

**MINUTES
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 8, 2019 – 7:00pm**

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X. OLD BUSINESS

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2. Establish public hearing for 2019 Neighborhood Assistance Act
3. Fiber Project – CRCOG/Sertex Agreement
4. Tax Refunds - Addendum

XII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XIII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 Chairwoman Tompkins, Council Members Wazorko, Morante, Gnazzo and Carrier, Town Manager Lee, Assistant to the Town Manager Colby and Town Clerk Skultety. Councilman Cox was absent

Councilwoman Morante led the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PRESENTATIONS

II. PUBLIC HEARING

Town Council's FY2020 Proposed Budget

Town Clerk Skultety read the following legal notice:

**LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF PLAINVILLE
TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
APRIL 8, 2019**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plainville Town Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center, One Central Square for the purpose of hearing public comment on the Town Council's Fiscal Year 2020 proposed budget.

Copies of the proposed budget are available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Dated at Plainville, Connecticut this 4th day of April 2019.

Town Manager Lee briefly reviewed the following summary of the recommended budget:

	Town Council Recommendation	Change	% Change
Town Government	18,017,474	484,338	2.76%
Board of Education	38,329,105	1,006,193	2.70%
Debt Service	4,734,233	334,233	7.60%
Capital Projects	800,000	0	0
Total	61,880,822	1,824,764	3.04%

The anticipated mill rate increase is 0.88 mills or 2.61%

During the Special Budget Meetings, the Town Council reviewed all departments and related capital projects and reduced the budget as proposed by the Town Manager, by \$357,282.

Chairwoman Pugliese opened the hearing to public comments.

Karen Maciorowski, 2 Sunrise Terr pointed out some areas in the budget she thought the Town Council should have considered

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Ave presented a budget he proposed that the Town Council should consider

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St commented on the areas within the CIP budget

Roberta Lauria, 18 Perron Rd asked for clarification on several areas of the proposed budget

Joel Edman, 63 Hollyberry Ln commented on the proposed budget and encouraged votes to come out and vote

Nicole Palmieri, Vice Chairwoman of the BOE spoke in support of the proposed budget and encouraged voters to yes

David Spencer, 127 Milford St Ext encouraged the Town Council to look at more reductions

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St commented the proposed budget is too high

Karen Maciorowski, 2 Sunrise Terr spoke in support of the BOE budget and asked that the Town's side be looked at more closely

Hearing no more comments the public hearing was closed

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the minutes of March 4, 2019 Regular Meeting; March 7, 2019 Public Hearing; March 11, 12 and 13, 2019 Special Meetings. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORTS

Chairwoman Pugliese complimented Councilwoman Morante on her presentation for the Plainville Historic Society regarding women in politics.

V. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATION

1. Zoning Board of Appeals

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to appoint Stacey Shaw (D), 126 New Britain Ave, as a regular member to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the term ending 10/1/19. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wazorko and passed 6-0.

2. Fire Department

Councilman Gnazzo motioned to appoint Joshua Baczek, 11 Hanson Place, as a Probationary Fighter to the Plainville Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 6-0.

3. Conservation Commission

Councilwoman Morante motioned to ratify the Town Manager's appointment of James Lenois, Jr. (U), 19 East Maple St, to the Conservation Commission for the term ending 1/15/20. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins and passed 6-0.

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

VII. REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY

No report

VIII. REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

Town Manager Lee presented and discussed the following topics:

- **Annual Town Audit RFQ**

Town staff will shortly be issuing a *Request for Qualifications* for the FY19 Town Audit. The return date will be in early May. It is anticipated that a recommendation will be made at the first meeting in May.

- **Fiber Project – CRCOG/Sertex Agreement**

Town staff has been working with Sertex Utility Services for the installation of fiber to the Town facilities including several town and school buildings, police radio repeaters, the wastewater treatment plant and four pump stations.

In 2014, CRCOG conducted a Request for Proposal for Network Infrastructure Services for the purpose of establishing a contract through competitive negotiations for fiber optic and network cabling services. Sertex was chosen to provide these services for the CRCOG towns.

CRCOG would remain the administrator of any Agreements on behalf of its members. A fee schedule was established for the services provided by Sertex.

Under **New Business** is a motion that would authorize the Town Manager to execute a Side Letter Agreement to participate in the Master Services Agreement between CRCOG and Sertex.

The estimated cost of the Sertex Services in \$453,378.

