

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE ANNUAL REPORT 2014



Three good villages make for one
GREAT community.

Many villages make up the Town of Plainfield. The Plainfield Plain is the home of our annual Fourth of July Parade, "the best little parade in the state of New Hampshire". Meriden village hosts the annual town wide summer picnic known as "Spirit Day". East Plainfield is the hub of the Pumpkin People invasion now occurring each fall. These three distinct villages along with many other unnamed neighborhoods all help form the single community of the Town of Plainfield. No matter where you live in town, come participate in our events and traditions and see what makes Plainfield so special!

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TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

New Hampshire

Annual Report 2014

Annual Reports
of the
Officers and Selectmen
and the
School District



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TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Office	Name	Appt. Expires
MODERATOR	Paul B. Franklin	2014
TOWN CLERK	Michelle Marsh	2016
SELECTBOARD	Robert W. Taylor, Chair	2015
	Judith A. Belyea	2016
	Ron C. Eberhardt	2017
TREASURER	Sarah Brookes-Governo	2016
TAX COLLECTOR	Michelle Marsh	2016
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	Edward Stansfield	2014
	Donald Garfield	2015
	Jesse Stalker	2016
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	Hillary Sundell	2015
	Nancy Liston	2015
	Suzanne Spencer	2016
	Anita Brown	2016
	Mark Pensgen	2017
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	Helen T. Davidson	2015
	Harold L. Jones Jr.	2018
	Donald Jordan	2020
	Sue Ellen Leugers	Resigned
CEMETERY TRUSTEES	James Taylor	2015
	Jesse Stalker	2016
	Bradford Atwater	2017
ASSIST. MODERATOR	Stephen H. Taylor	
BALLOT CLERKS	Sarah Brookes-Governo	
	Robin Marsh	
	Elizabeth Lurie	

BALLOT CLERKS (con't) RoAnne Rogerson
Jill Young, Alt

ROAD AGENT Richard Collins

RECREATION DIRECTOR Daniel Cantlin
HEALTH OFFICER Stephanie Schell
ZONING ADMIN. Stephen Halleran
YIELD TAX AGENT Judith A. Belyea
WELFARE DIRECTOR Stephanie Schell
EMERGENCY MGT.DIR. James McCarragher
POLICE DEPARTMENT Paul Roberts, Chief
Matthew Foss
Billy Heighes
Matthew Agan

PLANNING BOARD Jane Stephenson, Chair
Michael Sutherland
Allan Ferguson
Jeffrey Allbright
Elise Angelillo
Stephen Halleran, Alt
Judith Belyea, Selectwoman

ZONING BOARD Richard Colburn, Chair
Edward Moynihan
Bradford Atwater
William McGonigle
Stephen Sheehan
Scott MacLeay, Alt

**CONSERVATION
COMMISSION** Myra Ferguson, Chair
Judith Ptak
William Knight
David Grobe
Anne Donaghy
David Taylor
Ron Eberhardt

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rangi Keen
David Grobe
Bradford Atwater
Dan LaPan
Eric Brann
Audra Bucklin

**ENERGY
COMMITTEE**

Nancy Mogielnicki, Co Chair
Steve Ladd, Co Chair
Allan Ferguson
Mike O'Leary
Ron Eberhardt
Evan Oxenham
Frank Perotti

UVLSRPC

James Taylor

**MERIDEN FIRE CHIEF
PLAINFIELD FIRE CHIEF
FOREST FIRE WARDENS**

Frank Currier
Frank Currier
Frank Currier, Warden
Douglas Plummer, Deputy
Christopher Berry, Deputy
William Taylor, Deputy
Daniel Boone Rondeau, Deputy
Bruce Elder, Deputy
Lester Bouchier, Deputy
Joseph Longacre, Deputy
Jeffrey LeBlanc, Deputy
Mark Horne, Deputy

**KUA STUDY
COMMITTEE**

Stephen Beaupre
Elizabeth Duany
John Yacavone
Robyn Hadlock
Robert Hewett
Eric Brann
Pamela Miller
Myra Ferguson
Chris Foreman, School Board
Robert Blake, Kimball Union Academy
Stephen Halleran, Selectboard Rep.

**CONNECTICUT RIVER
JOINT COMMISSIONS**

Robert Kline

**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 10th day of March next at eight 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 Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, two Library Trustee for three years, one Cemetery Trustee for three years, one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years and any other necessary town officers.

ARTICLE 2. To see what action the town will take with regard to the following questions relative to the Plainfield Zoning Ordinances, **said changes being recommended by the Planning Board:**

Question 1. In order to clarify questions that have risen with the administering of the newly adopted Accessory Dwelling Unit ordinance (approved in 2014) the following minor changes are proposed:

Amend Criteria which apply to detached ADUs, #2 which reads

2. The peak of the ADU roof may not be higher than 25'.

To read

2. For buildings constructed after January 1st 2015 maximum building height is 25' for ADU's. Ornamental cupolas measuring less than 30" in width and 30" in depth and that are no higher than 48" may be excluded from the 25' building height limit.

Amend Criteria which apply to detached ADUs, #3 which reads:

3. When located in an outbuilding such as a barn or garage, whether existing or new, only the portion of the structure used for the ADU must conform to the dimensional requirements above.

To read

3. When located in an outbuilding such as a barn or garage built before January 1st 2015, the maximum height restriction does not apply. However, the ADU portion must conform to all other dimensional requirements for ADUs as listed in this ordinance.

Yes _____

No _____

Question 2.

To provide a basic regulatory framework for the establishment of solar energy projects the following is proposed:

Add a new section **3.8 SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS:** The town, through its policies and zoning ordinance in accordance with RSA 672:1 III & 674:62-66, supports and encourages the development of alternative energy systems. However, like telecommunication towers and wind powered generating systems (WPGS) solar energy systems (SES) have the potential to impact other properties, including view sheds. Therefore, no building permit for a SES shall be issued without the project first having been granted a special exception by the Zoning Board of Adjustment unless the SES meets the following criteria:

- 1) Roof top mounted or wall mounted system, in all zones, that does not extend beyond the exterior perimeter of the building on which the system is mounted and does not rise up more than 5’ from the exterior surface of the roof.
- 2) Ground mounted systems in the Rural Residential (RR), Rural Conservation I (RCI) and Rural Conservation II (RCII) zones that do not rise more than 14’ from the ground measured from the surface of the existing grade to the top of collector at its highest point and are not more than 7kw in size.

For SES that do not require a special exception the arrays will be considered an accessory use and will be permitted with a building permit in all zones except the Conservation Zone.

All ground mounted systems proposed in the Village Residential Zone (VR) shall require a special exception.

All ground mounted solar installations which are connected to a commercial metering system shall require a site plan review by the Planning Board.

Application Requirements for Solar Energy System (SES) requiring a special exception and or site plan review:

- a. Names and addresses of the owners of the property where the SES is proposed
- b. Abutter list
- c. Written description of the project
- d. Site map of the property and proposed facility design
- c. Visual analysis
- d. Decommissioning plan (if applicable)

Standards to be met: In addition to evidence of conformance to all the general performance standards found in section 5.6II of this ordinance, proposals for SES must satisfy all of the following:

Location: Systems will be located and or screened so as to minimize the visual impact from abutting properties. For the purpose of this ordinance a ground mounted solar array shall be considered a structure.

Fencing: While generally not required in cases where the town’s land use boards deem it necessary to protect public safety, perimeter fencing may be required around all or some of the system components.

Utilities: Unless specifically waived by the Zoning Board all distribution lines associated with the system will be underground.

Approved Solar Components: All electric solar components must have UL listing or equivalent.

Utility Company Approval: The applicant, as part of the application process must show a letter of acceptance from any utility company which will receive the electric power from the system.

Decommissioning: All proposals for SES, which require either a special exception or a site plan review, will include provisions, acceptable to the town, to insure that once the facility is no longer in use, it will be completely removed from the site.

Add to the list of special exceptions for the VR, RR, RCI and RCII zones: #24 Approved Solar Energy System.

Renumber the zoning ordinance as required.

Yes _____

No _____

Question 3.

To provide homeowners with all of the pool barrier options permitted by the town's adopted building code **delete** from the Plainfield Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1 FENCES, WALLS and HEDGES #3 which reads:

3. Every in-ground swimming pool shall be entirely enclosed with a good quality chain link wire, stockade or other equivalent fence of not less than five (5) feet in height measured from the ground level unless a special exception is granted.

Yes _____

No _____

You are further notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Saturday, the 14th of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,101,932** to defray town charges for the 2015 fiscal year. The Selectboard proposes the following budget:

1. Executive	\$194,950
2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics	3,380
3. Financial Administration	68,700
4. Revaluation of Property	13,000
5. Legal Expenses	8,100
6. Personnel Administration	5,500
7. Planning and Zoning	1,000
8. General Government Buildings	9,425
9. Cemeteries	25,000
10. Insurance	36,600
11. Regional Associations	5,100
12. Police Department	356,598
13. Ambulance Service	27,000
14. Fire Departments -Plainfield	49,500
-Meriden	44,500
15. Building Inspection	8,900
16. Emergency Management	250
17. Hydrant & Forest Fire Expense	4,100
18. Dispatching for Fire, Police & Ambulance	27,000
19. Highway Administration	20,050
20. Highways and Streets	680,200
21. Road Projects	99,900

22. Street Lights	12,000
23. Solid Waste Collection	153,000
24. Solid Waste Disposal	48,810
25. Health Agencies	18,370
26. Animal Control	500
27. Welfare	8,500
28. Recreation Commission	19,000
29. Library Department	124,649
30. Patriotic	1,000
31. Conservation Commission	500
32. Principal Long-term debt	25,000
33. Interest Long-term debt	1,850
Total:	\$ 2,101,932

This budget is exclusive of other warrant articles.
The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$149,500** 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:

\$15,000	Revaluation Fund created in 1993.
\$50,000	Highway Equipment Fund created in 1987.
\$55,000	Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006.
\$5,000	Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created 1994.
\$5,000	ADA Access Fund created in 2003.
\$6,000	Police Equipment Fund created in 2011.
\$5,000	Gravel Pit Reclamation Fund created in 2012.

RSA 31:19a funds:

\$6,000	Town Hall Repair Fund established in 1996.
\$2,500	Library Building Repair Fund established in 1992.

Further, to name the Selectboard as agents to expend on the Highway Equipment Fund created in 1987.

The Selectboard is named agents to expend for the bridge fund, the town hall repair fund, the library building repair fund, the revaluation fund, the transportation improvement fund and the police equipment fund. The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund to be called the Town Facilities Maintenance Fund for the purpose of making repairs to town buildings and grounds and to appropriate the sum of **\$60,000** from the town's unassigned fund balance for this purpose, pursuant to RSA 35:1. Further, to name the Selectboard as agents to expend for this fund. The Selectboard recommends this article.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$12,000** for the purchase of a brush chipper to be used by the highway department and to authorize the Selectboard to withdraw up to the sum of \$12,000 from the Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund created in 1987 pursuant to RSA 35:1 and to further authorize the Selectboard to sell or trade the town's existing brush chipper. The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

ARTICLE 7. 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 eighty (80) percent of the assessed value of property over which the town has statutory discretion.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will direct the Selectboard to appoint 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 9. 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 Selectboard and other officers of the town in the prudential affairs of the town.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will, pursuant to RSA 202-A:6, vote to create, beginning April 1, 2015, two separate boards of trustees, one for the Meriden Library and one for the Philip Read Memorial Library. The present board members to be distributed between the two newly created boards, as determined by the current board of trustees, with the Selectmen to be responsible for approving the final make-up and appointing a sixth trustee. Each library shall be administered by a three member board, each trustee to serve a three year term. Further, to authorize and instruct the Selectboard and the existing trustees to take all necessary action to achieve the purpose of this article (Article by petition).

ARTICLE 11. To request that the Town of Plainfield, NH, stand with communities across the country to defend democracy from the corrupting influence of big money in our political system, by calling upon our legislators to amend the United States Constitution to establish that:

- Only individual human beings are endowed with constitutional rights, and
- Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech.

And that the People of Plainfield, NH hereby instruct our state and federal representatives to enact resolutions and legislation to advance this effort, and to

reduce the influence of big money and increase transparency and voter participation in our electoral system.

And that the record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Plainfield's Congressional delegation, and to Plainfield's State Legislators, and to the Governor of New Hampshire, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by the Town Administrator's office within 30 days of the vote. (Article by Petition).

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to send a message to the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department, the Vermont Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources, and the State of Vermont requesting that they take all appropriate and needed measures to fully mitigate the shooting noise nuisance emanating from the Hammond Cove Shooting Range in Hartland, Vermont into Plainfield, New Hampshire and to fully restore the quiet, peaceful character of nearby Plainfield residences and recreation areas to levels that existed prior to the 2012 Hammond Cove site construction (Article by Request).

ARTICLE 13. To see what action the town will take with respect to the reports of town officers.

ARTICLE 14. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

A True Copy Attest:

Robert W. Taylor

Judith A. Belyea

Ron Eberhardt

Plainfield Selectboard

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

We, the undersigned Selectboard of Plainfield, so hereby certify that on the 18th day of February in the year 2015, we posted a true attested copy of the within warrant at the Plainfield School, it being the place of meeting, and a like true and attested copy of said warrant at the Meriden Town Hall and the Plainfield Town Hall, said locations being public places in the Town of Plainfield.

Signed:

Robert W. Taylor

Judith A. Belyea

Ron Eberhardt

BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue
January 1st 2015 to December 31st 2015

EXPENDITURES	2014	2014	2015	Percent	Dollar
Item	Approved	Expenditures	Request	Change	Change
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Executive	\$182,750	\$186,158	\$194,950	6.7%	\$12,200
Election/Registration	\$5,130	\$7,343	\$3,380	-34.1%	(\$1,750)
Financial Administration	\$68,700	\$67,521	\$68,700	0.0%	\$0
Revaluation of Property	\$11,000	\$13,973	\$13,000	18.2%	\$2,000
Legal Expense	\$4,100	\$8,253	\$8,100	97.6%	\$4,000
Personnel Administration	\$4,700	\$5,350	\$5,500	17.0%	\$800
Planning and Zoning	\$1,200	\$1,145	\$1,000	-16.7%	(\$200)
Government Buildings	\$7,025	\$10,257	\$9,425	34.2%	\$2,400
Cemeteries	\$25,000	\$25,851	\$25,000	0.0%	\$0
Insurances	\$35,100	\$22,076	\$36,600	4.3%	\$1,500
Regional Associations	\$5,100	\$5,235	\$5,100	0.0%	\$0
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police	\$348,848	\$347,310	\$356,598	2.2%	\$7,750
Ambulance	\$26,500	\$26,725	\$27,000	1.9%	\$500
Fire-Plainfield	\$49,500	\$48,876	\$49,500	0.0%	\$0
Fire-Meriden	\$44,500	\$43,876	\$44,500	0.0%	\$0
Building Inspection	\$7,400	\$10,845	\$8,900	20.3%	\$1,500
Emergency Management	\$250	\$0	\$250	0.0%	\$0
Hydrant Rentals/FFT	\$4,100	\$4,331	\$4,100	0.0%	\$0
Dispatch Service	\$22,000	\$26,815	\$27,000	22.7%	\$5,000
HIGHWAYS, STREETS					
Highway Administration	\$22,800	\$22,148	\$20,050	-12.1%	(\$2,750)
Highway and Streets	\$658,100	\$649,546	\$680,200	3.4%	\$22,100
Road Projects	\$98,800	\$98,800	\$99,900	1.1%	\$1,100
Street Lights	\$8,000	\$10,356	\$12,000	50.0%	\$4,000
SANITATION					
Solid Waste Collection	\$150,000	\$149,892	\$153,000	2.0%	\$3,000
Solid Waste Disposal	\$44,810	\$48,351	\$48,810	8.9%	\$4,000
Health					
Health Department	\$18,370	\$15,855	\$18,370	0.0%	\$0
Animal Control	\$500	\$495	\$500	0.0%	\$0
WELFARE					
General Assistance	\$5,250	\$9,621	\$8,500	61.9%	\$3,250
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
Recreation Commission	\$19,165	\$15,844	\$19,000	-0.9%	(\$165)
Libraries	\$117,658	\$115,612	\$124,649	5.9%	\$6,991
Patriotic Purposes	\$1,000	\$682	\$1,000	0.0%	\$0
Conservation Commission	\$500	\$235	\$500	0.0%	\$0

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DEBT SERVICE

Principal Long-term debt	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	0.0%	\$0
Interest Long-term debt	\$2,450	\$2,424	\$1,850	-24.5%	(\$600)
Interest T.A.N Notes	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL	\$2,025,306	\$2,026,801	\$2,101,932	3.8%	\$76,626

EXPENDITURES

Item	2014 Approved	2014 Expenditures	2015 Request	Percent Change	Dollar Change
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
Hwy Transportation Fund	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	0.0%	\$0
Hwy Equipment Reserve Fund	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.0%	\$0
Hwy Bridge Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.0%	\$0
Hwy Gravel Reclamation Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.0%	
Revaluation Fund	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$15,000	-25.0%	(\$5,000)
Town Hall Repair Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000	20.0%	\$1,000
Library Repair Fund	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	0.0%	\$0
ADA Access Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.0%	\$0
Police Equipment Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000	20.0%	\$1,000
Hwy Garage Improvements	\$0	\$0	\$60,000		
Hwy Brush Chipper	\$0	\$0	\$12,000		
Hwy Road Side Mower	\$55,000	\$52,000	\$0		(\$55,000)
Hwy Body Replacement	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$0		(\$21,000)
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$228,500	\$225,500	\$221,500	-3.1%	(\$7,000)
GROSS EXPENDITURES	\$2,253,806	\$2,252,301	\$2,323,432	3.1%	\$69,626



