feels with the cars that are parked daily along the street, a trail would be a real safety issue.

David Spencer, 127 Milford St Ext asked the Town Council to consider having the boiler looked at and possibly repaired.

Marilyn Shorette, 18 Milford St asked the Town Council investigate the situation of the boiler before spending the funds. She went on to speak against constructing a new trail when there is a bike trail through Town already. She is also against spending any funds on a Dog Park.

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St asked the Town Council to listen to the people when they say they don't want the trail where it becomes intrusive. She also feels the boiler could be repaired.

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Ave comments touched on the charter's delegated responsibilities as well as election practices and policies.

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Sewer User Fee – See Addendum

Councilman Carrier motioned for the Town Council acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority to approve an increase to the Sewer User Rate by 4.8% for the period November 1, 2017 to October 31, 2018. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders. Discussion followed. The motion passed 5-0.

2. Consider Additional Appropriation

Councilman Carrier motioned to appropriate \$580,000 from Account #0100-000-32110-0000, Unassigned Fund Balance, to Account #0100-315-53513-2018, Electricity PTE Energy, for participation in the Eversource Energy Opportunities Program with PTE Energy. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Saunders. Discussion followed. The motion passed 5-0.

3. Consider Eversource Energy Opportunities Program Proposal

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to authorize Town Manager Lee to execute the Eversource Energy Opportunities Program Proposal with PTE Energy. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carrier.

Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to postpone action on this item until the October 16, 2017 Town Council meeting. The motion to postpone was seconded by Councilman Carrier and passed 5-0.

4. Resolution regarding EMPG Application FFY2017 - See Addendum

Councilwoman Morante motioned to adopt a resolution entitled "Authorizing Resolution of the Plainville Town Council" regarding the Emergency Management Performance Grant. The motion was seconded Vice Chairman Saunders and passed 5-0.

5. 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 5-0.

XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Union Negotiations

At 8:35pm Vice Chairman Saunders motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss Union Negotiations. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tompkins and passed 5-0.

Present during the Executive Session were Town Manager Lee, Assistant to the Town Manager Colby, Chairwoman Pugliese, Vice Chairman Saunders, Council members Morante, Tompkins and Carrier. Discussion ensued.

At 9:15pm a motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to close Executive Session. No further action was made.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:15pm Councilman Carrier 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

**Town of Plainville, CT
Sewer Rates Current/Adopted
For the Fiscal Year Period November 1, 2017 - October 31, 2018**

Description	Current Rate	Adopted Increase	Proposed New Rate
Standard Charge, per 1,000 Cubic Feet Effluent Discharge	\$ 51.42	4.80%	\$ 53.90
Minimum Charge	\$ 368.54	4.80%	\$ 386.24
Well Users	\$ 456.98	4.80%	\$ 478.92
Effluent Discharge, per 1,000 Gallons	\$ 147.42	4.80%	\$ 154.50

10-2017

**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION OF THE
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**

RESOLVED, that the Plainville Town Council may enter into with and deliver to the

State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Robert E. Lee, as Town Manager of the Town of Plainville, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Plainville Town Council and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents.

Refunds

10/2/2017

	Current Year	Amount
1	Ari Fleet LT OR, Mt Laurel, NJ	\$28.50
2	Bielawski, Barbara, 11 Dewey Pl	\$15.43
3	Bussett, Beth, Murrells Inlet, SC	\$91.18
4	Cassidy, John or Marie, 7 Florence Ln	\$20.32
5	Daimler Trust, Fort Worth, TX	\$272.23
6	Dievert, Ronald, Jr, 304 Cooke St	\$15.76
7	Galayda, Darlene, Chester, SC	\$9.64
8	Galayda, Eric or Jennifer, Chester, SC	\$13.62
9	Galyada, Eric, Chester, SC	\$26.25
10	Gibilisco, Salvatore, 10 Kent St	\$20.98
11	Honda Lease Trust, Holyoke, MA	\$60.72
12	Honda Lease Trust, Holyoke, MA	\$168.17
13	Honda Lease Trust, Holyoke, MA	\$41.56
14	Hyundai Lease Titling Trust, Fountain Valley, CA	\$266.90
15	Hyundai Lease Titling Trust, Fountain Valley, CA	\$251.64
16	Jakova, Tefe, 76 Rockwell Ave	\$127.13
17	JFC Endeavors Inc, Carrier Group Inc 68A South Canal St	\$13.00
18	Jouvin, Josee, PO Box 632	\$16.96
19	Kane, Janice, 18 Hillcrest Rd	\$10.26
20	LaBrach, Paul, 1 Riverview Dr	\$24.74
21	Mann, Payl, 40 Orrin Ave	\$48.04
22	Martino, Robert, 22 Cody Ave	\$98.04
23	Miller, Jessica, 70 Whiting St	\$88.70
24	Molloy, Eric, 45 W Broad St	\$67.23
25	Moschini, Dominick, PO Box 847	\$44.18
26	Newman, Mary or David, 42 Peach Orchard Hill	\$46.40
27	Peterson, Roger or Margaret, Highland Park, NJ	\$16.21
28	Peterson, Roger or Margaret, Highland Park, NJ	\$16.77
29	Rogers, David, 67 N Washington St	\$67.72
30	Romanow, Allison, 147 Hollyberry Ln	\$35.95

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31	Romanow, Allison, to Marc, 147 Hollyberry Ln	\$42.81
32	Rubino, Richard, 34 Forestville Ave	\$14.97
33	Sgroi, Vincent or Sherry, 6 Autumn Ln	\$344.12
34	Slapski, Henry, 24 Ivy Rd	\$17.42
35	Tolis, Angelo, 17 Mountain View Dr	\$159.81
36	Vaughan, James, 50 Pierce St Apt 4	\$61.11
37	Waryas, Janice, 69 Broad St Apt 2C	\$6.87

Total	\$2,671.34
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Prior Year

1	Nevelos, Cynthia, 7 Bradley St #14	\$202.08
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Total	\$202.08
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Sewer User Fee

1	Chambers, Lucy, 53 Shuttlemeadow Rd	\$25.00
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Total	\$25.00
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