

**WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, SS

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan, in said State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

[Polls will be open until 7:00 P.M.]

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot: One selectman for three years, one town clerk for three years, one tax collector for three years, one treasurer for three years, one trustee of trust funds for three years, one library trustee (west side) for three years, one library trustee (east side) for three years, one cemetery trustee for three years and any other necessary town officers.

You are further notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Saturday, the 17th of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,695,956** to defray town charges for the 2007 fiscal year. The selectmen propose the following budget:

1. Executive	\$126,610
2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics	5,980
3. Financial Administration	51,182
4. Revaluation of Property	13,000
5. Legal Expenses	8,100
6. Personnel Administration	14,600
7. Planning and Zoning	7,500
8. General Government Buildings	5,950
9. Cemeteries	23,960
10. Insurance	36,700
11. Regional Associations	8,000
12. Police Department	224,590
13. Ambulance Service	31,000
14. Fire Departments -Plainfield	39,000
-Meriden	37,000
15. Building Inspection	8,800
16. Emergency Management	1,000
17. Hydrant & Forest Fire Expense	6,350
18. Dispatching for Fire, Police & Ambulance	14,000
19. Highway Administration	19,350

20. Highways and Streets	522,700
21. Road Projects	100,761
22. Street Lights	8,000
23. Solid Waste Collection	135,000
24. Solid Waste Disposal	80,610
25. Health Agencies	17,900
26. Animal Control	1,500
27. Welfare	6,750
28. Recreation Commission	18,240
29. Libraries - Plainfield	49,537
- Meriden	32,035
30. Patriotic	1,500
31. Conservation Commission	2,500
32. Principal Long-term debt	25,000
33. Interest Long-term debt	11,251

Total: **\$ 1,695,956**

**This budget is exclusive of other warrant articles.
The selectmen recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$95,000** for the purchase of a new bucket loader to be used by the highway department, and to authorize the selectmen to withdraw the sum of \$95,000 from the Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund created in 1987 pursuant to RSA 35:1 and to further authorize the selectmen to sell or trade the town's existing 1991 loader (the new loader has a value of \$120,000 the town's existing loader an estimated value of \$25,000). The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a two year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing a police cruiser valued at \$24,650 and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$11,000** for the first year's payment for that purpose. Further to authorize the selectmen to sell or trade the existing 2003 police cruiser, valued at approximately \$2,650. This contract includes a second year non-appropriation clause. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$117,500** to be placed in existing town capital reserve and general trust funds, pursuant to RSA 35:1 and RSA 31:19-a as follows:

RSA 35:1 funds:

\$10,000	Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994.
\$5,000	Revaluation Fund created in 1993.
\$45,000	Highway Vehicles Fund created in 1987.
\$50,000	Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006.

RSA 31:19a funds:

\$5,000	Town Hall Repair Fund established in 1996.
\$2,500	Library Building Repair Fund established in 1992.

The selectmen are named agents to expend for the bridge fund, the town hall repair fund and the library building repair fund. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,400** from the town's fund balance to be deposited into the Transportation Improvement Capital Reserve Fund established in 2006. Said funds were received from the Plainfield School District in 2006 as part of the highway department's assistance with the previously approved connection to the Meriden Village Waste Water plant. The intent of this article is to make these funds available for future highway improvement projects. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** to be used by the conservation commission to refresh the boundary markings of town-owned properties where needed. This is the second part of this project; the initial work was funded last year through the passage of article 14. Further, to withdraw said sum from the Forest Maintenance Fund established in 1992 pursuant to RSA 31:113. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000** to be used for the purchase and installation of signs welcoming visitors to the town and its various villages. This item is by request. The selectmen recommend the appropriation.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000** for the purpose of continuing to repair, and when needed, replace fencing around the town's various cemeteries. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will, pursuant to RSA 31:19a, vote to establish an expendable trust fund to be called "Townsend Bridge & Trail Fund" for the purpose of maintenance, replacement or removal of the Townsend bridge and the maintenance and expansion of the surrounding trail network. Further to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$7,163** to be deposited into this fund. Said funds to come from the following sources: \$663 from fund balance, \$5,000 from committed private donations and \$1,500 from the Conservation Commission Fund. The Board of selectmen to be named agents to expend. The selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to dissolve of the Sullivan County Regional Refuse District (paper ballot vote required).

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will, in the event that the dissolution of the Sullivan County Regional Refuse District is not approved by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the District, vote to withdraw from the Sullivan County Regional Refuse District as permitted by the district agreement, effective July 1st 2007 (paper ballot required).

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to increase the real estate exemption on dormitories, dining rooms, and kitchens of Kimball Union Academy above the required \$150,000 as allowed in RSA 72:23, to one hundred (100) percent of the assessed value of property over which the town has statutory discretion.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will direct the selectmen to appoint, within 60 days of town meeting, a committee to continue the KUA/Plainfield study. The charge to this committee shall be to meet with representatives of the KUA administration and maintain an ongoing review of the relationship between the academy and the town, including any agreement pursuant to RSA 72:23, and to report its findings at next March's annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a finance committee (advisory only) of six Plainfield voters to advise the selectmen, and other officers of the town in the prudential affairs of the town.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectboard to reappoint the Solid Waste Committee established by Article 14 of the 2005 annual meeting and Article 13 of the 2006 annual meeting.

ARTICLE 17. To see what action that town will take with respect to the reports of town officers.

ARTICLE: 18. To see if the town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our elected officials at the local and state levels:

Resolved: We the voters of Plainfield believe in a New Hampshire that is fiscally responsible and locally controlled -- but fair. The property tax has become unfair. "The Pledge" against considering any alternative broad-based taxes perpetuates this unfair and burdensome property tax. We urge our elected officials to reject "The Pledge", have an informed discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that retains the good aspects of fiscal responsibility and local control -- but relieves the unfair local property tax burden. (This article is by petition.)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our elected officials at the local and state levels:

Resolved: We the voters of Plainfield believe that relief must be provided to our most heavily burdened taxpayers while supporting an excellent education for our children in a fiscally responsible way. While we hope that the State of NH will begin to address its education funding responsibilities, we also believe that towns should be able to enlist the creativity of their residents to resolve intra-town tax inequities in ways that the state currently limits. Toward that end, we urge our elected officials to pass enabling legislation that expands the opportunities for towns to raise revenue as their citizens see fit. (This article is by petition.)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Plainfield.

These actions include:

1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the town of Plainfield encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices. (This article is by petition.)

ARTICLE 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

A True Copy Attest:

JUDITH A. BELYEA

MARK H. WILDER

ROBERT W. TAYLOR

SELECTMEN OF PLAINFIELD