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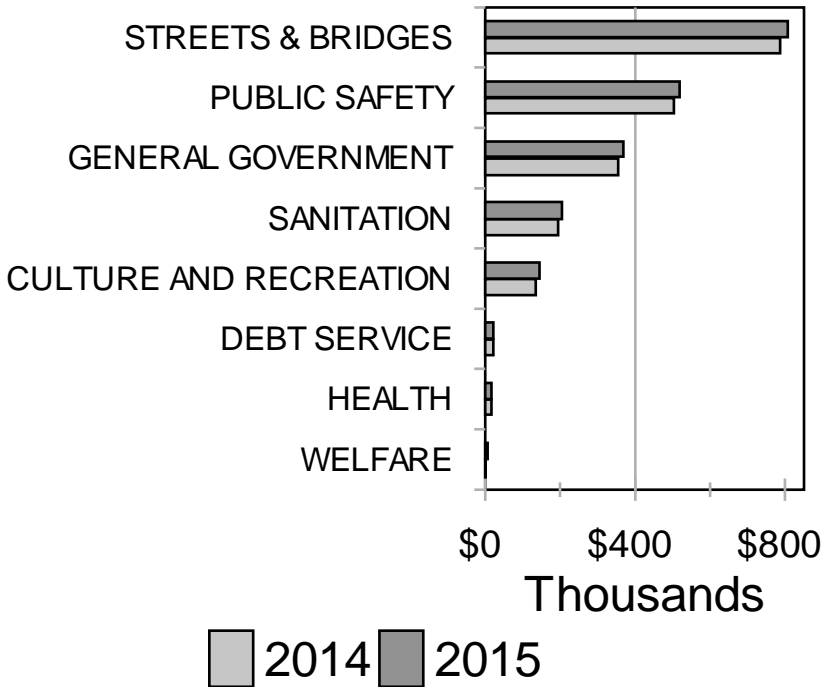
REVENUES	2014	2014	2015	Percent	Dollar
Item	Anticipated	Received	Anticipated	Change	Change
TAXES					
Land Use Change Tax (1/2)	\$4,705	\$4,705	\$9,625	104.6%	\$4,920
Yield Taxes	\$8,000	\$14,100	\$12,000	50.0%	\$4,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.0%	\$0
Interest & Penalties	\$45,000	\$46,214	\$45,000	0.0%	\$0
Excavations					\$0
LICENSES AND PERMITS					
Licenses & Fees	\$7,000	\$5,215	\$7,000	0.0%	\$0
Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$435,000	\$456,262	\$460,000	5.7%	\$25,000
Trash User Fees	\$78,000	\$69,108	\$72,000	-7.7%	(\$6,000)
STATE REVENUE					
Rooms and Meals Dist	\$105,564	\$114,307	\$114,307	8.3%	
Highway Block Grant	\$98,800	\$99,848	\$99,900	1.1%	\$1,100
State Reimbursements	\$115	\$37	\$115	0.0%	\$0
CHARGES FOR SERVICE					
Income from Departments	\$32,000	\$28,360	\$32,000	0.0%	\$0
Reimbursements	\$500	\$150	\$500	0.0%	\$0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE					
Sale of Town Property	\$5,000	\$2,450	\$5,000	0.0%	\$0
Interest on Deposits	\$1,000	\$788	\$1,000	0.0%	\$0
FEMA/EMG	\$16,000	\$16,255	\$0		(\$16,000)
OTHER FINANCING					
Capital Reserve Funds	\$76,000	\$76,000	\$12,000		(\$64,000)
Trust Funds	\$10,000	\$9,311	\$10,000		\$0
Fund Balance Utilization	\$0	\$0	\$60,000		\$60,000
BUDGET REVENUE TOTALS	\$923,684	\$944,110	\$941,447		
NET APPROPRIATION	\$1,330,122	\$1,308,191	\$1,381,985	3.9%	\$51,863
Change in dollars from taxation:			\$51,863.00		
Projected tax rate impact			\$0.20		

**TOWN OPERATING
BUDGET SUMMARY**

	2014	2015	Change	Percent Total
WELFARE	\$5,250	\$8,500	62%	0%
HEALTH	\$18,870	\$18,870	0%	1%
DEBT SERVICE	\$26,850	\$26,850	0%	1%
CULTURE AND RECREATION	\$138,323	\$145,149	5%	7%
SANITATION	\$194,810	\$201,810	4%	10%
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$353,405	\$370,755	5%	18%
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$503,098	\$517,848	3%	25%
STREETS & BRIDGES	\$784,700	\$812,150	3%	39%
	\$2,025,306	\$2,101,932	4%	100%

Town Budget

Major Catagories



TOWN MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2014

Plainfield, New Hampshire

The annual meeting for the Town of Plainfield was held at the Plainfield Elementary School on Bonner Road on March 11, 2014. Moderator Paul Franklin opened the meeting at 8:00 am with the reading of Articles 1 & 2. Michelle Marsh made a motion to dispense with the reading of the warrant, seconded by Stephen Halleran. The polls were declared opened.

Total Number on Checklist: 1553

Total Number of Ballots Cast: 342

Percentage of Voting: 22%

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot: One Moderator for two years, One Selectperson for three years, one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Cemetery Trustee for three years, one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years and any other necessary town officers.

Selectboard Member for three years:

Ron Eberhardt 243

Mark Horne 69

Ron Eberhardt was declared elected.

Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years:

Edward Stansfield 304

Edward Stansfield was declared elected.

Library Trustee for three years:

Mark Pensgen 290

Write-Ins:

Alice Eberhardt 2

Dennis Girouard 2

Mark Pensgen was declared elected.

Cemetery Trustee for three years:

Bradford Atwater 281

Write-Ins:

David Taylor 2

Bradford Atwater was declared elected.

Supervisor of the Checklist for six years:

Donald Jordan 305

Donald Jordan was declared elected.

ARTICLE 2. To see what action the town will take with regard to the following questions relative to the Plainfield Zoning Ordinances, **said changes being recommended by the Planning Board:**

Question 1.

In an effort to allow increased flexibility for housing options throughout town the Planning Board is proposing the following changes to the accessory apartment provisions of the Plainfield Zoning Ordinance. This change is intended to modify the current accessory apartment criteria broadening it to include units detached from the main dwelling unit.

Replace all instances of “accessory apartment” with “accessory dwelling unit.”

Add the following to Schedule A of the Plainfield Zoning Ordinance for the Village Resident Zone, Rural Residential Zone, Rural Conservation I Zone and Rural Conservation II Zone Special Exception list **#37 Approved Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU).**

Add to section 4.3 Principle Use of Lot: C) Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU):

Accessory dwelling units are allowed in certain situations to:

- Create new housing units while respecting the look and scale of single-dwelling development;
- Increase the housing stock of existing neighborhoods in a manner that is less intense than alternatives;
- Allow more efficient use of existing housing stock and infrastructure;
- Provide a mix of housing that responds to changing family needs and smaller households;
- Provide a means for residents, particularly seniors, single parents, and families with grown children, to remain in their homes and neighborhoods;
- Provide a broader range of accessible and more affordable housing

A property may have only one ADU whether attached or detached. For attached accessory dwelling units, where no prior zoning board approval exists, no zoning board of adjustment approval is necessary prior to obtaining a building permit. For all detached ADU’s (where the relationship to the principle dwelling unit is

less than enclosed by weather tight space including a continuous roof and continuous foundation), Zoning Board approval is required. In cases where a property has an existing Zoning Board approval the Zoning Board shall review the entire property and approved uses when determining whether or not an ADU (attached or detached) is allowable on the site. The ADU will be considered as an accessory use to the primary residential use.

Criteria which apply to all ADUs whether attached or detached:

1. The property owner must occupy the primary unit or the ADU as their permanent residence. Prior to occupancy the owner shall record at the Sullivan County Registry of Deeds an acknowledgement of the owner occupancy requirement in a form acceptable to the town.
2. ADU's are not intended for individual ownership. An approved ADU shall not be converted to a condominium or any other form of legal ownership distinct from the ownership of the existing primary dwelling unit.
3. ADU's may be between 320 and 800 sq feet and cannot exceed 50% of the gross living area of the primary residence.
4. The ADU shall contain no more than one bathroom and two bedrooms.
5. The parcel on which the ADU is built must be conforming in lot size and road frontage for the zone in which it is located. The ADU, whether a new or an existing structure, must satisfy the front, side, and rear yard setbacks for the zone. Setback encroachments or variances involving the living area square footage requirements are not allowed.
6. If applicable, the owner must seek a permit from the State of NH Department of Environmental Services Subsurface Systems Bureau in accordance with RSA 485-A:38.
7. At least one parking space must be designated for the ADU.
8. The ADU must use an existing curb cut on the property.
9. Utilities may be shared between the primary residence and the ADU, however, they must be configured in such a way to satisfy current life safety code requirements.
10. The local fire department shall be considered an abutter for the purposes of noticing ADU applications.

Criteria which apply to detached ADUs:

1. If a new structure, the ADU must be constructed and located, in the judgment of the Zoning Board, so that it does not detract from the character of the neighborhood.
 - a. The ADU should be subordinate in scale, size and placement to the primary residence.
 - b. The ADU's exterior should be similar in design and quality to the primary residence.
2. The peak of the ADU roof may not be higher than 25'.

3. When located in an outbuilding such as a barn or garage, whether existing or new, only the portion of the structure used for the ADU must conform to the dimensional requirements above.
4. Detached ADUs in the VR zone which are constructed after the adoption of this regulation shall require 20,000 square feet in addition to the minimum lot size. An ADU incorporated into a structure existing prior to the adoption of this regulation shall be exempt from this requirement.

Delete ACCESSORY APARTMENT from Article VIII Definitions

Add to Article VIII Definitions the following:

ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU): An attached or free standing independent residential unit, in addition to the primary residence on a single lot, which is between 320 and 800 square feet and which contains no more than one bathroom and two bedrooms.

261 voting yes

45 voting no

It was declared a vote in the affirmative and the amendment so adopted.

Question 2,

In an effort to allow increased flexibility for housing options and to provide more opportunities for workforce housing the Planning Board is proposing the following amendment to the Plainfield Zoning Ordinance.

Remove from Schedule A Special Requirements for the Village Residential, Rural Residential Zone and Rural Conservation I Zone #1 which reads: Minimum lot size shall apply to each dwelling unit, except that an approved accessory apartment shall require an additional 20,000 square feet.

Add to Schedule A Special Requirements for the Village Residential Zones: #1 which will read: Minimum requirements for projects involving multifamily dwellings: The lot and proposed development must conform with all dimensional requirements and shall include an additional 20,000 sq feet of land for each additional dwelling unit proposed unless specifically excepted in section 4.3.B of Approved Combination of Related Uses.

Add to Schedule A Special Requirements for the Rural Residential and Rural Conservation I Zones: #1 which will read: Minimum Lot Size for projects involving multifamily dwellings: The lot must conform with all dimensional requirements for the zone in which it is located. If more than two units are proposed, an additional acre of land is required for each unit over two.

271 voting yes 50 voting no
It was declared a vote in the affirmative and the amendment so adopted.

Question #3

In an effort to allow more flexibility with the Approved Business Project, by allowing property owners to include two or more dwelling units in an Approved Business Project proposal, **remove** from section 3.5 letter g which reads:

g) Multiple residential uses, whether attached or detached may not be approved under this section.

138 voting yes 33 voting no
It was declared a vote in the affirmative and the amendment so adopted.

The Polls closed at 7:00 p.m. the Moderator recessed the meeting which will resume on Saturday, the 15th of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon at the Plainfield School gymnasium.

On Saturday, March 15, 2014 Moderator Paul Franklin re-opened the meeting at the Plainfield Elementary School at 10:00am. The meeting began with words of inspiration given by Reverend Suellen Leugers, followed by a salute to the flag and the singing of America the Beautiful.

The Moderator then introduced the town officers and recognized Selectboard member Robert Taylor who awarded the 2012 Stephen H. Taylor Community Service Award to Jane Stephenson for her many years of service to the town. She is a long standing member of the Planning Board and currently serves as Chair. She created the walking tours for both villages, serves as a member of the Historical Society and Blow-Me-Down Grange. She is a volunteer and most recently applied for and received a grant to help restore the grand drape which now hangs in the Meriden Town Hall. That's just to mention some of her contributions. Thank you, Jane! A standing ovation was received.

Moderator Franklin explained the rules of the meeting. John Yacavone made a motion to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant and proceed to Article 3. His motion was seconded and passed unanimously by a voice vote.

ARTICLE 3. Stephen Halleran offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: Resolved that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,025,306** to defray town charges for the 2014 fiscal year. Selectman Williams seconded the motion.

1. Executive	\$182,750
2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics	5,130
3. Financial Administration	68,700
4. Revaluation of Property	11,000
5. Legal Expenses	4,100
6. Personnel Administration	4,700
7. Planning and Zoning	1,200
8. General Government Buildings	7,025
9. Cemeteries	25,000
10. Insurance	35,100
11. Regional Associations	5,100
12. Police Department	348,848
13. Ambulance Service	26,500
14. Fire Departments -Plainfield	49,500
-Meriden	44,500
15. Building Inspection	7,400
16. Emergency Management	250
17. Hydrant & Forest Fire Expense	4,100
18. Dispatching for Fire, Police & Ambulance	22,000
19. Highway Administration	22,800
20. Highways and Streets	658,100
21. Road Projects	98,800
22. Street Lights	8,000
23. Solid Waste Collection	150,000
24. Solid Waste Disposal	44,810
25. Health Agencies	18,370
26. Animal Control	500
27. Welfare	5,250
28. Recreation Commission	19,165
29. Library Department	117,658
30. Patriotic	1,000
31. Conservation Commission	500
32. Principal Long-term debt	25,000
33. Interest Long-term debt	2,450
Total:	\$ 2,025,306

Moderator Franklin recognized Town Administrator Stephen Halleran who spoke to the motion. He reported that due to the damages from the summer storm, the town received \$62,000 from FEMA to help defray repair costs. The hardest hit roads were Hell Hollow and Kenyon. The Road Agent and Selectboard have put together a plan to begin a project of upgrading the culverts to help combat the uncertain weather patterns we have experienced recently.

The energy committee has been making progress in finding ways to save money in our town buildings. In 2013, improvements were made at the town offices and in 2014 the committee looks to improve the Highway Garage.

The Selectboard refinanced the remaining 5 years of the Philip Read Memorial Library improvement loan which will save us \$4,100.

Steve thanked the departments for their hard work and mentioned the Human Services Department led by Stephanie Schell has done a fantastic job during a very cold winter keeping our residents in need supplied with food, fuel and shelter.

Overall, \$35,000 was returned to the unexpended fund balance. If everything passes on the budget, the town portion of the taxrate will increase taxes by .17 cents per thousand.

Questions were asked and answered.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes 123 No 6

It was a vote in the affirmative the resolution was adopted and so declared.

ARTICLE 4. Stephen Halleran offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

That the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$152,500** 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:

\$20,000	Revaluation Fund created in 1993.
\$50,000	Highway Vehicles Fund created in 1987.
\$55,000	Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006.
\$5,000	Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created 1994.
\$5,000	ADA Access Fund created in 2003.
\$5,000	Police Equipment Fund created in 2011.
\$5,000	Gravel Pit Reclamation Fund created in 2012.

RSA 31:19a funds:

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

Judy Belyea seconded the motion.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes 116 No 5

It was a vote in the affirmative, the resolution was adopted and so declared.

ARTICLE 5. Selectman Williams offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

That the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$55,000** for the purchase of a tractor and mower to be used by the highway department for roadside mowing, and to authorize the Selectboard to withdraw up to the sum of \$55,000 from the Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund created in 1987 pursuant to RSA 35:1 and to further authorize the selectboard to sell or trade the town's existing 1977 Ford tractor. Judy Belyea seconded the motion.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes 111 No 8

It was a vote in the affirmative, the resolution was adopted and so declared.

ARTICLE 6. Selectman Taylor offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

That the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$21,000** for the purchase of a replacement dump truck body and to authorize the select board to withdraw up to the sum of \$21,000 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 dump truck body that is being replaced by the new unit. Tom Williams seconded the motion.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes 102 No 18

It was a vote in the affirmative; the resolution was adopted and so declared.

ARTICLE 7. Eric Brann offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

That the town 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 eighty (80) percent of the assessed value of property over which the town has statutory discretion.

Judy Belyea seconded the motion.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes 63 No 31

It was a vote in the affirmative; the resolution was adopted and so declared.

ARTICLE 8. Steve Halleran offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

That the town direct the Select board to appoint 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. Judy Belyea seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken.

The “Ayes” were unanimous.

The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 9: Jim Taylor offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

That the Town vote to accept the property and assets currently under control of the Mill Cemetery Association and authorize the Plainfield Board of Selectmen to work together with the Trustees of the Mill Cemetery Association to bring the property and assets of the Association under the control of the Plainfield Cemetery Trustees and Plainfield Board of Selectmen in perpetuity. These include: Property on Colby Hill Road known as the "new section" bordered on three sides by stonewalls and the fourth side border being the lower access road consisting of 3.8 acres more or less; and approximately \$30,000 in current and reserve funds.

Steve Halleran seconded the motion.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes 85 No 1

It was a vote in the affirmative; the resolution was adopted and so declared.

ARTICLE 10. Selectman Robert Taylor offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

That the town vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a finance committee (advisory only) of six Plainfield voters to advise the Select board and other officers of the town in the prudential affairs of the town. Selectman Williams seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken.

The “Ayes” were unanimous.

The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 11. Selectwoman Judy Belyea offered the following motion and moved its adoption:

That the town vote to accept the reports of officers as they appear in the annual report, subject to corrections. A certified copy of the report to be placed on file with the town clerk. Robert Taylor seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken.

The “Ayes” were unanimous.

The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 12. Moderator Franklin swore in the following newly elected officers:

Donald Jordan Supervisor of the Checklist

Ron Eberhardt Selectman

Brad Atwater Cemetery Trustee

Mark Pensgen Library Trustee

Paul Franklin was sworn into office the morning of the town meeting on March 15, 2014

Edward Stansfield was sworn into office on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at the Town office.

Stephen Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m. seconded by Jane Stephenson.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Marsh

Town Clerk



Moderator Franklin administers the oath of office to newly elected officials.

Photo S. Halleran

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand, January 1st, 2014

Cash-checking	\$ 2,804,218
Cash-Investments	\$ 3,475
Total	\$ 2,807,693

Receipts/ transfers in during the year	\$ 7,613,967
Total available	\$10,421,660

Less Selectboard's orders/transfers out	\$7,538,790
Cash On Hand, December 31st, 2014	\$2,882,870
Cash-Checking	2,879,395
Cash-Investments	\$3,475

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Brookes-Governo, Treasurer

ONGOING AUTHORITIES Granted By Previous Annual Meetings

The town endorses the organizational structure of the two fire departments per RSA 154:1 III Article 18 1994

Authority for the Selectboard to convey real estate acquired by tax collector's deed. RSA 80:80 Article 4, 1995 town meeting

The Selectboard to apply for, accept, and expend without further action of the town unanticipated money from state, federal or governmental units. RSA 31:95-b Article 5, 1995 town meeting.

The Selectboard to accept gifts of personal property, other than cash to the municipality for any public purpose. RSA 31:95-e. Article 6, 1995 town meeting.

The Selectboard to accept, on behalf of the town, gifts, legacies and devices made to the town in trust for any public purpose. RSA 31:19. Article 7, 1995 town meeting.

Library Trustees to apply for, accept, and expend without further action of the town unanticipated money from state, federal or governmental units. RSA 202-A:4-c Article 8, 1995 town meeting.

The Selectboard to borrow funds on behalf of the municipality in anticipation of taxes. RSA 33:7 Article 9, 1995 town meeting.