- **Valley Water Public Information Session – May 14, 2019**

A Public Information Session to discuss the Valley Water “*Hardness Removal Evaluation Study*” will be held on **Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at the Middle School beginning at 7:00 pm.** The study was performed by Tighe & Bond and was issued last May.

Plainville residents are invited to attend the Public Information Session to hear representatives from Tighe & Bond review the results of the study including their estimated costs for softening the water on a system-wide basis. Valley Water representatives will also review the results of their customer survey held last fall. Representatives from the State Department of Health, the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and the Plainville Southington Health Districts will also be in attendance to explain their roles and responsibilities in the operation of public water systems operated by private companies such as Valley Water.

Residents are invited to attend the Public Information Session. There will be opportunities to ask questions and to provide public comments.

The Tighe & Bond Study can be found on the Valley Water Systems web page. A link to the full study can also be found on the Town of Plainville web site at www.plainvillect.com

- **Community Seminar – Tenant Eviction Rights**

Plainville apartment renters and other interested community members are invited to attend a public forum addressing tenants’ rights on Thursday, April 18th from 6:30-8 pm at the Plainville Senior Center. This event is co-sponsored by the Town Manager’s Office and the Senior Center.

Attorneys David Pels from Statewide Legal Services of CT, Inc., and Paul Zagorsky of Zagorsky, Zagorsky & Galske will explain the eviction process, fair and equitable rent increases, and what rights may or may not belong to a tenant. Both lawyers have extensive legal experience in this area coming from both tenants’ and property owners’ perspectives. A Q&A session will follow the presentation, and light refreshments will be served.

The Plainville Senior Center is located at 200 East Street. Questions about the forum can be directed to Town Manager Robert Lee by calling (860) 793-0221 x201 or via email at

relee@plainville-ct.gov. Persons in need of free transportation, to/from the event can call the Senior Center at (860) 747-5728 to make arrangements.

- **Community Video Showcase Program – Cal Hauburger**

Town staff is working with CGI Communications to produce a series of videos promoting Plainville. These videos would be placed on the Town web site available to people seeking information about our Town.

Cal Hauburger gave a brief presentation regarding the CGI Program. Mr. Hauburger will be the staff person in charge of this project.

- **Happenings**

Assistant to the Town Manager Colby's report included events and activities within the Senior Center, Historic Center and the Transfer Station/Bulk Pick-Up. For more information visit the Town Website at www.plainvillect.com

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Kisluk, 65 Forestville Ave commented on the Fireside Chats with Town Manager Lee.

Joel Edman, 63 Hollyberry Ln. comments included his opposition to the trail

Roberta Lauria, 18 Perron Rd comments included her opposition to the trail alignment.

Joanne Edman, 166 West Main St comments included her opposition to Alignment C.

Lou Frangos, 10 Fairbanks St comments included general budget questions.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Possible Action on the FY2020 Proposed Budget

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned approve and recommend:

a. **The General Government Fiscal Year 2020 Budget including Capital Improvement Projects for \$23,551,717, and;**

b. **The Board of Education Fiscal Year 202 Budget for \$38,329,105 for a total expenditure budget of \$61,880,822.**

The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo. Discussion followed. The motion passed 6-0.

2. Establish public hearing for 2019 Neighborhood Assistance Act

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to establish a public hearing on Monday, May 6, 2019, at 7:00pm in the Municipal Center to hear public comment regarding the 2019 Neighborhood Assistance Act. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

3. Fiber Project – CRCOG/Sertex Agreement

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve and authorize Town Manager Lee to sign a Letter of Agreement with CRCOG & Sertex regarding the Fiber Project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

4. Tax Refunds – See Addendum

Vice Chairwoman Tompkins motioned to approve the tax refunds as listed on the Addendum. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and passed 6-0.

XI. OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTEREST

XII. MATTER APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:45pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Vice Chairwoman Tompkins, seconded by Councilman Gnazzo and unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted by,

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

Refunds

4/8/2019

	Current Year	Amount
1	Blanchard, Jean or Carol, 98 Pickney Ave	\$158.34
2	Hunt, Carol , Port St. Lucie, FL	\$258.61
3	Minkler, Jonathan, Bristol, CT	\$263.86
4	Simons, Shawn or Catherine, 37 Basswood St	\$135.29

Total	\$816.10
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Prior Year	Amount
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1	Grayson, Dawn, 20 Exeter Ave	\$65.48
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Total	\$65.48
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Sewer User Fee	Amount
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1	Grayson, Dawn, 20 Exeter Ave	\$406.52
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Total	\$406.52
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