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Attest: Shirley J. Talbot
Town Clerk



**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD
AMENDED BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes – 14 August, 2023**

Kevin Cunningham called the BOS meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Members present were Kevin Cunningham and Art Gagne with Scott Gardiner absent.

Minutes **Approve meeting minutes from BOS meeting 24 July, 2023.** *Art motioned to approve the BOS minutes from 24 July, 2023. Kevin seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.*

Public Comment **None**

Old Business **None**

New Business

- 1. Consider and act on tax refunds as requested by the Tax Collector totaling \$271.07.**

<i>Heidi A McMechen</i>	<i>10.87</i>
<i>Rhea L Palin</i>	<i>24.70</i>
<i>Jennifer A Morein</i>	<i>85.77</i>
<i>Anthony N. Gianquitti</i>	<i>57.50</i>
<i>Rousseau Jaques & Therese M</i>	<i>12.81</i>
<i>Tracey A Villegas</i>	<i>39.71</i>

Art motioned to approve the tax refunds as requested by the Tax Collector totaling \$271.07. Kevin seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

- 2. Discuss and act on approving Ordinance 137 - Application Form. Mary Ann**

reviewed and pointed out one modification.

Art motioned to approve Ordinance 137 - Application Form as it is written. Kevin seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

3. Discuss act on items for the Charter Revision Commission. Kevin stated the changes he is suggesting to be changed are as follows:

A. Fix the Charter regarding the Town Budget, Sec. 2-4-c.

B. Better clarification for modifying Sec. 5-6 and 8-3 to give definition of WPCA as stated in CGS 7-246.

C. Create new Sec 5-7 for Pension Board with definition as there are no ordinances defining a Pension Board.

D. Flood and Erosion Control Board, BOS as of now.

E. Define Legislative Body - Legislative body is the authority at a town meeting. However, the BOS is the legislative body for all BOS meetings.

F. Sec. 2-5-5 to either take out ten days or move it to 20 days. This is regarding notices that shall be given within ten days after enactment by the Town Meeting.

G. Clarification on Sec. 10-6-c as Expenditures on spending. A resident had an issue with this.

H. Chapter 4 - Elected Town Officers, ie. Town Clerk shall be elected for a term of 4 years.

I. Resident sent a letter regarding absentee ballots for town budget votes and that at a certain age that the taxes do not rise. See attachment.

J. Sec. 7-7-1 Appointment of persons to boards of commissions.

K. Sec. 7-5-c Conservation Commission

L. Budget Cuts

Diane Talbot - Town Clerk stated she has been asked about Minority Representation within the BOE. The Charter has to clearly state we would like to go against the Statue in order to follow our Charter for Minority representation.

4. Discuss and act on request for \$15,000.00 for Town Hall phone upgrades. A request needs to be sent to the BOF for phone upgrades for the Police and the Town Hall.

Art motioned to send a request to the BOF for \$15,000.00 for Town Hall phone upgrades. Kevin seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

- 5. Discuss and act on request for \$80,000.00 for state required ambulance service.** American Legion was providing services free of charge for the Town for many years. 2 towns were utilizing these services, Plainfield and Sterling. CGS Sec. 19a-181b, see attachment. This will be an ongoing part of the budget and be sent to the BOF and would be added to the budget. They are looking into getting their transport license. There are other agencies the Town can be utilized but are not close to Plainfield. The cost to support any other services would surpass what the Town could handle.

Art motioned to send the request for \$80,000.00 to the BOF for state required ambulance service. Kevin seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

- 6. Discuss and act on a resolution in support of a 2023 STEAP Application.** Jordan stated this is the last opportunity to leverage the demolition costs of the Annex property to have the pavilion. The Town voted to authorize the use of demolition costs as a grant match with any state or federal program. This is phase 1 and they are hoping this will cover the costs of the outdoor restrooms as well. Will not cover any of the parking lot upgrades across the street. Art asked if this is a similar grant to Lions park.

Art motioned to support the 2023 STEAP Application. Kevin seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Other Public Act for Veterans Service Officer. Art is worried that if we cannot fill this position, how will a committee be filled. Kevin stated this should be taken to the Coffee House for their support.

Adjournment

Art motioned to adjourn at 7:34 pm. Kevin seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.


Respectfully submitted by,

Krystal Ferrari, Recording Secretary