The Selectboard to accept the dedication of any street shown on a subdivision plan approved by the Planning Board. RSA 674:40 Article 10, 1995

Library Trustees to accept gifts, legacies and devices made to the town in trust for any public purpose. RSA 202-A:4-d Article 15, 2006 town meeting.

Selectboard to appoint a Treasurer to an annual term as allowed by RSA 41:26-e. Article 7, 2010 town meeting.

Selectboard to appoint a Tax Collector to a term of three years as allowed by RSA 41:2, 41:33 and RSA 669:15. Article 9, 2013 Town Meeting

Further the Selectboard is named agents to expend for nine funds:

The Library Building Repair Fund created in 1992.

The Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994.

Town Hall Repair Fund created in 1996.

Town Revaluation Fund created in 1993, authority 2002.

Town Building ADA Access Fund created in 2003, authority 2003.

Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006, authority 2008.

Townsend Bridge Fund created in 2006, authority 2006.

Town Beautification, Operation Fund created in 2009, authority 2009.

Police Department Equipment Fund created in 2011.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS-March 2014

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive.....	\$ 182,750
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics.....	5,130
Financial Administration.....	68,700
Revaluation of Property	11,000
Legal Expense	4,100
Personnel Administration.....	4,700
Planning and Zoning	1,200
General Government Buildings.....	7,025
Cemeteries.....	25,000
Insurances.....	35,100
Advertising and Regional Expense	5,100

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department.....	348,848
Ambulance	26,500
Fire Protection.....	94,000
Emergency Management.....	250
Dispatch and Forest Fire Expense	26,100

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS-March 2014 (con't)

Building Inspection	7,400
HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES	
Highways and Streets	680,900
Road Projects	98,800
Street Lights	8,000
SANITATION	
Garbage Collection.....	150,000
Solid Waste Disposal	44,810
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	
Health Department	18,370
Pest Control.....	500
WELFARE	
Welfare Department	5,250
CULTURE AND RECREATION	
Recreation Commission	19,165
Libraries	117,658
Patriotic	1,000
Conservation Commission	500
DEBT SERVICE	
Principal on Long-term debts	25,000
Interest on Long-term debts	4,847
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL	\$2,025,306
CAPITAL PURCHASES	
Article 5 Roadside Mower	55,000
Article 6 Replacement truck body.....	21,000
TOTAL CAPITAL PURCHASES.....	\$76,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT TO RESERVES	
Article 4 Transportation Improvement Fund.....	55,000
Article 4 Highway Vehicle Fund.....	50,000
Article 4 Highway Bridge Fund	5,000
Article 4 Revaluation Fund	20,000
Article 4 ADA Access Fund.....	5,000
Article 4 Gravel Reclamation Fund.....	\$5,000
Article 4 Town Hall Repair Fund.....	5,000
Article 4 Library Repair Fund	2,500
Article 4 Police Equipment Fund	5,000
TOTAL TO RESERVES	\$152,500
TOTAL TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATIONS	\$2,253,806

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land, improved and unimproved	\$75,908,460
Buildings	186,605,600
Public Utilities.....	6,983,000
Total value before exemptions	\$269,497,060

Blind Exemption	47,000
Elderly Exemption	1,265,700
Total and Permanently Disabled Exemption	176,200
Solar Energy Exemption	532,825
School/Dining/Kitchen Exemption (town vote) 80%.....	5,184,449
School/Dining/Kitchen Exemption (state law).....	150,000
Total exemptions allowed	\$7,206,174

Net value used for local tax rate.....	\$262,140,886
Net value used for state education rate	\$255,157,886
(local tax rate value less utilities)	

Electric Utility Property detail

Liberty Utility.....	\$1,878,100
New England Power Company	\$2,628,600
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative	\$1,466,400
Public Service of NH.....	\$1,009,900

WAR SERVICE CREDITS

Total and Permanently Disabled Veterans	\$2,800
Standard Exemptions (\$500/veteran)	\$54,465
Total war service credits.....	\$57,265

CURRENT USE REPORT

Land Categories	Acres
Farm Land	3,000
Forest Land.....	23,717
Unproductive Land.....	528
Wetlands.....	801
Total acres in current use (includes conservation restrictions)	28,046

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Total Town Appropriation		\$2,253,806
Total Revenues and Credits	less	933,068
Overlay	add	60,637
War Service Credits	add	57,265
A) Net Town Appropriation	Equals	\$1,438,640
Net Local School Budget		5,584,892
Adequate Education Grant	less	669,468
State Education Taxes	less	663,165
B) Approved Local School Assessment	Equals	4,252,259
C) Approved State Education Assessment	Equals	663,165
D) Approved County Tax Assessment	Equals	836,654
Total Town, School, and County (a+b+c+d)	Equals	\$7,190,718

TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Property Taxes to be Raised	\$7,190,718
Less War Service Credits	57,765
Total Property Taxes to be Raised	\$7,133,453

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

	Prior year tax rate	Approved year tax rate
Town	5.12	5.49
County	3.21	3.19
School local	16.45	16.22
School state	2.72	2.60
Combined tax rate	\$27.50	\$27.50
Net value on which local tax rates are computed	\$259,904,713	\$262,140,886
Net value on which state tax rate is computed (Net local value less utility valuations)	\$252,921,713	\$255,157,886

TAX EXEMPT PROPERTIES

CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

Community Baptist Church& parsonage	\$726,800
First Baptist Church& parsonage	473,700
Meriden Congregational Church& parsonage	1,263,000
Connecticut Valley Christ Community Church	3,008,100

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Kimball Union Academy (state law educational prop)	27,698,600
Kimball Union Academy (state law dorm, kitchen, dining prop)	150,000
Kimball Union Academy (town vote) 100%.....	6,480,561

CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

New England Wildflower Association.....	280,100
Plainfield Historical Society.....	152,400
Singing Hills Conference Facility	2,238,600

PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

The Nature Conservancy.....	26,700
Meriden Volunteer Fire Department	257,400
Meriden Village Water and Sewer District.	801,900
Plainfield Village Water District.....	333,800
Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department	338,000

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Land on Stage Road	4,100
Land on River Road (multiple parcels).....	81,300
Duncan State Forest	244,400

GRANGES

Blow-Me-Down Grange.....	398,800
Meriden Grange	180,200

LAND OWNED BY OTHER TOWNS

Cornish.....	5,700
Grantham.....	28,400

TOTAL EXEMPT PROPERTIES \$41,079,198

SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED LAND AND BUILDINGS

DESCRIPTION and VALUATION

Plainfield Town Hall	\$312,100
-Meriden(includes Police Dept.)	467,400
Libraries –Plainfield	1,078,100
-Meriden.....	285,500
Highway Garage.....	324,300
Plainfield Elementary School	3,910,500
Burnaps Island.....	45,100
Plummer Road land 6.3 acres.....	14,200
Stage Road land .6 acre	20,300

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED LAND
AND BUILDINGS (continued)**

Dump Lot	36,300
Gravel Pit	168,900
Spencer Lot	203,200
Whitaker Road Intersections	8,600
Tallow Hill Intersection.....	2,600
French’s Ledges	132,100
Benson Donation	214,900
Victor Hewes Ball Field	206,600
Thompson Donation (Moulton Cemetery)	47,600
Farnum Lot	155,200
Town Pound	6,200
School Street Land	68,200
Meriden Covered Bridge Lot.....	12,000
Sumner’s Falls Ledges	7,800
Stage Road Land	16,500
Hedgehog Road Land.....	11,700
TOTAL	\$7,755,900

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The state has made a new rule regarding title exempt vehicles. Beginning January 1, 2015 all year 2000 models and newer will require titles. They have done away with the 15 year rule. Please keep this in mind when you are purchasing used vehicles by private party. You **will** need the title if the vehicle is a model 2000 or newer.

You may have noticed the new look to the trash and recycling schedule. I am hoping it is easier to follow. Let me know what you think.

A reminder that we are now boat agents. The state will still send the renewals but you can come to our office to process them. The fee will be \$5.00 more than what the state charges for processing fees.

Please remember to renew your dog licenses, the deadline is April 30, 2015.

Thank you all for the opportunity to serve as your town clerk.

Michelle Marsh

Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR
Fiscal Year ending December 31st 2014

-Debits-

Uncollected Taxes

	2014	2013
Beginning of fiscal year		
Property taxes		\$366,599.66
Timber yield tax		\$0
Land use change tax		\$2,360
Excavations		\$0
Property tax credit balance	(\$283.42)	

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property taxes	\$7,134,650
Land use change taxes	\$19,250
Yield taxes	\$14,101
Excavation taxes	\$64

Overpayments

Property taxes	\$3,812	
Interest collected on delinquent taxes	\$3,787	\$22,715

TOTAL DEBITS

\$7,175,380 **\$391,675**

-Credits-

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year

Property taxes	\$6,825,940	\$200,315
Land use changes taxes	\$19,259	\$312
Excavation	\$64	\$0
Timber yield taxes	\$14,101	\$3,078
Interest on taxes	\$3,787	\$21,066
Converted to liens (principal only)	0	\$168,332
Prior year overpayments assigned		

Abatements Granted During Fiscal Year

Property taxes	\$212
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Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year

Property taxes	\$314,707
Timber Yield Tax	0
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$2,680)

TOTAL CREDITS

\$7,175,380 **\$391,765**

TAX COLLECTOR'S LIEN REPORT
December 31st 2014

	-Debits-		
Unredeemed Liens	2013	2012	2011+
Beginning of year	\$0	\$117,051	\$156,984
New liens	\$181,587		
Interests/Penalties	\$1,593	\$12,941	\$21,000
TOTAL DEBITS	\$183,180	\$129,992	\$177,984

	-Credits-		
Remittance to Treasurer			
Redemptions	\$33,544	\$31,969	\$75,361
Interest/Penalties	\$1,593	\$12,940	\$21,001
Unredeemed liens	\$148,043	\$85,082	\$81,622
TOTAL CREDITS	\$183,180	\$129,992	\$177,984

REPORT OF WOOD OR TIMBER CUT
Year ending March 31st, 2014

Total reports filed	11
Total yield tax assessed	\$14,101
Softwood cut, MBF	752,595
Hardwood cut, MBF	217,004
Cordwood cut, cords.....	217
Pulpwood/chips, tons.....	2164
Pulpwood, cords	0
Whole tree chips, tons	7525

Respectfully Submitted,
Judith A. Belyea,
 Yield Tax Agent

SELECTBOARD REPORT -2014

It doesn't seem possible that another year has passed and another annual Selectboard Report is due. Thanks to our hard working town employees, Plainfield remains well run and efficient in providing many needed services. Thanks as always go out to the professionals who serve us as well as to the many volunteers who contribute their time for the betterment of Plainfield. As is customary, what follows are brief updates of the Selectboard's activities during the prior year (in no particular order).

- Recreation Department Trails Director and New Groomer- To continue what has become an Upper Valley Treasure, the Selectboard appointed Bill Knight to become the town's "Trails Director". This will bring the trails program, centered around the Plainfield Elementary School (PES), under the umbrella of the town's Recreation Department, led by Dan Cantlin, (Rec. Director). The Board feels strongly that the trails program currently underway is one of the brightest developments in Plainfield in a great while. Also, with 100% donated funds the town purchased a new snow groomer to better maintain the myriad cross country ski trails around PES.
- Emergency Response Trailer- With grant monies secured from Fed. and State sources as well as Plainfield's own investment an "Emergency Response Trailer" has been put into service for the town (summer 2014). This trailer is stocked with signs and other equipment to better respond to any emergency, be it highway, police and/or fire related.
- Municipal Dump Truck Body Swap- The highway crew led by Road Agent Collins completed a swap of dump truck bodies on one of our newer town trucks. A so called "municipal style" body was added to become a combination dump and sander body. The project approved at Town Meeting was completed in time to make an impact on winter work for 2014/2015. This brings the number of so equipped trucks to two in our fleet. This upgrade has proven to be a significant upgrade to the Highway Department's efficiency and reliability.
- Fire Chief Stipend Implementation- The Fire Chief is now a paid position in town. Chief Currier has become a regular contributor to the Selectboard meetings and he continues to bring the Meriden and Plainfield Associations together to serve the entire town so well. Our sincere thanks go out to both departments for their dedication to service and to Frank's efforts with both village departments.
- New Roadside Mower Into Service- The newly acquired mower with all its capabilities has been highly successful in improving the roadside mowing program. From its safer operation to its extended reach the machine looks to be a nice addition to the tool kit of highway maintenance.
- Many Expensive Repairs to Highway Equipment- While success abounds in the Highway Department, it was also a year for major repairs to equipment as well. Two big trucks saw costly repairs and so too did the 590 Case backhoe. One of the largest parts on this digging machine, known as the boom, was replaced at a

cost of nearly \$6000. This is either due to extensive wear and tear or old fashioned bad luck.

- Libraries- The Selectboard continues to support our unified library system approved at Town Meeting some years back. We do not favor a return to the previous two board system. There appears to be some difficulties with the current system mostly due to the personalities involved. An reversion to the old way of doing things does not seem to be the best solution to continue our strategy of cohesion and unity in town services.
- Solid Waste and Recycling Update- While there was lots of talk of going to a “toter” trash and recycling container system, our contractor, Casella, has backed away from an attempt at complete a changeover. It appears that some changes and adjustments to our current system will come in time, just not in the ways that we had been anticipating.
- River Road Phase 1- Along with brush clearing and drainage upgrades, a portion of River Road was topped with a new coat of pavement in 2014. The remainder is of the road is scheduled for completion in 2015. This road, along with Brook Road, continues to be a great challenge for the town to keep well maintained.
- Croydon Turnpike Drainage- The upper portion of Croydon Turpike saw some substantial upgrades to deal with drainage and the driving surface. Some timely tree clearing coupled with this work have already made quite a difference along this road.
- Penniman Road- The road from Stage Road to Cornish Stage Road (Penniman) is in need of some significant work. A portion of it will actually need to be excavated and re-graded to handle moisture issues. We had hoped to get started in 2014, but decided that delaying work until 2015 would allow for more complete repairs to happen.
- Human Services Update- We would like to commend our Human Services Director, Stephanie Schell, for her tireless efforts in providing assistance to the town’s neediest citizens. Mrs. Schell has tackled the job with creativity and compassion and has expanded programs to meet the needs of many people in town. If you know of anyone in need of help, do not hesitate to contact her through the Town Office.
- Highway Engineering Work and Gravel Testing- The Selectboard has begun to use a local engineer who formerly worked for the State of NH, Jeff Albright, to assist us with many highway related issues. One of the most interesting is the town’s gravel and other pit products. As we have discovered, our roads are built of material that is often too fine a material and is in need of additional stone to “sweeten” our gravel. We appreciate the help from a very qualified individual, and will continue to tap this resource.
- Dust Control and Road Salt Maximization Programs- At the recommendation of a neighboring town, Plainfield is implementing a new program to use new products to both improve the road surfaces (dust control) and improve road salt effectiveness. A product known as magnesium chloride will be purchased

through a contractor to accomplish these improvements. The benefits will also be in labor savings and cost controls.

- Federal Government Property Sale- The Selectboard, along with our Town Councilor, have been applying pressure on the IRS and other Federal officials to complete the sale of a tax delinquent property on Center of Town Road. This property is nearly \$200K in arrears with the town property taxes and continues to deteriorate and lose value. It is also an attractive nuisance property that needs to be brought back into usefulness for a future property owner and the town's tax base.
- Highway Garage Facility Management and Upgrades- As a result of a request to install solar panels on the highway garage roof from our Energy Committee, it has become apparent that the building is in need of some upgrades. The Selectboard has approved using an engineer to evaluate the most pressing needs for the building and that would appear at least installing a new roof on the building with additional structural enhancements and insulation upgrades.
- Vermont Gun Range Issues- The Selectboard has been actively assisting residents on Ferry Hill Road and Carvel Lane in dealing with excessive use of a gun range on the VT side of the CT River. It is without question that the Plainfield residents, within earshot of this facility, are being adversely affected by the excessive use of the facility. So far officials in VT have been responsive and we appear to be working towards some kind of solutions to mitigate the negative impacts to our Plainfield citizens.

Please join us for one of our bi-monthly meetings (on the first and third Wednesdays of each month). Or call the Town office at 469-3201 to express an opinion. If you have questions, comments or problems please let us know. Also, please note that there is always a need for volunteers to serve Plainfield in many different ways. Here is hoping for good weather in 2015!

See you at Town Meeting,

Rob Taylor, Judy Belyea, , Ron Eberhardt



**Jane Stephenson receiving the Stephen H. Taylor Award
Photo S. Halleran**



**Library Employee Sarah Gillens participating in an fire extinguisher safety
training course taught by Fire Chief Frank Currier Photo S. Halleran**

REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

As directed by the Selectboard the town office worked on the following projects during 2014:

Emergency Response Trailer: The town was recipient of a Homeland Security Grant to fund 50% of a small enclosed trailer stocked with emergency response equipment. Barricades, road closed signs, traffic cones, etc. The trailer is stored at the Plainfield Fire Station and is also available for all town functions, such as Spirit Day, town elections and the Fourth of July parade.

Toter Test Program: Using the cooperation of Center of Town Residents a test program was run over the summer to help gauge as to whether or not going to a uniform garbage / recycling container would be a good fit for Plainfield. The test program had more favorable results/comments than was expected. At this time a phased in approach to the toters is likely, starting first with the recycling portion of the program. This change could occur as early as the summer of 2015, but more likely in 2016.

Ski Groomer: The cross country ski group, was able to secure a grant to purchase a second grooming machine. The funds for this new machine were taken in and dispersed by the town. Like the first groomer, this second one is a piece of town owned equipment that is inventoried as part of the Recreation Department.

Highway Department Generator: The highway garage facility now has a standby generator capable of running the entire building for an extended period of time. This project has been a priority for a number of years and was finally accomplished this year.

Highway Garage Roof: Utilizing some of the building expertise on the Energy Committee a complete evaluation of the condition of the highway garage roof is underway. The work under consideration is to fortify existing trusses to make them compliant with the current building code. Likewise planning for the replacement/repair of the existing metal roof is part of this work. The roof does not leak, but it is near the end of its expected life.

Solar Zoning Ordinance: Assisted the Planning Board with the development of a draft zoning ordinance for voter consideration that would provide a basic framework for regulating solar projects that are either large scale or have the potential to impact neighbors due to the size of the lot they are to be located on. If approved, most residential solar installations will not require any land use approvals other than a building permit.

Community Tree Lighting Dedication: In partnership with Kimball Union Academy the annual tree lighting ceremony held on KUA property at the intersection of Main Street and Route 120 was dedicated to the memory of David Chellis. A stone with David’s name on it was placed at the base of the tree in honor of all he meant to this community.

Stephen Halleran, Town Administrator

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

During the year the zoning board **GRANTED** the following appeals:

Case 2014-01 Blow-me-down Snowriders: RSA 674:41 Practical difficulty new warming hut Goodwin Road.

