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TOWN OF PLAINFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN Meeting Minutes –July 26, 2021

Kevin Cunningham called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Plainfield Town Hall.

Members present were Kevin Cunningham, Art Gagne, and Cathy Tendrich.

Minutes

Cathy motioned to approve the 7/12/2021 meeting minutes, Art seconded.

All in favor, motion passed.

Public Comment none

New Business

1. Consider and act on tax refunds as requested by the Tax Collector totaling \$191.57:

Gary W. Adams Sr.	\$47.28
Barry N Begos	\$57.37
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Rachel Mikolajczik	\$79.49

Art motioned to approve the tax refunds totaling \$191.57, Cathy seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

2. Discuss And act on setting a town meeting date for the purchase of Open Space Land.

Kevin stated the Town has an opportunity to purchase open space land. The two pieces of land are adjacent to the 139 acres the Town owns and buying would gain access to that land. The Town made offers to the property owners: one offer is for \$43,000 on the property closet to Kate Downing Rd and it appraised at \$47,000 and the second is offer is for \$60,000 and appraised a \$40,000. It would total 162 acres combined to use for passive recreation and there is a little bit of wetlands.

Cathy asked if the Town would have to touch the wetlands. Kevin stated we would have to go through a small area of wetlands.

Kevin stated there is money in the Open Space Account that can be used to purchase these two pieces of land and it has to go a Town Meeting to be voted on. We don't have to go to a referendum because the money was ear marked specifically for open space. \$103,000 is needed to purchase the properties.

Art asked how the Town acquired the 139 acres. Mary Ann Chinatti, Town Planner, stated DEEP transferred it to the Town and is to remain as Open Space.

Cathy asked if the open space money can be used to clear and create the trails. Kevin stated yes.

Art asked if this has to go to the Board of Finance. Kevin stated yes.

Kevin would like to set the Town Meeting for Wednesday, August 11, 2021, at 7pm at the Town Hall.

Seann Peterson asked if the timber was mature timber. Kevin will look into it.

Cathy motioned to set the town meeting for Wednesday, August 11, 2021, at 7:00 pm to discuss the purchase of open space land, Art seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Other

7/28/21 Charter Revision Public Hearing and special Board of Selectmen meeting 7/31/21 Triathlon at 8am 8/6/21 Fireworks 9pm, rain date is 8/7 8/7/21 Celebrate Plainfield 10-3 pm 8/8/21 VJ Day Parade 1:01 pm

Kevin stated a food truck event is being planned for Columbus Day weekend.

Adjournment

Art motioned to adjourn at 7:13 pm; Cathy seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

This is a summary of the meeting and the recording is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Hewitt, Recording Secretary