Case 2014-02 Pricilla Wheeler: Restaurant #1097 Route 12A

Case 2014-03 Richard and Diane Caruso: Accessory dwelling unit, #5 Whitney Road.

Case 2014-05 #7 Bean Road LLC, Multifamily Dwelling #7 Bean Road (replaces13-03)

Case 2014-06 Thomas Lappin, Restaurant #119 Bean Road (replaces 13-03)

Case 2014-07 David Langford, Area variance #268 Methodist Hill Road

Submitted,
Richard Colburn, Chair Zoning Board

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Zoning Administrator: Stephen Halleran 469-3201
Building Inspector: David Lersch 381-1929

Permits for the following projects were issued in 2014:

07	New single family residences	07	Renewals
02	Accessory Dwelling Unit	02	Replacement SFH
03	Commercial projects	13	Barns/Sheds/Outbuildings
04	Garages	02	Electrical upgrades
18	Renovations/Misc.	05	Additions
04	Decks/porches	16	Solar panels
10	Generators		

Permit total= 93

PLANNING BOARD

During the year the planning board approved the following applications:

Subdivision:

Spencer 1 new lot Hayward Rd
Beaupre 1 new lot Red Hill Rd

Annexations:

#7 Bean Road LLC .50 acre to land of Joseph Backman
#19 Bean Road
#19 Bean Road Restaurant use

Site Plan Review:

Plainfield Property Owners:

A recent change to RSA 674:39 allows property owners with previously merged nonconforming lots to apply to unmerge the parcels. The application must be made prior to December 31st 2016 and is made to the town's Governing Body. Contact the town office for more information.

Submitted,

Jane Stephenson,, Chair Planning Board

CONSERVATION COMMISSION DECEMBER 2014

The Plainfield Conservation Commission (PCC) is an advisory commission to the Plainfield Select Board. This year the commission concentrated on inventorying Class VI roads, continuing the education/action campaign to control invasive species, perambulated to find the boundary monuments between Grantham and Plainfield, enjoyed the annual wildflower walk in the spring and completed the conservation of the Hanchett Brook land and the land surrounding Sky Ranch Pond.

Class VI Roads Inventory You would be surprised to find a wonderful walk on some of our Class VI Roads. The PCC continues to work on the inventory of these roads with photographs and other facts about the roads unique characteristics.

House Calls Last year, we experimented with a different way to reach all community members to educate as many as possible how to manage those pesky invasive plants. Several landowners called us (or emailed) and we came to their land to walk it and investigate the vegetation to find if it is benign or invasive. Then the landowner learned the best way to manage their unwelcome guest. This containment of the invasive plant (and also insects) is good for the survival of our native wildlife.

So, make the call (469-3399 or ferguson208a@tds.net) and we'll make an appointment to help you control (you may never eradicate) the spread of invasive species.

Wildflower Walk We saw pink lady slippers, wood ducks, evidence of beaver, learned about some invasive species, and enjoyed lots of wildflowers in the month of May! If you're interested in an adventure, join us in this annual event on the beautiful land of Dave and Sue Taylor. Dave and Sue will be our generous hosts and experienced guides again this year in May.

Conservation of Hanchett Brook Poverty Lane Orchards, owned by Steve Woods of Lebanon, NH, has recently conserved approximately 100 acres of upland forest adjacent to Hanchett Brook. This upland forest is within Plainfield’s boundaries. This is a welcome addition to Plainfield’s already-conserved-in-perpetuity properties for recreation, wildlife habitat, and watershed protection.

See the following photograph of the official signing ceremony between Mr. Wood, the Town of Plainfield officials and Sara Cavin of the Upper Valley Land Trust.

Donations to the easement were made by the NH Aquatic Resource Mitigation (ARM) Fund contributing 92% and the Town of Plainfield contributing 8% of the total cost of the easement.

There will be a walk into Hanchett Brook’s forest later in the season to celebrate the conservation of this unique property. (Access to the brook from Porter Road or Black Hill Road is to be determined later.) Watch for the announcement on the town’s website and Facebook site.

Monitoring Plainfield has four, NH LCIP (Land and Community Investment Program) properties that must be monitored annually. The Town of Plainfield owns the development rights (i.e., monitors the property every year to insure the property remains in the type-of-use it was when it was conserved by the conserving landowner usually several years prior to the present).

The PCC participated in another type of monitoring this year. The boundaries of your town must be walked (aka, perambulated) periodically with the officials of the abutting towns. The purpose of this partnership is to insure no changes have occurred to the boundaries (i.e., all property markers (blazes, barbed wire fences, stone boundary walls, stone monuments, etc.)) over a designated period of time. PCC Commissioner Helen Koehler was one of the volunteer perambulators this year.

Respectfully Submitted, *Myra Ferguson*, Chair



Hanchett Brook Project being finalized

Photo M. Marsh



Dave and Sue Taylor, with another intrepid monitor (Helen Koehler), display photographic proof of an “iron pin” marking one of the boundaries of Mud Pond.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUNDS YEAR END BALANCES

Forestry Maintenance Fund	01/01/14 Beg. Balance	\$18,777
	Interest earned	\$4
Balance	12/31/14	\$18,781
Conservation Commission Fund	01/01/14	\$68,624
	Current Use Penalty Income/Interest earned	\$4,718
	Hanchett Brook Project Expenditure	\$9,000
Balance	12/31/14	\$ 64,342

RECREATION COMMISSION-2014

We finished the 2013-2014 basketball season in February. The 1st and 2nd grade group of 12 students worked on learning basic skills on Saturday mornings at the PES gym. Our 3rd and 4th grade girls group of 12 and 3rd and 4th grade boys group of 10 practiced and played several games with local towns during the season. The boys played in the Claremont tournament and the girls entered in the Hanover tournament winning a very exciting championship. The season was completed with a parents/kids game followed by great pizza from Ziggy's Pizza. Focus was put on individual skills, playing as a team, and sportsmanship. Practices and home games were held at PES. The combined groups had a total participation of 34 boys and girls.

In the spring we started our 3rd and 4th grade boy's baseball with a small group of 10. They practiced and played teams from other area towns. Home games were played on Prescott Field. Skills and sportsmanship were worked on through the season. We unfortunately were not able to field a 3/4 softball team again this year. We have had low sign-ups and efforts to combine with other towns were not successful. We will continue to try to address this issue so we can bring back softball to our town.

We ran our T-ball during late spring and early summer. Participation was at 22 1st and 2nd graders making up 2 teams and an additional 10 participants to make up our farm team. 1st and 2nd graders practiced skills and played games. The Farm Team worked on basic skills of throwing, catching, batting, and rules of the game. These teams practiced and played on Hewes Field, Prescott Field, and Cory Taber Field.

Our annual fishing Derby was held on June 7th in Blood Brook behind the Meriden Deli. We had another great turnout and again the weather was great. Trophies for first, second, and third place in each of the four age groups were handed out. Hot dogs were cooked on the grill for the kids to enjoy with drinks including McNamara Dairy Chocolate Milk, Coca Cola soft drinks and water. Ice cream cones were handed out from the Meriden Deli to all participants. We had 94 kids participate in the event and the big catch of the day was made by Lexy Miller with a trout of 13 ½". The fish were a little more challenging this year with a total of 89 fish caught during the derby. It was a lot of fun watching the excitement as the fish were hooked. I would like to give a huge thank you to our many volunteers. Thank you for the many donations from The Meriden Deli, Hy-On-A-Hill Trout Farm, N.H. Fish and Game, Coca Cola Company and Vern's Worms, and McNamara Dairy,

On August 24, our 3rd Annual Spirit Day was held. This event was an extension of our 250th celebration which was held in 2011. It is a great way to get together as a community as the summer comes to an end. Please see the separate article on this event.

The soccer program in the fall included the 3rd & 4th graders boy's team made up of 15 boys and the 3rd & 4th grade girl's team was made up of 10 girls. These two teams played other area recreation teams and practiced and played home games on Hewes Field. This group worked on individual skills, working as a team, and sportsmanship. The 1st and 2nd grade had three teams made up of 29 players. These teams practiced basic skill and played games with each other at the Cory Taber Field. We had an additional 24 kids that participated in the kindergarten group. We had a total of 78 participants in our K through 4th grade soccer program.

The 2014-2015 basketball season got started for our 3rd & 4th grade boys with a group of 8 individuals. They are working on both individual and team skills and will play games with other area towns. We were unfortunately not able to get enough 3rd & 4th girls to put a team together. This too will be looked at to determine ways to keep this going when we have low sign-ups. The 1st and 2nd grade group working on basic skills at the PES gym on Saturdays has 11 participants and started in January.

In the coming year of 2015, I look forward to continued participation in our youth programs. I will face the challenges to keep these programs going in the event that participation is low. My goal is to have everyone who wants to participate, have the availability to do so. My hopes are to provide a program that is fun and educational and to improve as we continue. I am happy to hear any input as to what we as a community are looking for to improve on what we have. Please feel free to contact me at any time with suggestions and comments.

I would like to thank all our coaches for the time they put into this program. They are the individuals that make it work. Without you, we have no program. Thank you

to the officials who helped throughout the year. Your help is very much appreciated. Thank you to anyone who has helped in any way. As we move forward I encourage everyone to take an active role where possible. Participating in your child's youth activities are both fun and rewarding.

I would like to thank the Plainfield School for the use of the facilities. Thank you to Meriden Deli, Hy-On-A-Hill Trout Farm, Ziggy's Pizza, and McNamara Dairy for your donations. A huge thank you to all our coaches, officials, and individuals who have donated their time for the youth in our community and made this program successful. I look forward to the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel P. Cantlin ,
Recreation Director

SPIRIT DAY COMMITTEE -2014

On August 24, our 3rd Annual Spirit Day was held. This event was an extension of our 250th celebration which was held in 2011. It is a great way to get together as a community as the summer comes to an end.

The event started at 5:00 pm with music provided by the band Bordersone. They played throughout the evening, a mixture of light rock, easy listening, and blues. It was a great mix of music as we enjoyed the evening festivities.

We had our corn roast with grills provided by Frank Currier, corn provided by Edgewater Farm, and butter provided by Taylor Farm. Cooking were Dustin Thibodeau, Cam Blueit, and Cody Cantlin. Another large grill was provided for all to cook any food that they had brought to the event.

Rob Taylor connected us with the ice cream trailer from Dairy Farmers of New Hampshire. A variety of flavors were served up by the Bale Busters 4H group. Frank Currier and crew were there from Plainfield and Meriden Fire departments as well as Cornish rescue squad for our safety and welcomed everyone to see the trucks and ask questions. It was great to see the crew that provide us safety throughout the year. New this year, we had a canine agility demonstration by Rivers Edge Canine Agility Group. They provided a great and fun demonstration of what they do with the many different breeds of dogs. They had a lot of information about their group and the dogs and it was amazing to watch.

We had a 50/50 raffle with the winner taking home \$85.00. The evening ended with the playing of our National Anthem and spectacular display of fireworks by Northstar Fireworks.

I would like to thank the many people who helped with this event. All the people mentioned above as well as Steve Taylor for his continued help. Thank you to Bill Knight, Marty Morgan, and Cody Cantlin for their help with setting up, cleaning up, and general help. Thank you for the use of the Plainfield School facilities where the event was held. Thank you to our Police and Fire Departments and the Cornish Rescue as well as Steve Halleran and the Plainfield Selectboard.

It was a fun evening and I hope it was enjoyed by everyone who was able to attend. This is an event we plan to continue and I hope that if you were unable to attend this past year that you can make it in 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel P. Cantlin ,

PLAINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARIES Trustees Report for 2014

This has been a busy year with many changes for Plainfield's libraries.

Both libraries are using our state-of-the-art online catalog which allows users to search the catalog and place holds from anywhere in the world with an internet connection. As the libraries have come more and more into the digital age, we are working to find ways to share between the libraries to make them more efficient – and handle increased demand. Last summer we worked with the Plainfield Police to transport books across town. We thank our police officers for their efforts.

We strive to serve our current population while planning for the expectations of the next generation of Plainfield library users. The information needs and expectations of our community and the technology to deliver that information are evolving at a rapid rate. Libraries are adapting to the changing needs of the communities they serve.

Just as the public has become more mobile and relies on more flexible work spaces, patrons want to be more mobile throughout the library. To meet that need, the board purchased four Google Chromebooks which patrons can check out and use anywhere in the libraries.

While we continue to purchase books and DVDs, downloadable ebooks and audiobooks are becoming more and more popular among Plainfield residents. Library patrons checked out 1712 of these for free in 2014.

The board gave raises to library aides that will be phased in over the next several months to bring their pay rates more in line with the regional norm.

The board would like to thank the library directors, aides, and volunteers who give countless hours to Plainfield's libraries.

We welcome and encourage interested residents to join us for our meetings. Minutes are available for your review on the town's website and on the libraries' new and updated websites.

Suzanne Spencer, chair; *Anita Brown*, vice chair; *Mark Pensgen*, Treasurer; *Nancy Liston*; *Hillary Sundell*, Secretary

Library.trustees@plainfieldnh.org



Officer Heighes helping with story time. Photo by Nancy Norwalk

Town of Plainfield Library System Proposed Budget

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Income	2014	2014	2015
Town Appropriation	\$112,649	\$104,440	\$119,506
Town Approp - FICA	\$5,009	\$4,777	\$5,143
Trust Funds	\$2,700	\$2,700	\$2,700
Gifts	\$0	\$650	\$0
Book Fines/Copier	\$0	\$1,221	\$0
Book			
Sales	\$0	\$45	\$0
Private/Grant Funding	\$0	\$370	\$0
Interest - Savings	\$10	\$1	\$10
Interest Checking	\$0	\$12	\$0
Total Interest Income	\$10	\$13	\$10
Encumbered Funds	\$4,854	\$4,854	\$4,149
Misc Income	\$600	\$221	\$600
Total Income	\$125,822	\$119,291	\$127,959
Expense	2014	2014	2015
Salaries	\$65,474	\$62,440	\$67,229
FICA	\$5,009	\$4,777	\$5,143
Sick Pay	\$1,285		\$1,285
Library Materials			
Audio/Visual	\$2,800	\$3,265	\$2,800
Books & magazines	\$13,400	\$12,429	\$13,400
Total Library Materials	\$16,200	\$15,693	\$16,200
Private/Grant Funded			
Expenses	\$0		\$0
Telephone	\$1,620	\$1,818	\$1,740
Electricity	\$4,700	\$4,221	\$4,700
Fuel	\$8,980	\$10,284	\$9,832
Water/Sewer	\$800	\$597	\$800
Supplies	\$2,300	\$2,278	\$2,300
Postage	\$500	\$415	\$500
Professional Activities	\$1,300	\$856	\$1,300
Programs	\$1,000	\$1,132	\$1,000
Furniture/Equipment	\$1,050	\$293	\$1,050
Elevator	\$1,700	\$1,155	\$1,700
Maintenance	\$4,900	\$5,186	\$5,150
Automation/Cataloging	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600
Trustee Expenses	\$650	\$345	\$650
Computer/Software	\$1,700	\$1,858	\$4,880
Misc Expense	\$200	\$147	\$900
Encumbered Funds Expense	\$4,854	\$4,022	\$4,149
Total Expense	\$125,822	\$115,094	\$127,959

Town of Plainfield Library System Proposed Budget

Other Income, Expense and Liabilities

Income/Transfers	2014	2015
Building Fund Gifts-from Friends of PRML	\$11,910	\$60,000
Transfer from Building fund-Meriden	\$5,130	\$23,450
Expense		
Building funds Expense-PRML	\$11,910	\$60,000
Building funds Expense-Meriden	\$5,310	\$23,450
Fund Balances-Year End		
Philip Read Checking	\$6,407	
Philip Read Fines Account	\$3,581	
Meriden Checking	\$1,256	
Meriden Petty Cash	\$47	
Meriden Fines and Fees account	\$579	
Building Fund Meriden		
Savings	\$12,560	
Vanguard Money Market	\$38,065	
Vanguard Windsor Fund	\$29,920	

MERIDEN LIBRARY



The mission of the Meriden Library is to provide access to information and materials (both print and non-print) to people of all ages in the community in order to meet their recreational, informational, and educational needs. The library staff will satisfy the patron's need to know and will provide a comfortable atmosphere for community interaction.

The Meriden Library holds a collection of 10,438 books, audiobooks, periodicals, and DVDs. In 2014, we added 521 new items and 372 under-circulated, worn or outdated items were removed from the collection. Our entire collection is now cataloged in the Evergreen database making the collection viewable to all residents of Plainfield through our on-line catalog.

Through inter-library loan, we borrowed 339 items and lent 208 items to other libraries throughout the state. Patrons have access to 10,035 eBooks and 8,020 audiobooks through our paid membership to the NH Downloadable Consortium. With funding from the New Hampshire State Library we provide on-line databases to patrons that give access to periodicals, newspapers and journals as well information on fiction titles for both adults and children. The Friends of the Meriden Library funded museum passes to Billings Farm and Museum, Shelburne Museum and the Vermont Institute of Natural Science. Library patrons may now check out the passes for admission to these museums.

The Meriden Library hosts on-going programs for both adults and children. Book discussions and genealogy club meet monthly. During the winter months, "Game Time" is held for adults to gather with friends and neighbors for various board games and knitters gather at the library bi-monthly. We hold a weekly story time for young children with stories, songs and art. School-aged children have been enjoying science based after school programs that are led by Brad Thompson.

Our summer reading program for children, "FIZZ, BOOM, READ" was a success thanks to community members who gave their time and energy to lead programs. Jason Downs demonstrated rockets, Tom Pasquini helped children build a paper roller coaster, Larry Wolkin read for family story hour and Paul Sanchirico led a fun lesson on gravity. We all had fun building robots and naming our summer mascot, Gizmo.

In an effort to provide comfortable space, improvements were made to our basement children's room. New windows were installed, carpet was replaced, walls were painted and shelving and furnishings were rearranged. The transformation of the children's room has given children and their families a welcoming place to spend time. Our bathroom and hallway received a fresh coat of paint making the space brighter and more attractive.

The Friends of the Meriden Library contributed time, energy and resources to support the library's mission. The Friends sponsored our summer reading kick off, "A Rock-It Science Sing-Along" with Steve Blunt and the wrap up event, a visit from the Good Humor man. In January they invited everyone to "Warm Your Winter with Soup and Good Books". The first annual kick-off to National Poetry Month was held in April and in November they sponsored a New Hampshire Humanities Council speaker, Edie Clark, to present, "Baked Beans and Fried Clams: How Food Defines a Region". In addition to sponsoring programs and funding museum passes the Friends also purchased some cheerful furnishing for the children's room.

The Meriden Library is supported by the help of many volunteers. We completed the huge project of cataloging of all of our materials by the ongoing work of dedicated volunteers, Barb Wendt, Jeanne Thompson and Fawn Goodrow. The huge undertaking of the basement project could not have happened without the help of an army of community volunteers. Books were packed and unpacked and bookshelves were removed and reinstalled all by the work of volunteers. I am extremely grateful to all of our volunteers for their support.

I also want to acknowledge the Trustees of the Town of Plainfield Libraries. Anita Brown, Nancy Liston, Mark Pensgen, Suzanne Spencer and Hillary Sundell devote countless hours to provide the leadership and governance that continues to improve our libraries.

Meriden Library Vital Statistics 2014

Circulation	10,940
Visits	6,338
Registered Borrowers	366
Programs	98
Program Attendance	1,064
Volunteer Hours	165

Respectfully submitted,
Mary S. King, Director Meriden Library



Building Robots, Meriden Library Lawn, July 2014

photo credit M. King



PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY Calendar Year 2014

A WORLD OF THANKS—In November, the Friends of the Philip Read Memorial Library held a celebration of the 10-year anniversary of the addition to the library and honoring our staff, director, and volunteers. The theme was a “World of Thanks” with tables set up with food and exhibits of various countries. Over 100 people attended. This was very special.

2014 has been a year of great achievements. The fiction collection (science, mystery, regular fiction) was integrated into one system, alphabetical by author, instead of separate groups. This makes it possible for patrons to find novels by the same author together, no matter what the genre. The large print collection was moved to another location. Much weeding has been accomplished. Automation progress has been outstanding. All items are now being checked out through the automation system. We have been fortunate to have three dependable, loyal and hardworking volunteers who have worked many hours each week to finish inputting all items in our collection into the computer system. Thank you to Jesse Stalker, Sharon Oszajca, and Alice Eberhardt.

Library Statistics: Our circulation was 11,947 with 7,885 plus an additional 346 (children’s summer plays) patron visits; 1,166 patrons used the public computers and Wi-Fi; 14,802 searches were done on the Ancestry and Heritage databases. Our automation and other volunteers worked 1,279.5 hours this year.

Programs this year were very exciting. The Summer Reading Program theme was “Fizz, Boom, Read.” Per this theme, we held several science-related programs, as well as a float (together with the Meriden Library). One really special and fun program was “Jedi Knight Training.” Star Wars fans were delighted to receive training and to have a lightsaber duel with the Jedi Master. This program was partly funded with a grant from the New Hampshire State Library’s Kids, Books, and Arts Program.

Other programs were: monthly book discussions and story time (with Diane MacDonald, Officer Billy Heighes, Mrs. Santa Claus); together with the Meriden Bird Club, a showing of the film “Sanctuary: a Bird Masque” (a performance at the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site); a presentation of a new cookbook written by Molly Sheehan; a series of felting classes by Brian East and Amy Rawson; fly Fishing and casting with Steve Rowe; a showing of the film “Last Call” an environmental film featuring the late Donella and Dennis Meadows, former Plainfield residents; author readings with Ruth Whybrow and Jessica Landers; plays by the Momentum Theater; a celebration of “The Wizard of Oz” on its 75th anniversary. On Halloween, 180 scary people came through for refreshments and goody bags.

The Book Discussion Group read “Life, Love and Elephants” about a woman in Africa who is working to save the elephants. As a result, the group adopted an orphaned elephant through a fostering program operated by the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust.

In honor of Plainfield Village’s late non-flying raven, Edgar, our contribution to the Pumpkin People was Edgar Allen Poe writing his famous poem “The Raven,” with Edgar looking over his shoulder (designed by Sarah Gillens).

The Friends of the Philip Read Memorial Library raised additional funds to finish the downstairs level (book sale, raffles, Maxfield Parrish Print Sale, etc.). It is close to completion. Lighting, walls and ceilings are all in. Painting was finished with the labor donated. The new meeting room is heavily used with library programming and meetings by ten local groups. The library is hosting monthly foot clinics by the Connecticut Valley Health Care. The Friends continue to raise funds for the bookcases, flooring and miscellaneous furniture. The entire library addition would not have been possible without the Friends' support and fundraising. The community owes a big Thank You to this group.

Thank you to Des Hudson who has been our volunteer computer guru for the past ten years. Volunteering an average two hours a week, he has been a wonderful help by installing, updating, and keeping our public and staff computers operating correctly. Des has saved the staff and I much time. We miss him.

Thank you to the Plummer family for donating an outside bench in honor of their mother, Doris Plummer. She was a longtime librarian of the Philip Read Memorial Library. Brian East donated a sculpture of "Griselda" (a Maxfield Parrish painting) made from willow and goldenrod. Thank you to the seventh graders (during the Beaupre Community Day) and the students at the Estabrook School for needed outdoor work. Thank you to Jeanne Hines for writing a successful grant from the Tasker Bridge Fund to purchase sign language DVDs. Thank you to the volunteers who help at the desk and other library tasks (Shirley Hudson, Cindy Heath, Kathy Wright, Hillary Sundell, David Roberts, Kate Cricco and the Friends).

The old lights in the original rooms were replaced with energy efficient lighting to match the lighting in the addition, and the ceilings painted.

I again took part in World Book Night, distributing free books to the community on the same night that over 6,000 volunteers across the country were participating. The staff and I had training from the State Library on e-books and downloadable audio. We also attended fire extinguisher training provided by the town.

We said good-bye to Suellen Leugers who has retired after two years at the library. Thank you Suellen. We welcome Sarah Gillens as our new staff member. Ruth Stalker, long time staff member, is very much appreciated.

The Philip Read Memorial Library has much to offer. For your pleasure, we have books, magazines, DVDs, audio books, museum passes, public computers and Wi-Fi, interlibrary loan access (from all libraries in the state), downloadable e-books and audio, special collection items and genealogy research.

Thank you to all our volunteers. The community wouldn't have such a vibrant library without you.

Nancy Norwalk, Library Director

REPORT OF THE PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT- 2014

As I have mentioned in previous years, I value the town report and consider it to be our formal preservation of history for the department. This year was a steady year for the Police. The department arrests increased from 47 (last year) to 70. We have seen a small increase in crimes against persons, with a larger increase in crimes against property. I would attribute this increase due to the recent drug usage around the Upper Valley. I am thankful for the continued community support. Reporting observations goes a long way in helping to protect our community.

The department continues to cover 24/7 with the same staffing; Sgt. Matthew Foss, Ofc. William Heighes and myself as the three full time officers. Officer's Matthew Agan and Lawrence Dore as the part time officers.

Crime Reports:

Group A. Crimes Against Persons	15	vs.	14	previous year
Against Property	76	vs.	67	previous year
Against Society	3	vs.	3	previous year
Group B.				
Crimes	60	vs.	48	previous year

Traffic – Motor Vehicle Enforcement:

Year 2012: 757 Year 2013: 932 Year 2014: 803

I would attribute the decrease due to the price of fuel and our personnel changes.

Average Speed over speed limit 17. Of the total stops, the following is a breakdown of the disposition:

Summons/Citation=Court Action	69
Warning	724
Arrest	10

Accidents:

A total of 77 accidents were reported to dispatch in 2014 vs. 54 in the previous year.

These are all reported crashes to include slide off's. 52 of these calls required State Accident Reports be filed. The following is a breakdown of those calls

15.6% had some type of Injuries	51 % occurred in daylight hours
51.1% Indicate weather related events	15.5% were out of state drivers

Collision with:

17.9%	Struck another motor vehicle
39.2%	Struck a fixed Object
21.6%	Struck an animal
3.9 %	Struck a pedestrian

In closing again I would like to thank the Community as well as the Selectboard for their continued support.

Paul M. Roberts Chief of Police

Police Department Statistical Data for the last four years

EVENT	2011	2012	2013	2014
DWI	4	6	5	11
Assault	3	4	7	4
Sexual assault	2	6	2	0
Firing of weapons	4	12	15	10
Theft	57	29	22	30
Fraud	31	23	19	18
Domestic violence	15	19	19	17
Intoxication	1	9	5	2
Bad checks	9	7	4	19
Drugs	11	6	7	0
Disorderly conduct	6	5	6	3
Criminal mischief	12	12	24	10
Auto theft	2	2	0	0
Criminal threats	4	1	7	4
Arson-Fire Invest.	1	0	0	2
Burglary	11	17	9	1
Sex Offender Reg.	10	11	3	5
Pistol Permits	27	34	52	39
Court Appearance	19	28	15	37
Administrative	72	73	146	245
Burning Permits	278	232	262	198
Alarms	132	102	75	64
Animals	111	94	143	71
Medical Emer.	48	49	67	203
Fire calls	52	46	66	54
Motor vehicle	70	69	77	80
Suspicious persons	153	147	134	151
Trespassing	8	8	9	6
Missing person	7	2	0	2
Motorist assist	64	76	83	68
Civil	16	7	14	25
Open doors	21	12	13	1
House/Property	88	602	521	595
Assist other PD'S	62	49	43	100
Accidents with injury	11	17	12	14
Accidents no injury	62	61	68	78
E 911 calls	24	23	13	16
Unattended Deaths	1	1	1	3
Juvenile Matters	11	8	6	5
Car Unlocks	21	30	17	17
Auto Repo's	4	2	1	0
Totals	3807	3434	4845	5904

MERIDEN & PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief's Report

Calls for assistance were down this past year by about 30% for both departments. The drop is attributed to two categories, fewer requests for mutual aide and no major weather incidents. No major ice or snow storms or major flooding which brings down trees and power lines or floods roads. Both departments continue to train twice a month including the use of training aides from the state fire academy such as the fire trailer for live fire training and the propane fire simulator. Members of the fire departments spent a total of 729 hours at emergency calls and 898 hours in training. In addition to this time Meriden had three members (John Butler, Dorian Rondeau and Walter Scott) complete both the New Hampshire Firefighter Level I and career level II courses put on at the fire academy, which involved about another 300 hours per person. Meriden put its new utility truck into service in 2014 with upgrades to the body including new light bar, side and rear strobes, 5.5kw generator and a four head halogen light tower for scene lighting. The cascade system was moved from the ladder truck to the utility truck to make it more useful. The roof of the station was painted this year and new equipment lockers were installed for the KUA Fire Brigade.

The Plainfield Fire Department is in the process of building a back up Emergency Operations Center in their station as a back up to the one in the Meriden Town Hall in case that one should become inoperable during a major emergency. At this point we have installed counter top work surfaces ,two computer work stations ,a 32" flat screen television to monitor the news and weather, and six phone lines all at no cost to us through donations. All but one of the donations came from companies or individuals from out of town. Plainfield is also working on a replacement chassis for their utility truck which was manufactured in 1988 and bought used ten years ago. The utility body would be removed from the old chassis and installed on the new one in a similar manner as Meriden's.

Both departments continue to do fundraising to help keep our budget requests to the town as low as possible. Meriden has its wild game dinner and Plainfield has seven dinners and the July 4th bar-b-que. Your participation helps keep taxes down and gives you a great social venue as well as a great meal.

We had one major structural fire this year which was complicated by lack of an exact location for the fire and the driveway was not marked with a 911 number. We have had several calls this year where there was no number on the drive or house and it delayed our response time. State law requires 911 marking on all properties; if yours is not marked please do so.

	PVFD	MVFD		PVFD	MVFD
Alarm Activations	16	27	CO Alarms	00	03
Auto Accidents	07	08	Brush Fire	02	04
Vehicle Fire	01	01	Unattended Burn	00	01
Lightning Strike	00	00	Dryer Fire	02	01
Structure Fires	02	02	Mutual Aid given:		
Trees/wires	06	05	Cornish	02	02
Furnace Problem	00	00	Lebanon	01	02
Chimney Fire	02	03	Hartland	00	00
Sprinkler Activations	00	01	Enfield	00	01
Assist PD	00	03	Ascutney	01	00
Explosion	01	01	Kitchen Fire	01	01
			Medical Assist	01	00

Frank Currier, Chief



Memorial Service for Chief Peter Berry

Photo S. Halleran

MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT PROPOSED BUDGET

	2014			2015
RECEIPTS	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET
TOWN APPROPRIATION	\$44,500	\$44,500	\$0	\$44,500
<u>OTHER SOURCES</u>				
CORNISH FAIR TICKETS	\$3,250	\$3,863	\$613	\$3,250
SPRING DINNER – 2015	\$0	-\$455	-\$455	\$3,500
SPRING DINNER - 2014	\$3,500	\$4,288	\$788	\$0
DONATIONS	\$4,000	\$5,279	\$1,279	\$3,500
DONATIONS - KUA BRIGADE	\$1,000	\$565	-\$435	\$500
BRIGADE ACCOUNT INTEREST	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$1
FOREST FIRE PAYMENTS	\$1,000	\$0	-\$1,000	\$500
MISC	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
SUBTOTAL	\$12,750	\$16,041	\$3,291	\$11,251
GRAND TOTAL	\$57,250	\$60,541	\$3,291	\$55,751
	2014			2015
OPERATING EXPENSES	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET
TELEPHONE	\$520	\$503	\$17	\$520
ELECTRICITY	\$700	\$824	-\$124	\$1,200
SEWER	\$240	\$240	\$0	\$240
HEATING OIL	\$2,500	\$2,796	-\$296	\$2,250
INSURANCE	\$8,000	\$7,650	\$350	\$8,000
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$10,150	\$5,201	\$4,949	\$11,150
COMPUTER EXPENSES	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$250
OFFICE SUPPLIES + PUBLICATIONS	\$500	\$424	\$76	\$500
GAS, DIESEL	\$1,600	\$1,802	-\$202	\$1,600
DUES / PERMITS / FEES	\$400	\$454	-\$54	\$500
TRAINING	\$3,000	\$3,890	-\$890	\$3,000
FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	\$7,300	\$13,475	-\$6,175	\$9,800
STATION MAINTENANCE	\$3,000	\$2,837	\$163	\$2,000
UNIFORMS	\$1,000	\$711	\$289	\$1,000
VACCINATIONS/PHYSICALS	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$100
ANNUAL REPORT FEE	\$75	\$75	\$0	\$75
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500
STATION EQUIPMENT	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
FIREFIGHTER MILEAGE	\$2,000	-\$75	\$2,075	\$2,100
KUA BRIGADE	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$501
HAZMAT ASSOCIATION	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
MISC	\$500	\$765	-\$265	\$500
SUBTOTAL	\$49,435	\$47,073	\$2,362	\$51,786
TRANSFER TO (FROM) BRIGADE FND	\$0	\$566	-\$566	\$0
TRANSFER TO (FROM) CRF	\$7,815	\$12,902	-\$5,087	\$3,965
GRAND TOTAL	\$57,250	\$60,541	-\$3,291	\$55,751

MVFD BUDGET SELECTED LINE ITEMS

<u>EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE</u>	2014			2015
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET
ENGINE #1	\$2,500	\$120	\$2,380	\$2,500
ENGINE #2	\$2,500	\$3,385	-\$885	\$2,500
LADDER TRUCK	\$2,000	\$125	\$1,875	\$2,000
UTILITY TRUCK	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$250
THERMAL CAMERA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
LADDER TEST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
SMALL POWER EQUIPMENT	\$150	\$49	\$101	\$150
HYDROTESTS	\$400	\$863	-\$463	\$400
RADIO & PAGERS	\$1,000	\$385	\$615	\$1,000
AIR PACK	\$750	\$196	\$554	\$750
STATION EXHAUST SYSTEM	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200
FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	\$100	\$65	\$35	\$100
GENERATOR	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100
FORESTRY	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100
MISC	\$100	\$12	\$88	\$100
TOTAL	\$10,150	\$5,201	\$4,949	\$11,150

<u>FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT</u>	2014			2015
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET
FIREFIGHTER GEAR	\$3,400	\$6,023	-\$2,623	\$3,400
GENERATOR/LIGHT TOWER	\$0	\$4,326	-\$4,326	\$2,500
FOAM/COLDFIRE SUPPRESSANT	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100
GLOVES	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$100
BOOTS	\$400	\$1,396	-\$996	\$400
PAGERS/ACTIVE 911	\$1,500	\$1,417	\$83	\$1,500
HOSE	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500
FORESTRY EQUIPMENT	\$500	\$119	\$381	\$500
SMALL & MISCELLANEOUS TOOLS	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$500
MISC	\$300	\$193	\$107	\$300
TOTAL	\$7,300	\$13,475	-\$6,175	\$9,800

Note: The balance on the capital reserve account at year end was \$222,986. We spent \$13,000 in 2014 to outfit the new utility truck purchased last year, and transferred \$12,992 from operations at the end of the year.

Ken Goodrow-Treasurer MVFD

**PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
OPERATING EXPENSES & BUDGET**

EXPENSES	<u>2014</u>	<u>Actual 2014</u>
Accounting	\$350	\$425
New Equipment	\$2,000	\$1,508
New Fire Clothing	\$4,000	\$716
Travel Reimbursement	\$2,000	\$1,981
Equipment Repairs	\$3,000	\$3,335
Supplies	\$1,300	\$2,376
Electricity	\$1,200	\$1,430
Telephone	\$1,600	\$1,668
Heat/Cooking	\$5,000	\$4,487
Gas/Diesel Fuel	\$1,400	\$1,034
Water	\$350	\$256
Insurance	\$5,930	\$5,867
Schools & Training	\$500	\$25
Fees/Dues	\$300	\$475
New Tanker Loan	\$15,995	\$14,729
Haz-mat Team	\$1,000	\$1,000
Postage	\$75	\$61
Radio Frequency	\$1,000	\$978
Chief's stipend	<u>\$4,500</u>	<u>\$4,500</u>
	\$51,500	\$46,853
		<u>As of</u>
		<u>12/31/14</u>
RECEIPTS		
Grants (Title 4)	\$500	\$0
Fund Raising	\$4,500	\$4,550
Town		
Appropriation	\$45,000	\$45,000
Town Training		
Funds	\$0	\$0
Interest /Other	\$0	\$1
Donations	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>\$11,173</u>
	\$51,500	\$60,724
Note: \$5,306 came from In Memory of Peter Berry donation		
	Receipts	\$60,724
Treasurer	Expenses	<u>\$46,853</u>
<i>Ronda Robinson</i>	Balance	\$13,872

FOREST FIRE WARDEN & STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow.

This past fire season started in early April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began very dry with unseasonably dry conditions continuing through the entire month. This dry pattern continued through the first half of May. 80% of our reported fires this season occurred during this six week period. The largest fire was 24 acres, occurring in the town of Tamworth. From mid May through early September, above average rainfall kept our total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years. Late August through late September though brought a dry trend to northern areas, resulting in several deep-burning remote fires. Our fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers' fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. For more information visit www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

NH FIRE STATISTICS

<u>CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED-2014</u>		<u>TOTAL FIRES</u>	<u>TOTAL ACRES</u>	
Lightning	01	2014	112	72
Equipment	05	2013	182	144
Arson	02	2012	318	206
Misc*	35	2011	125	42
		2010	360	145
		2009	334	173
		2008	455	175

*Misc: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

A permitted fire can only be kindled between the hours of 5:00 pm and 9:00am unless it is actively raining. There is no fee for a burn permit. A complete list of fire wardens who can issue permits may be found on the town's website.

Frank Currier Plainfield Fire Warden

Cornish Rescue Squad 1974-2014
40 Years of Service to Plainfield and Cornish

Dear Members of the Plainfield Community,

Thank you to members and friends of the Plainfield community for the support shown during our annual fundraiser and the funds received by vote at your annual Town Meeting. Your financial support allows us to:

- update equipment (this year we will replace our auto extrication equipment)
- allow members to carry necessary medical supplies
- keep medical supplies updated and in stock on our rescue truck
- outfit members with protective clothing
- pay our operating costs

We are currently 23 members strong and continue to serve the two communities with first responder response prior to the arrival of the ambulance. Along with our medical calls, we provide mutual aid response and support to the Cornish, Plainfield and Meriden Fire Departments. We also provide mutual aid services when requested by other area agencies and coverage for the 3 days of the Cornish Fair. We are on call 24/7/365 and responded to 194 calls in 2014.

All members are Nationally Registered at their certification level and NH licensed. We are required to recertify every two years and have members at the First Responder, EMT B, EMT I and Paramedic level.

Please buckle your seat belts, change your smoke detector's batteries at Day Light Savings times, and be safe!

Dial 911 in the event of an emergency be it, medical, fire or police related.

If you are interested in joining, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (603)675-2002 or Gary Chilton at (603)448-7688. If you would like to take a First Responder or EMT class, please contact Jim McCarragher at (603)469-3505 for more information.

Sincerely,

Dale H. Lawrence, President

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N. H.
REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND - 2014**

NAME OF TRUST FUND	Principle Balance Begin Year	New Funds Created	Gains or Losses From Sale	Principle Balance Year End	Income Balance Begin Year	Income Earned During Year	Income Expended During Year	Income Balance Year End	Year end Account Balance
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS									
Daniels Cemetery	\$ 7,827.11		\$ 759.31	\$ 8,586.42	\$ 359.34	\$ 245.55	\$ 226.78	\$ 378.11	\$8,964.52
East Plainfield Cemetery	\$ 3,717.87		\$ 360.67	\$ 4,078.54	\$ 56.90	\$ 113.22	\$ 104.57	\$ 65.55	\$4,144.09
Freeman Cemetery	\$ 2,739.49		\$ 265.76	\$ 3,005.25	\$ 37.35	\$ 83.29	\$ 76.92	\$ 43.72	\$3,048.97
Gilkey Cemetery	\$ 391.36		\$ 37.97	\$ 429.33	\$ 6.00	\$ 11.92	\$ 11.01	\$ 6.91	\$436.24
Gleason Cemetery	\$ 26,573.75		\$ 2,577.92	\$ 29,151.67	\$ 406.48	\$ 809.26	\$ 747.40	\$ 468.34	\$29,620.00
Methodist Hill Cemetery	\$ 391.36		\$ 37.97	\$ 429.33	\$ 6.00	\$ 11.92	\$ 11.01	\$ 6.91	\$436.24
Mill Cemetery	\$ 15,703.08		\$ 1,523.36	\$ 17,226.44	\$ 240.31	\$ 478.21	\$ 441.66	\$ 276.86	\$17,503.30
Moulton Cemetery	\$ 7,898.01		\$ 766.19	\$ 8,664.20	\$ 120.80	\$ 240.52	\$ 222.14	\$ 139.18	\$8,803.38
Penningan Cemetery	\$ 1,174.07		\$ 113.90	\$ 1,287.97	\$ 17.96	\$ 35.75	\$ 33.02	\$ 20.69	\$1,308.66
Plainfield Cemetery	\$ 57,273.43		\$ 5,556.10	\$ 62,829.53	\$ 875.88	\$ 1,744.16	\$ 1,610.85	\$ 1,009.19	\$63,838.72
Raynsford Cemetery	\$ 1,565.44		\$ 151.86	\$ 1,717.30	\$ 23.95	\$ 47.67	\$ 44.03	\$ 27.59	\$1,744.89
River Cemetery	\$ 1,174.07		\$ 113.90	\$ 1,287.97	\$ 17.97	\$ 35.75	\$ 33.02	\$ 20.70	\$1,308.67
Westgate-Peterson Cemetery	\$ 978.40		\$ 94.91	\$ 1,073.31	\$ 14.96	\$ 29.80	\$ 27.52	\$ 17.24	\$1,090.55
Town Cemeteries	\$ 3,913.56		\$ 379.65	\$ 4,293.21	\$ 59.66	\$ 119.17	\$ 110.07	\$ 68.77	\$4,361.98
TOTALS	\$ 131,321.00	\$ -	\$ 12,739.46	\$ 144,060.46	\$ 2,243.56	\$ 4,006.20	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 2,549.76	\$146,610.22
LIBRARY TRUST FUND									
Meriden Library	\$ 25,242.48		\$ 2,448.77	\$ 27,691.25	\$ 191.39	\$ 762.87	\$ 700.00	\$ 254.26	\$27,945.51
Philip Read Memorial Library	\$ 72,659.80		\$ 7,048.73	\$ 79,708.53	\$ 409.87	\$ 2,191.64	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 601.51	\$80,310.04
TOTALS	\$ 97,902.28	\$ -	\$ 9,497.50	\$ 107,399.78	\$ 601.26	\$ 2,954.51	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 855.77	\$108,255.55
MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS									
Ward Christmas Fund	\$ 3,913.56		\$ 379.65	\$ 4,293.22	\$ 114.43	\$ 120.82	\$ 114.00	\$ 121.25	\$4,414.47
Ward Worthy Poor Fund	\$ 5,870.32		\$ 569.48	\$ 6,439.80	\$ 14,433.34	\$ 609.00	\$ 1,220.00	\$ 13,822.34	\$20,262.14
Ward Essay Prize Fund	\$ 3,913.56		\$ 379.65	\$ 4,293.22	\$ 825.82	\$ 142.16	\$ 200.00	\$ 767.98	\$5,061.19
Elijah Burnap Poor Fund	\$ 10,764.64		\$ 1,044.28	\$ 11,808.92	\$ 21,792.02	\$ 976.52	\$ 1,824.71	\$ 20,943.83	\$32,752.76
Earl Mower Fund	\$ 1,614.37		\$ 156.61	\$ 1,770.98	\$ 46.21	\$ 49.81	\$ 46.21	\$ 49.81	\$1,820.78
Duncan Piano Fund	\$ 1,174.06		\$ 113.90	\$ 1,287.96	\$ 1,696.76	\$ 86.11	\$ 86.11	\$ 1,782.87	\$3,070.82
Vernon Hood Fund	\$ 391.36		\$ 37.97	\$ 429.33	\$ 262.26	\$ 19.60	\$ 100.00	\$ 281.86	\$711.19
Bill Hendrick Vision Fund	\$ 1,755.63		\$ 170.31	\$ 1,925.94	\$ 1,874.10	\$ 108.87	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,882.97	\$3,808.91
Mother's & Daughter's Fund	\$ 2,191.60		\$ 212.61	\$ 2,404.20	\$ 62.73	\$ 67.62	\$ 62.73	\$ 67.62	\$2,471.82
Beulah Pickering Fund	\$ 18,264.94		\$ 18,264.94	\$ 18,264.94	\$ 28,327.82	\$ 819.18	\$ 819.18	\$ 29,147.00	\$47,411.94
Ruth F Koe Brady Camp Fund	\$ 1,001.66		\$ 97.17	\$ 1,098.83	\$ 709.74	\$ 51.33	\$ 51.33	\$ 761.07	\$1,859.90
Stage Set Fund	\$ 8,756.32		\$ 849.45	\$ 9,605.77	\$ 4,255.06	\$ 390.27	\$ 390.27	\$ 4,645.33	\$14,251.10
Mercersburg Fund	\$ 507.03		\$ 49.19	\$ 556.22	\$ 14.51	\$ 15.64	\$ 14.51	\$ 15.64	\$571.86
TOTALS	\$ 60,119.05	\$ -	\$ 4,060.27	\$ 64,179.32	\$ 74,414.80	\$ 3,456.93	\$ 3,582.16	\$ 74,289.57	\$138,468.89
TOTAL: ALL TRUST FUNDS	\$ 289,342.33	\$ -	\$ 26,297.23	\$ 315,639.56	\$ 77,259.62	\$ 10,417.64	\$ 9,982.16	\$ 77,695.10	\$393,334.66

Capital Reserve/Expendable Trust Funds

PRINCIPLE INTEREST

	Principle Balance Begin Year	New Funds Added	Funds Expended	Principle Balance Year End	Income Balance Begin Year	Income Earned During Year	Income Expended During Year	Income Balance Year End	Year end Account Balance
Revaluation Fund	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ 31,500.00	\$ 281.23	\$ 98.62	\$ -	\$ 379.85	\$ 31,879.85
Town Hall Fund	\$ 9,495.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 695.00	\$ 13,800.00	\$ 8.16	\$ 32.96	\$ 20.50	\$ 20.62	\$ 13,820.62
Bridge Reserve Fund	\$ 94,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 16,948.18	\$ 282.65	\$ -	\$ 17,230.83	\$ 116,230.83
Meriden Water Reserve Fund	\$ 110,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 111,500.00	\$ 8,674.06	\$ 845.97	\$ -	\$ 9,520.03	\$ 121,020.03
School Building Fund	\$ 123,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 63,000.00	\$ 1,985.32	\$ 291.10	\$ -	\$ 2,276.42	\$ 65,276.42
New Equipment Fund	\$ 64,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 39,000.00	\$ 1,611.90	\$ 333.69	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 945.59	\$ 39,945.59
Plainfield Water Fund	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 717.79	\$ 100.26	\$ -	\$ 818.05	\$ 34,818.05
Library Repair Fund	\$ 12,200.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 11,700.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 62.86	\$ 37.24	\$ 90.44	\$ 9.66	\$ 3,009.66
Meriden Sewer Reserve Fund	\$ 82,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 87,000.00	\$ 7,566.70	\$ 750.94	\$ -	\$ 8,317.64	\$ 95,317.64
School Spec Ed Van Fund	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 39.46	\$ 58.53	\$ -	\$ 97.99	\$ 15,097.99
Plainfield History Fund	\$ 13,900.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,900.00	\$ 2,675.63	\$ 108.07	\$ -	\$ 2,783.70	\$ 16,683.70
Cemetery Care Fund	\$ 42,350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,350.00	\$ 814.43	\$ 411.86	\$ -	\$ 1,226.29	\$ 43,576.29
ADA Access Fund	\$ 26,425.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,925.00	\$ 28,500.00	\$ 117.03	\$ 130.89	\$ 81.36	\$ 166.56	\$ 28,666.56
School Spec Ed Fund	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 2,642.53	\$ 836.81	\$ 2,344.00	\$ 1,135.34	\$ 201,135.34
Transportation Imprvmt Fund	\$ 104,500.00	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 61,500.00	\$ 98,000.00	\$ 672.94	\$ 692.22	\$ 834.25	\$ 530.91	\$ 98,530.91
School Benefits Payable	\$ 49,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 665.58	\$ 124.76	\$ -	\$ 790.34	\$ 49,790.34
Town Beauty Fund	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ 150.00
Police Equipment Fund	\$ 6,502.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,702.00	\$ 9,800.00	\$ 3.42	\$ 0.76	\$ 2.90	\$ 1.28	\$ 9,801.28
Gravel Pit Reclaim Fund	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4.99	\$ 45.42	\$ 5.00	\$ 45.41	\$ 15,045.41
Townsend Bridge & Trail Fund	\$ 4,368.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,368.00	\$ 63.93	\$ 0.02	\$ -	\$ 63.95	\$ 4,431.95
TOTAL: ALL CAP RES FUNDS	\$ 1,017,890.00	\$ 203,500.00	\$ 263,522.00	\$ 957,868.00	\$ 45,556.14	\$ 5,182.77	\$ 4,378.45	\$ 46,360.46	\$ 1,004,228.46

SELECTBOARD'S REPORT ON RESERVE FUND TRANSACTIONS

The Selectboard is named agents to expend for nine reserve funds:

- The Library Building Repair Fund created in 1992.
- The Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994.
- Town Hall Repair Fund created in 1996.
- Town Revaluation Fund created in 1993.
- Town Building ADA Access Fund created in 2003.
- Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006.
- Townsend Bridge Fund created in 2007.
- Town Beautification Fund created in 2009.
- Police Department Equipment Fund created in 2011

Deposits and withdrawals to these funds during 2014 were:

Library Repair Fund

Deposits-	\$2,500
Town meeting appropriation	
Withdrawals-	\$11,785
PL Lighting upgrade	\$7,550
ML Lock Repair	\$1,585
ML Children's room	\$2,650

Bridge Fund

Deposits-	\$5,000
Withdrawals-	\$0

Town Hall Repair Fund

Deposits-	\$5,000
Town meeting appropriation.	
Withdrawals-	\$710
MTH-Window Study	\$500
MTH –PD Electric	\$210

Revaluation Fund

Deposits-	\$20,000
Town meeting appropriation.	
Withdrawals-	\$0

ADA Compliance

Deposits-	\$5,000
Town meeting appropriation	
Withdrawals-	\$ 3,006
ML ADA Ramp Concept Design	

**SELECTBOARD'S REPORT ON RESERVE FUND
TRANSACTIONS (continued)**

Transportation Fund	Deposits	\$55,000
	Town meeting appropriation	
	Withdrawals	\$62,335
	Paving River Road	
Townsend Bridge Fund	Deposits	\$0
	Withdrawals	\$0
Town Beautification	Deposits	\$0
	Withdrawals	\$0
Police Equipment Fund	Deposits	\$5,000
	Town Meeting appropriation	
	Withdrawals	\$1,705
	ID Badge Equipment	

See the report of the trustee of trust funds for complete details on beginning and year ending balances for each of these funds.



TOWN AUDIT

The firm of Plodzik and Sanderson completed the 2014 audit in January of 2015. To conserve space in this report the following are excerpts from the audit. The full document is available both in printed form and as an electronic file, from the town office and will be posted on the town's website www.plainfieldnh.org

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Estimated	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 1,320,738	\$ 1,384,998	\$ 64,260
Yield	8,000	14,101	6,101
Excavation	-	64	64
Payment in lieu of taxes	1,000	1,000	-
Interest and penalties on taxes	45,000	46,214	1,214
Total from taxes	<u>1,374,738</u>	<u>1,446,377</u>	<u>71,639</u>
Licenses, permits, and fees:			
Motor vehicle permit fees	435,000	456,262	21,262
Other	7,000	5,215	(1,785)
Total from licenses, permits, and fees	<u>442,000</u>	<u>461,477</u>	<u>19,477</u>
Intergovernmental:			
State:			
Meals and rooms distribution	114,308	114,308	-
Highway block grant	99,490	99,848	358
State and federal forest land reimbursement	-	37	37
Other	65	846	781
Total from intergovernmental	<u>213,863</u>	<u>215,039</u>	<u>1,176</u>
Charges for services:			
Income from departments	110,000	105,083	(4,917)
Miscellaneous:			
Interest on investments	1,000	788	(212)
Rent of property	500	945	445
Other	31,715	25,043	(6,672)
Total from miscellaneous	<u>33,215</u>	<u>26,776</u>	<u>(6,439)</u>
Other financing sources:			
Transfers in	177,768	177,479	(289)
Total other financing sources	<u>177,768</u>	<u>177,479</u>	<u>(289)</u>
Total revenues and other financing sources	<u><u>2,351,584</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,432,231</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 80,647</u></u>

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Major General Fund

**Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014**

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Current:				
General government:				
Executive	\$ -	\$ 182,750	\$ 186,159	\$ (3,409)
Election and registration	-	5,130	7,343	(2,213)
Financial administration	-	68,700	67,920	780
Revaluation of property	-	11,000	13,973	(2,973)
Legal	-	4,100	8,253	(4,153)
Personnel administration	-	4,700	5,351	(651)
Planning and zoning	-	1,200	1,144	56
General government buildings	600	7,736	10,257	(1,921)
Cemeteries	-	25,000	25,851	(851)
Insurance, not otherwise allocated	-	35,100	22,076	13,024
Advertising and regional associations	-	5,100	5,235	(135)
Total general government	<u>600</u>	<u>350,516</u>	<u>353,562</u>	<u>(2,446)</u>
Public safety:				
Police	7,900	355,268	347,310	15,858
Ambulance	-	26,500	26,725	(225)
Fire	-	94,000	92,751	1,249
Building inspection	-	7,400	10,846	(3,446)
Emergency management	-	250	-	250
Dispatching	-	26,100	31,146	(5,046)
Total public safety	<u>7,900</u>	<u>509,518</u>	<u>508,778</u>	<u>8,640</u>
Highways and streets:				
Public works garage	-	22,800	22,148	652
Highways and streets	2,000	733,956	728,022	7,934
Bridges	-	98,800	98,800	-
Street lighting	-	8,000	10,356	(2,356)
Total highways and streets	<u>2,000</u>	<u>863,556</u>	<u>859,326</u>	<u>6,230</u>
Sanitation:				
Solid waste collection	-	150,000	149,893	107
Solid waste disposal	-	44,810	48,352	(3,542)
Total sanitation	<u>-</u>	<u>194,810</u>	<u>198,245</u>	<u>(3,435)</u>
Health:				
Administration	-	18,370	15,855	2,515
Pest control	-	500	495	5
Total health	<u>-</u>	<u>18,870</u>	<u>16,350</u>	<u>2,520</u>
Welfare:				
Administration	-	1,250	2,737	(1,487)
Direct assistance	-	4,000	6,884	(2,884)
Total welfare	<u>-</u>	<u>5,250</u>	<u>9,621</u>	<u>(4,371)</u>
Culture and recreation:				
Parks and recreation	-	19,165	15,845	3,320
Library	-	72,300	69,963	2,337
Patriotic purposes	-	1,000	681	319
Total culture and recreation	<u>-</u>	<u>92,465</u>	<u>86,489</u>	<u>5,976</u>
Conservation	-	500	235	265

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TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Debt service:				
Principal of long-term debt	-	25,000	25,000	-
Interest on long-term debt	-	2,450	2,424	26
Total debt service	-	27,450	27,424	26
Capital outlay	-	90,791	101,296	(10,505)
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out	-	197,858	198,649	(791)
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses, and encumbrances	\$ 10,500	\$ 2,351,584	\$ 2,359,975	\$ 2,109

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Changes in Unassigned Fund Balance (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

Unassigned fund balance, beginning	\$ 534,510
Changes:	
2014 Budget summary:	
Revenue surplus (Schedule 1)	\$ 80,647
Unexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2)	2,109
2014 Budget surplus	82,756
Decrease in nonspendable fund balance	(24,107)
Unassigned fund balance, ending (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)	593,159

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD BALANCE SHEET December 31st 2014

ASSETS:

CASH:

CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$2,879,395
INVESTMENTS	\$3,475
CASH IN TRANSITION	\$0
PETTY CASH	\$250

TOTAL CASH **\$2,883,120**

PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE \$314,707

LAND USE CHANGE TAX RECEIVABLE \$0

TAX LIEN RECEIVABLE \$314,748

TOTAL TAXES RECEIVABLE **\$629,455**

DUE FROM COMMERCIAL WASTE CHARGES \$8,108

DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS \$13,522

DUE FROM MERIDEN FIRE \$1,316

TOTAL ASSETS: **\$3,535,521**

LIABILITIES:

DUE TO CONSERVATION FUND \$9,625

DUE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS \$1,811

DUE TO LIBRARY \$4,149

PAYABLES:

SCHOOL	\$2,815,424
INVOICES	\$25,204
ACCRUED PAYROLL	\$5,146

TOTAL PAYABLES **\$2,845,774**

TOTAL LIABILITIES **\$2,857,737**

FUND BALANCE **\$677,784**

RESERVE- LUCT CURRENT YEAR (\$9,625)

RESERVE - UNCOLLECTIBLE TAXES (\$75,000)

RESERVE-TOWN HALL WINDOW GRANT (\$5,000)

RESERVE- ENERGY COMMITTEE CAR
CHARGER (\$1,000)

UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE **\$587,159**

GRAND TOTALS: **\$3,535,521**

UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE-December 31st 2013 **\$534,511**

UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE-December 31st 2014 **\$587,159**

CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION **\$52,648**

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD
SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

Outstanding bonds & loans as of December 31 st , 2014	
Philip Read Memorial Library	\$ 87,500
Total	\$ 87,500

RECONCILIATION OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding long-term debt as of January 1, 2014	\$ 112,500
New debt during the year	0
Debt retirement during the year	
Library Addition	\$ 25,000
Outstanding long-term debt as of December 31, 2014	\$87,500

**HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT/ROAD PROJECT
EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS**

2014	Block Grant Allocation	\$98,800
	Highway Transportation Fund Withdrawal	\$62,335
	Total Available	\$161,135

River Road

Culverts/drainage	\$1,705
Pike-Paving 2.2 miles	\$132,863

Total **\$134,568**

Croydon Turnpike

Culverts/drainage supplies	\$3,987
Trucking/Equipment Rental	\$12,580
Gravel	\$10,000

Total **\$26,567**

Total Expenditures **\$161,135**

FIVE-YEAR ROAD PROJECT PRIORITIES

As required by the passage of article ten at the 1998 Annual Meeting, the following represents the Selectboard's road reconstruction priorities for the next five years. Note: order of work and timing is subject to change as new information, time and available funds dictate.

Year	Road	Work
'99	River Rd	phase III-prep completion and base paving. Completed
'00	River Rd	phase IV-topcourse paving, shoulder work. Completed
'01	Jenny Rd	base reconstruction/paving Completed
'02	Daniels Rd	base reconstruction/paving. Completed
'04	Bean Rd	base reconstruction/paving. Completed
'05	Bean Rd/Westgate Culvert/drainage work.	Completed.
'06	Westgate	base reconstruction/paving. Completed.
'07	Beauty Hill Rd	base reconstruction/paving Completed.
'08	Colby Hill Rd	base reconstruction/paving Completed.
'08	Willow Brook Road	base reconstruction/paving phase 1 Completed.
'09	Freeman Road	base reconstruction Completed
'10	Freeman Road paving/Willow Brook Road	phase 2 Completed
'11	Willow Brook Road	base reconstruction/paving phase 3 Completed
'12	Main Street/Bonner Road	resurfacing. Completed
'13	Center of Town Road	resurfacing Completed
'14	River Road Pavement Shim	Phase I Completed
'15	River Road Pavement Shim/Penniman Road	resurfacing I
'16	Penniman Road	resurfacing II
'17	Ferry Hill Road	resurfacing
'18	Methodist Hill Road	resurfacing
'19	Daniels Road	resurfacing



**Cemetery Trustee Brad Atwater placing flags
for Memorial Day**

Photo M. Longacre

**2014 Turkey Trot in the Snow
Matthew Houde took home the pie**



Photo Melissa Longacre, Event Director

TOWN EMPLOYEE SALARIES -2014

Agan, Matthew	Part-Time Patrolman	\$12,792.00
Belyea, Judith	Selectwoman	\$2,350
Blish, Keith	Truck Driver	\$41,408 (includes overtime)
Brookes-Governo, Sarah	Treasurer	\$6,560
Brookes-Governo, Sarah	Election Staff	\$319
Cantlin, Daniel	Recreation Director	\$6,000
Collins, Michael	Part-Time Truck Driver	\$33,493.65
Collins III, Richard	Road Agent	\$68,914
Crane, Terri	Library Substitute – East	\$3,408
Cricco, Catherine	Library Substitute – West	\$92
Currier, Frank	Fire Chief	\$7,200
Davidson, Helen	Supervisor of Checklist	\$315
Dore, Lawrence	Part-Time Patrolman	\$850
Eberhardt, Ron	Selectman	\$1,763
Estey, Greg	Administrative Assistant	\$5,877
Estey, Lori	Library Aide - East	\$2,326
Foss, Matthew	Patrolman	\$63,645 (includes overtime)

Franklin, Paul	Moderator	\$600
Gillens, Sarah	Library Aide - West	\$2,101
Halleran, Stephen	Town Administrator	\$73,345
Heighes, William	Patrolman	\$63,189 (includes overtime)
Hudson, Shirley	Library Substitute - West	\$387
Jones, Harold	Supervisor of Checklist	\$403
Jordan, Donald	Supervisor of Checklist	\$602
Kennett, Joshua	Truck Driver	\$39,644 (includes overtime)
King, Mary	Library Director - East	\$23,726
LeMere, Jason	Truck Driver	\$41,902 (includes overtime)
Lersch, David	Building Inspector	\$8,438
Leugers, Suellen	Supervisor of the Checklist	\$290
Leugers, Suellen	Library Aide - West	\$1,451
Liebowitz, Susan	Dep Tax Collect/Twn Clerk	\$2,623
Lurie, Elizabeth	Election Staff	\$401
Marsh, Michelle	Town Clerk/Office Manager	\$46,928
Marsh, Robin	Ballot Clerk	\$418
Norwalk, Nancy	Library Director – West	\$26,562
Petrin, Tyler	Part-Time Patrolman	\$528
Reetz, Alyssa	Library Substitute – East	\$708
Roberts, Paul	Police Chief	\$66,750
Rogerson, Roanne	Ballot Clerk	\$315
Schell, Stephanie	Human Services Director	\$1,637
Serem, Jerome	Part-Time Truck Driver	\$13,729
Sicard, Brian	Truck Driver	\$46,534
Smith, Sean	Truck Driver	\$41,771 (includes overtime)
Spencer, Winston	Assistant Building Inspector	\$400
Stalker, Jesse	Trustee of Trust Funds	\$2,400
Stalker, Jesse	Library Aide – West	\$95
Stalker, Ruth	Library Aide - West	\$4,042
Taylor, Robert	Selectman	\$2,350
Wheeler, Ruthann	Dep. Tax Collect/Twn Clerk	\$108
Williams Jr, Thomas	Selectman	\$587
	TOTAL	\$772,288

HUMAN SERVICE REPORT

Dear Plainfield Community,

As the Community Resource Director I am eager to help anyone that might be having a difficult time or that might have questions about local support services. I help many different families in town with housing issues, safety issues, budget planning, applications for fuel & medical assistance, transportation issues and referrals for support services such as meals on wheels or in-house care. I help to provide food and other

necessary items to those who are in need or crisis. All the conversations and services that are provided are strictly confidential.

Our Food Pantry is now a year old and is helping many families. The Christ Community Church continues to allow the Town to use a lovely handicap accessible room to operate our food pantry. Although the Pantry is located at the church there is no affiliation or religious connection to this wonderful resource. The Pantry is well stocked with a variety of non-perishable foods, personal hygiene products and pet food. Our Food Pantry is affiliated and receives wonderful resources from the NH Food Bank. We warmly welcome anyone in town and residents of Cornish that need help getting by. The hours of operation are the 3rd Friday & Saturday of each month from 9-12 noon or when there is a serious need. Again, the Pantry is located in the Christ Community Church (Big Red Barn) on Route 12 A across from the Plainfield Fire Department. Food Assistance, however, is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

As the Community Resource Director my responsibilities include, but are not limited to dispersing aid in the form of vouchers for rent, security deposits, prevention of eviction, fuel, utilities, food and prescriptions when deemed critically necessary for health and safety reasons. An application is required to determine eligibility of services. As Director I work with many local service agencies. Here are just a few that I work closely with: Social Security Administration, State of NH Health & Human Services, Visiting Nurses Alliance, Community Alliance of Human Services, LISTEN and Southwestern Community Services in order to provide information, referrals and assistance to residents. In the year of 2014, a total of \$ 6,884.09 was disbursed to assist households in need. The Food Pantry from January-December 2014 provided 1,442 meals.

The breakdown for monies disbursed in 2014 is as follows:

Housing	\$1,423.17
Electric	\$ 365.02
Heating Fuel	\$3,642.38
Food	\$ 609.79
Medical	\$ 80.00
Summer Camp Scholarships (donations)	\$ 763.73
TOTAL	\$6,884.09

Finally, I want to thank all those local businesses, friends and neighbors who have collected food, donated food and contributed monetary gifts to the Community Resource Room & Food Pantry. With your generous donations in 2014 totaling more than \$4,750.00 children were able to attend summer camp, medications were purchased, furnaces were repaired, heating fuel was provided and food assistance was available.

Do you need assistance or know of a neighbor that could use a helping hand?

Please contact:

Town of Plainfield’s Resource Director Stephanie M. Schell

(603)469-3201

cr.director@plainfieldnh.org

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie M. Schell

Community Resource Director

HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES

Residents of the Town of Plainfield continued to have access to needed social services from the following agencies during 2014:

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE: Provides counseling and support for youth and their families, available 24 hours a day; works with court ordered juveniles, maintaining Chandler House, an emergency, temporary home for these clients. A new ride assistance program called CATS is now available to Plainfield residents PO Box 188, Newport NH 03773 **tel. 863-7708.**

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER: Provides services to senior citizens: meals, including deliveries of meals, transportation, adult day care, recreation, health screening and social services. PO Box 433 / Lebanon, NH 03766-0433 **tel. 448-4897**

HEADREST: Provides information and referrals for human services in the Upper Valley. Located at 14 Church St./ PO Box 247/Lebanon, NH 03766 **tel. 448-4872. Hotline 448-4400.**

MASCOMA VALLEY HEALTH INITIATIVE: A provider of public health services in the Upper Valley. Functions include research, education, planning and prevention activities. PO Box 102 Canaan NH 03741 **tel. 523-7100.**

SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES: Provides and administers Fuel Assistance, Commodity Foods, WIC Program, Neighbor Helping Neighbor, and Eldercare programs along with other human service type programs to eligible applicants. PO Box 1338 Claremont, NH 03743. **tel. 542-9528.**

VNAVNH/HOSPICE: Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire Medicare is a certified home care agency that provides home health services to Plainfield residents. 66 Benning Street, Suite 6 West Lebanon **tel. 1-800-300-8853.**

WEST CENTRAL SERVICES: Provides mental health and behavioral services for no or very low costs to the uninsured. West Central Services is the New Hampshire designated community mental health facility for Plainfield and all of Sullivan County. 9 Hanover Street, Suite 2, Lebanon, NH 03766 **tel. 448-0126.**

The following agencies have requested funding from our community in 2014:

Organization	Granted 2014	Requested 2015	Budgeted 2015
Community Alliance	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
GCSCC	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$2,300
Headrest	\$1,000	\$1,800	\$1,000
Mascoma Valley Health	\$1,000	\$1,778	\$1,000
SW Comm Service	\$ 475	\$ 475	\$ 475
VNAVNH	\$9,875	\$9,875	\$9,875
Volunteers in Action	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
West Central Services	\$2,310	\$2,500	\$2,310
Total	\$18,160	\$19,928	\$18,160

The Plainfield History Account

**(administered by the Philip Read Memorial Library and the Meriden Library
January 1, 2014-December 31, 2014)**

Choice White Pines and Good Land: A History of Plainfield and Meriden, New Hampshire, published in 1991, is still available. It is good reading. The libraries are in charge of selling, marketing, storing, and shipping the books. The cost is \$45; they are available at the town office, the Philip Read Memorial Library and the Meriden Library.

At Town Meeting 2000, a warrant article was passed authorizing the establishment of a capital reserve fund called the Plainfield History Fund. The fund was established with money from this Plainfield History account and, periodically, funds from sales are transferred to the capital reserve. Eventually, the Plainfield History Fund will be used to underwrite the cost of writing the next volume of Plainfield's history. See the Trustee of Trust Funds report for the balance of this fund.

Financial Report

Balance January 1		\$ 1,024.21
Income:		
Sale of books & shipping	\$	45.00
Bank interest		<u>.53</u>
Total Income		<u>\$45.53</u>
		\$1,069.74
Expenses:		
None		<u>\$0</u>
Balance December 31		\$1,069.74

Submitted

Nancy Norwalk, Co-Editor

KIMBALL UNION ACADEMY STUDY COMMITTEE

The charge of this committee is to meet with representatives of the Kimball Union Academy (KUA) administration to maintain an ongoing review of the relationship between the academy and the town, and to report its findings at annual town meeting. This year's committee held five meetings between November 2014 and January 2015.

SUMMARY OF THE COMMITTEE'S FINDINGS:

Based on all that your committee was able to learn and discuss, the committee recommends for the 2015 tax year maintaining the 80% tax exemption on Kitchens, Dining Halls and Dormitories as allowed by RSA 72:23.

The Plainfield Elementary School District (PESD) A.R.E.A. Review Committee has completed a study of the A.R.E.A. Agreement. The committee's task was to determine whether to move forward with a two-to-three year, *formal*, decision-making process to remain, or not to remain, in the agreement with Lebanon High School (LHS). The agreement states that our students must attend LHS. However, our students do have the opportunity to attend KUA if they choose to do so. The Town's choice to leave, or stay with, the A.R.E.A. Agreement (after committee deliberation) will have an impact on the KUA/Town Relationship (See the following Community Relationship section for more detail).

The Study Committee also reviewed the future location of the Meriden Post Office (see the following Community Relationship section for more detail).

KUA TAX EXEMPTION 2014/15 AND FINANCIAL AID:

1. Neither the Town of Plainfield nor the Plainfield school district pays any portion of the KUA tuition for local students.
2. KUA anticipates that the number of local students (ninth through twelfth grades) attending the school next year will be between 20-24 students. A recent on-campus opportunity for Plainfield students and their parents was held at the Plainfield School this fall as a way to insure that all students and their families have an opportunity to learn about KUA as a local educational option.
3. Six local students will graduate from KUA this year. Applications from local 8th graders are due by January 15th, therefore, the outcome of the application process will not be known prior to the writing of this report.
4. During the 2014/15 academic year, KUA provided \$349,500 in financial aid to Plainfield students attending KUA.
5. KUA property is assessed at \$31.7 million dollars, of which \$23.3 million of that figure is exempt by state law.
6. The assessed value of Kitchens, Dining Halls and Dormitories is \$6.5 million that may be exempted at the discretion of the Town's voters. At the current 80% exempt level, the property value exemption equals \$5.21 million and tax exemption equals \$143,446.
7. Last tax year, KUA paid property taxes of \$86,331 to the Town of Plainfield. This makes KUA the highest property taxpayer in the town.
8. LHS tuition is \$13,776 per student for this school year 2014-2015.
9. The 2013-2014 Plainfield School District budget would have been \$344,400 higher if the 25 students had not chosen to attend KUA.

10. At the writing of this report, the Plainfield School Board has budgeted for 80.40 Plainfield students to attend LHS next school year. That is \$1,125,118 (\$13,994 per student) designated in the Plainfield School's budget for tuition.
11. If the KUA kitchen, dormitory and dining hall properties currently under tax exemption had been taxed at the full rate this year, the Town would have received an additional \$143,500. This amount represents .55 cents on the tax rate. As an example, a home with a tax-assessed value of \$250,000, pays an additional \$140/year to off-set the discretionary tax exemption granted to KUA.

COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIP:

1. The committee is aware that the Plainfield School SAU is investigating moving to a high-school-choice (aka, A.R.E.A. Agreement) model in the coming years. It is likely that this model will include three or four high schools, including Lebanon and Hanover that local students could attend with the full tuition paid for by the district. While projections vary widely, it is generally accepted that this change will cost the district additional money. If such a system is adopted by the community, the financial implications will require further examination by the KUA Study Committee.
2. KUA has indicated that they will not continue the lease to the United States Postal Service (USPS) into the future. The academy has offered to work with the Town to insure that a post office facility remains in Meriden Village. The current lease for the post office expires in 2015, but may be renewed for another five years at the discretion of the USPS.
3. KUA is Plainfield's largest employer. More than eighty of KUA's 150 full- and part-time employees live in Plainfield.
4. Plainfield School is currently educating 17 students of KUA faculty that live on campus.
5. KUA makes its facilities available to Plainfield organizations and residents for a variety of activities and functions typically at no charge.
6. Residents are encouraged to visit the town's web site for an up-to-date listing of KUA events and happenings open to the public. Access times and directions to KUA facilities for Plainfield residents are available on the KUA website www.kua.org

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen Beaupre, Robert Blake-KUA, Eric Brann, Betsy Dnany, Myra Ferguson, Christian Forman-PCS School Board, Robyn Hadlock, Steve Halleran-Town Administrator, Rob Hewett-Chair, Pamela Miller, John Yacavone,.

Plainfield KUA Study Committee 2014/15

ENERGY COMMITTEE 2014

As 2013 came to a close, the Plainfield Energy Committee (PEC) learned that we had received a grant from the New England Grassroots Environment Fund to commission an expert evaluation of our Meriden Town Hall windows, and that Plainfield had been selected to participate in the “Solarize Upper Valley” program administered by Vital Communities. These two circumstances launched us into a very busy and productive year.

Municipal Buildings Energy Upgrades

Meriden Town Hall: The windows project is one piece of the work on this building that began with an energy audit in 2011 and continued with a series of projects accomplished in 2013, including programmable thermostat installation, replacing an unused exterior door with an insulated wall, hot water pipes insulation, boiler servicing and installation of an indoor/outdoor temperature sensor. Calculation of energy use over the last two years shows a 34% decrease in gallons of oil used, adjusted for weather.

Using the Environment Fund grant, S.A. Fishburn, Inc. was hired to assess the Town Office windows and give us some estimates regarding their restoration both for maintenance and energy efficiency. (See Town website Energy Committee page for report.) Ms. Fishburn also conducted a Wood Window Restoration Workshop at the Plainfield Town Hall on March 30 that was co-sponsored by the PEC and Plainfield Historical Society.

Several preservation experts visited the town office in the early months of 2014 and provided the PEC with proposals for window and door restoration. These estimates and Ms. Fishburn’s assessment formed the basis of an application for a “Mooseplate Grant” from the NH Division of Historical Resources. We learned in July that our application had been funded for the maximum amount of \$10,000 which will allow us to repair and weatherize the failing upstairs windows and entry doors and begin restoration of the large windows in the main Town Office space. Winn Mountain Restorations has been chosen to do this work and will begin early in 2015. We plan to apply for additional funding to finish the repair and weatherization and upgrade the storm windows as well.

Plainfield Town Garage: What started off as a feasibility study on creating our own electricity for the Town Garage using PV solar panels has expanded into a full engineering assessment of the structure. This assessment showed that the roof and trusses are in need of repair and there may be other structural issues. This is no real surprise, as the building has not had major maintenance since it was built in 1983. Together with the Road Agent and Selectboard, the Energy Committee will continue with this evaluation and also make energy efficiency recommendations from an energy audit conducted in 2012 (available on town website Energy Committee page).

Solarize Upper Valley

Plainfield teamed up with Cornish for the Solarize program which is based on the concept that grouping customers for a single solar installer is efficient and can reduce cost. The Solarize Cornish-Plainfield launch on March 19th was a sensational event, attended by more than 100 people, which demonstrated the renewable energy interest and enthusiasm of our townspeople.

In anticipation of the Solarize program, the PEC hosted a Button Up Weatherization Workshop on February 19th at the Plainfield School. Energy experts stress the

importance of tackling conservation and efficiency projects before considering renewable energy systems for home or business. The Button Up workshop provided information on techniques and materials which can help save both energy and money.

By the end of the summer, solar panels totalling 115 kW were installed in 23 homes by Solar Source. Nine of these were in Meriden and Plainfield and 16 in Cornish. The number of participants in the program allowed us to reach the lowest price, so that the cost became \$3.40 per installed watt - *before* tax credit and rebate. In addition, 9 systems were installed by Norwich Technologies, ReVision and SunWorx, providing another 65 kW. So we have increased the solar arrays in our two towns by 180 kW total.

We expect to capitalize on the momentum created by the Solarize program to encourage more installations of both PV and hot water systems and to explore options for DIY systems, community solar, municipal projects and funding mechanisms to make renewable energy more affordable. In November we sponsored a workshop on Community Solar (aka group net metering) and plan to continue the conversation in 2015 as the State of NH finalizes the rules which govern these installations.

Thanks to our Solarize installer, there will soon be an electric car charging station at Anne's Country Store on Route 12A. Solar Source provided the funding for this installation to the Cornish and Plainfield Energy Committees.

As always, we welcome new members. This is a great time to be part of a town Energy Committee!

Submitted by
Nancy Magielnicki, Chair

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT- 2014

The 2014 legislative session that ended in June continued to make positive changes for the citizens of New Hampshire, help local town budgets, and make local government more efficient.

The legislature enacted protections for our citizens by addressing the issue of domestic violence. Under 'Joshua's Law' a crime of Domestic Violence was established that provided added protections for victims as well as added tools for law enforcement. Several other laws were passed including one I co-sponsored. RSA: 0238, placing household and domesticated animals under the domestic violence statute.

As a result of the passage of the bipartisan Medicaid expansion in 2013 session, tens of thousands of previously uninsured, hard working citizens are now enrolled in the New Hampshire Health Protection Plan. The State's Health Exchange now has 5 health insurance providers. This increase in insurance providers will offer market competition which is already lowering the cost of premiums. In addition, the legislature invested \$24 million to reverse crisis in mental health system and worked with hospitals to restore uncompensated care funding to state's hospitals and averts a major law suit.

Two important infrastructure bills supported by the Business and Industry Association became law. One looks toward future investments by establishing a 10 year transportation improvement program to develop a long term plan for investments in our roads and bridges. A four cents a gallon increase to the current road toll was passed that is estimated to result in an additional \$33 million annually. This increase will provide an estimated \$4 million per year funding for highway block grants to municipalities, as well as municipal bridge aid, monies for resurfacing and reconstructing secondary roads and the completion of the expansion of I-93 from the Massachusetts border to Manchester.

Often bills are proposed to help local government become more efficient. Examples of new laws to help local government are modifying the process for fill and dredging permits, forming a committee to study land conservation, and allowing the earlier counting of absentee ballots.

The 2015 legislature is facing some tough budget decisions. Fiscal stewardship is about ensuring that we make smart choices about how we spend each taxpayer dollar. We need to work towards long term planning and investments for the future of New Hampshire. We need to invest in education, job training, and address our energy needs. As I leave office, I want to thank you for this opportunity to serve in our citizen legislature. I have been honored to serve the hard working men, women, and children of Sullivan County as a State representative for the last two years.

Representative *Linda Taylor*

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT-2014

Over the past year the members of the Finance Committee have attended the series of budget meetings of the Select and School boards of the Town of Plainfield. The community should take heart that there are many dedicated individuals that give generously of their time and talent to the serious business of operating our school and our town. Certainly there are a wide range of views within our community, but the discussions we observed, however energetic, were conducted with the civility and respect we would all expect. We offer the following report on our activities.

Proposed School District Budget

Article II - Budget

The district is proposing a budget of \$5,909,329. This is a reduction of \$214,470 or 3.5% below the base 2014/15 budget. Approval of any other warrant articles may affect this number.

There was an encouraging amount of discussion about creative ways for the District to adapt to economic and demographic realities. It is clear that the Board, SAU, and School administration have continued to devote significant resources to the future of our school system.

We commend the school administration for commissioning the special education study and making cuts to the budget in response as part of the larger process of “right-sizing” our school. We would support similar studies of other areas as part of this process.

There was concern expressed at the meetings that some cuts included might have unintended negative consequences.

Articles III & IV - Building Alterations

Articles III (Learning Commons) and IV (Lunch Service Area) are appropriately presented separately from the main budget as they are program changes. Both articles include related physical changes to the school building to realize the program changes embodied in each.

We feel the alterations associated with the Learning Commons proposal will positively impact learning opportunities and outcomes for students. It is less clear that the proposed Lunch Service Area is the most effective or efficient way to achieve the goals of increased collaboration for both staff and students.

Article V - Full Day Kindergarten

Our belief is that while a full day kindergarten program may have some appreciable benefits there is not yet consensus throughout the community. Voters should understand that this is an expansion of program and, although not projected to have additional cost for next year, may require another full-time teacher, possible investments in equipment, and physical alterations to the building if enrollment warrants it in the future.

Article VIII - Solar Panels

The finance committee did not have sufficient information to make a final recommendation on the installation of solar panels. However, it is our understanding that the solar panel warrant will not cost the school any money up front and is likely to save the district money in the long run. If the warrant is not approved this year the cost may increase if credits expire next year.

Summary

It will be important moving forward to continue to look carefully at a number of new initiatives as we seek to understand the true costs and benefits of proposals like leaving the AREA agreement and collaboration with Cornish. Our town thrives because we continue to discuss these publicly and carefully vet ideas in the public forum.

Proposed Town Budget

Article 3 - Budget

The selectboard is proposing an operating budget of \$2,101,932 for fiscal year 2015. This represents an increase of \$76,626 or 3.8% over the previous year. Overall we feel that the increase is justified, and that the town has produced a fiscally responsible budget. We applaud the selectboard for finding innovative solutions to cut costs while maintaining or improving the level of service.

Article 5 - Facilities Maintenance Fund

The finance committee supports creation of the facilities maintenance fund and expenditure in 2015 to address immediate needs at the town highway garage.

We also encourage the selectboard to create a town facilities committee to assess the current and future needs of the town buildings.

General Comments / Recommendations

The finance committee would like to thank the many members of the public for serving on a variety of town and district advisory committees (KUA, Cornish Collaboration, AREA Agreement, Energy Committee, Facilities Committee and others) who have contributed their time and talents to maintain a strong and forward thinking community.

As always, we strongly support efforts to increase participation of all residents and believe that our community will be stronger for it.

Rangi Keen, Eric Brann, Dan Lapan, David Grobe, Audra Bucklin, Brad Atwater



Dewey Jones moderates a discussion about Town Meetings past, Paul Franklin, Stephen Taylor and Boone Rondeau Photo S. Halleran

Meriden Village Water District 2014 Operator's Report

The Meriden Village Water District put into place several energy conservation and efficiency projects during the year. Liberty Utilities performed an energy audit for the wastewater treatment facility. Following the audit all of the lighting at the facility was upgraded to more energy efficient T 8 style bulbs and ballasts. Liberty utilities covered almost half of the cost of the lighting upgrade. A mini split heat pump system similar to those installed at the Plainfield School was installed to provide heating and cooling for the lab and control building. The total cost of the installation was \$3,600. The District received a rebate of \$900 from Liberty after the installation was completed by ARC. The new heat pump replaces the original building heating system that consisted of solar hot air panels and an electric heat coil that was installed in 1983. Liberty Utilities also gave the District a \$1,000 rebate for the installation of a variable frequency drive for one of the air blowers at the treatment plant that was completed in 2013.

The US EPA finally came through with the anticipated new NPDES permit. The new permit specifies the parameters that must be monitored as well as the concentrations of contaminants allowed in the plant effluent. The permit contains a requirement for the monitoring of three new contaminants, Ammonia, Phosphorus, and Copper. The permit became effective on September 1st and compliance with the new limits has been difficult for the plant to meet. One option for gaining compliance is to switch from surface water discharge to groundwater discharge/recharge. The Commissioners are currently investigating this option and are proposing to hire an engineer to study the feasibility of making the switch vs. adding treatment units to the existing facilities.

In August a crew from Underwater Solutions replaced the sacrificial anodes inside the water storage tank. The magnesium bars protect the steel tank from corrosion. The anodes are electrically connected to the tank and slowly dissolve preventing rust from forming on the tank walls. The project was completed by the four man dive crew in one day while the tank remained full of water.

The Commissioners were approached by the Facilities Committee from the Plainfield School about the possibility of purchasing power generated by solar panels located on school property. The Commissioners agreed to join the School in exploring this possibility. The Facilities Committee has submitted a grant application to the State PUC for this joint project and expect to hear back from the PUC in 2015.

The facilities and infrastructure of the Meriden Village Water District remain in excellent condition. Three new customers were added to both the water and sewer systems during the year. The Baynes Rd development which was begun in 2004 is now almost fully built out. The District faces the challenge of US EPA compliance for wastewater disposal with facilities that were not designed to treat for the removal of new

system, pursuant to RSA35:1. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE VI. To see what action the District will take with regard to water and sewer use charges.

ARTICLE VII. To enact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this tenth day of February, 2015.

A true copy attest:

Jeffery Allbright
Murray Dewdney
Nathaniel Pierson

**MINUTES
MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT MEETING
MARCH 18, 2014**

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Meriden Village Water District, in the town of Plainfield, County of Sullivan, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs, held at the Plainfield School on Tuesday the eighteenth of March 2014 at 7:30 p.m., the business was disposed of in the following manner:

The Annual Meeting of the Meriden Village Water District was called to order by Moderator Stephen Taylor.

ARTICLE I. The following resolution was offered, and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the following slate of officers be elected:
Moderator for one year: Stephen Taylor
Clerk for one year: Roberta Garfield
Commissioner for three years: Nathaniel Pierson
Treasurer for one year: Donald Garfield
Auditor for one year: Catherine Legare

The vote was unanimous in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE II. The following resolution was offered, and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$221,714, which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual warrant articles addressed.

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE III. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the reports of District Officers be accepted as printed in the Town of Plainfield 2013 Town Report; subject to corrections, and that a corrected copy be placed on file with the District Clerk.

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE IV. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993 for replacing or upgrading the water distribution system, pursuant to RSA35:1.

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE V. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1997 for the purpose of replacing or upgrading equipment on the wastewater treatment system, pursuant to RSA35:1

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE VI. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED:

1. That District charges for residential sewer service remain unchanged at \$100 per quarter.
2. That District charges for sewer service to Kimball Union Academy be increased from \$8,750 per month to \$8,800 per month.
3. That District charges for sewer service to Plainfield Elementary School remain at \$500 per month.
4. That District charges for residential water service be increased from \$75 per quarter to \$80 per quarter.
5. That District charges for water service to Kimball Union Academy be increased from \$4,800 per month to \$5,200 per month.

ARTICLE VII. In other business, Doris LeVarn was thanked for serving two years as District Auditor. Bill Taylor was commended for excellent performance as operator of the water and sewer departments. There being no further business, the meeting was voted adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Roberta J. Garfield, Clerk

**Meriden Village Water District
Water Department Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2014**

Assets:	
Checking account balance	\$32,664.83
Undeposited funds	\$5,350.00
Capital Reserve Fund	\$121,020.03
Accounts due District: Water charges due	\$14,377.29
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Total Assets	\$173,412.15
Liabilities:	
Reserve Funds: Capital Reserve	\$121,020.03
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Total Liabilities	\$121,020.03
Fund Balance- Current Surplus	\$52,392.12
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Grand Total	\$173,412.15
Principal Balance Long Term Debt:	
State of NH Revolving Fund	\$432,530.37

**Sewer Department Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2014**

Assets:	
Checking account balance	\$57,054.16
Undeposited funds	\$9,200.00
Capital Reserve Fund	\$95,317.64
Accounts due District: Sewer charges due	\$16,560.09
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Total Assets	\$178,131.89
Liabilities:	
Reserve Funds: Capital Reserve	\$95,317.64
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Total Liabilities	\$95,317.64
Fund Balance- Current Surplus	\$82,814.25
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Grand Total	\$178,131.89
Principal Balance Long Term Debt:	
State of NH Revolving Fund	\$207,731.08

**Meriden Village Water District
Sewer Department**

Income	Budget 2013	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	Actual 2014	Budget 2015
Sewer Charges	\$128,000	\$129,660	\$131,200	\$131,446	\$130,541
Hook-Ups	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,000	\$0
Interest	\$0	\$13	\$0	\$15	\$0
Capital Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Xfer from Water	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
From Surplus	\$5,500	\$0	\$4,558	\$0	\$29,700
Other Income	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,354	\$0
Total Income	\$133,500	\$129,673	\$135,758	\$142,815	\$160,241

Expenses	Budget 2013	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	Actual 2014	Budget 2015
Office	\$1,000	\$875	\$1,000	\$950	\$1,000
Legal	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$0	\$200
Electricity	\$6,000	\$4,981	\$6,000	\$6,686	\$8,300
Insurance	\$21,000	\$19,483	\$23,350	\$23,716	\$25,165
Maintenance	\$11,000	\$10,690	\$15,000	\$13,712	\$17,000
Telephone	\$1,400	\$1,266	\$1,400	\$1,093	\$1,200
Wages	\$38,195	\$33,331	\$39,150	\$33,920	\$35,000
FICA, Medicare	\$3,765	\$3,402	\$3,500	\$3,459	\$3,700
Retirement	\$5,850	\$5,488	\$6,025	\$6,121	\$6,200
Interest on debt	\$8,361	\$8,360	\$7,803	\$7,803	\$7,246
Principal on debt	\$15,979	\$15,979	\$15,980	\$15,979	\$15,980
Supplies	\$4,000	\$1,747	\$3,000	\$1,570	\$3,000
Effluent Testing	\$2,500	\$2,135	\$2,600	\$2,854	\$4,000
Vehicle	\$750	\$440	\$750	\$0	\$750
Capital Reserve	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$25,000
Monitoring	\$5,000	\$8,705	\$5,000	\$6,404	\$6,500
Blower Replacement	\$3,500	\$327	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Expenses	\$133,500	\$122,209	\$135,758	\$129,268	\$160,241

Water Department

Income	Budget 2013	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	Actual 2014	Budget 2015
Water Rents	\$77,000	\$76,120	\$83,200	\$80,493	\$83,673
Hook-Ups	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,450	\$0
Hydrant Rentals	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600
Interest	\$0	\$12	\$0	\$10	\$0
Capital Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
From Surplus	\$5,367	\$0	\$5,146	\$2,326	\$4,000
Other Income	\$0	\$1,300	\$0	\$503	\$0
Total Income	\$85,967	\$81,032	\$91,946	\$90,382	\$91,273
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Expenses	2013	2013	2014	2014	2015
Office	\$500	\$358	\$500	\$276	\$500
Legal	\$250	\$50	\$250	\$0	\$250
Electricity	\$6,000	\$4,655	\$6,000	\$5,990	\$7,200
Insurance	\$5,400	\$5,561	\$6,000	\$5,964	\$4,500
Maintenance	\$11,500	\$6,497	\$15,000	\$16,298	\$16,000
Telephone	\$300	\$241	\$300	\$363	\$250
Wages	\$10,870	\$11,132	\$11,465	\$11,298	\$11,400
FICA, Medicare	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Retirement	\$1,775	\$2,010	\$2,060	\$2,042	\$2,100
Interest on debt	\$16,405	\$16,405	\$15,467	\$15,467	\$14,500
Principal on debt	\$27,967	\$27,966	\$28,904	\$28,904	\$29,873
Supplies	\$2,000	\$1,227	\$2,000	\$1,280	\$2,000
Water Analysis	\$2,000	\$2,890	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$1,700
Capital Reserve	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
SRF Project	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trnsfr to Sewer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Expenses	\$85,967	\$79,991	\$91,946	\$90,382	\$91,273

**Commissioners,
Meriden Village Water District
P.O. Box 84
Meriden, NH 03770**

SUBJECT: 2014 Audit Findings

Gentlemen:

I have reviewed the MVWD Treasurer's 2014 financial records, per RSA 41:31a and 41:31d, and find these records to be complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Catherine Legare, Auditor
Meriden Village Water District
January 24, 2015

**PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
Commissioners' Annual Report**

The main event for the District was the retirement of our long time system operator Carl Colburn. On Carl's recommendation we have hired Jim Angers of Claremont to replace Carl. Jim comes with many years of experience and, like Carl, is employed by the City of Lebanon.

At the request of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental services the District made modifications in 2013 to the treatment house and well fields to comply with rule changes that were made after they were installed. The District is continuing to work on upgrading the treatment area in our building, and we plan to do other maintenance this year to keep the building in a state of good repair.

Although the District completed the 2011 project of getting the District's drawings digitized, NHDES has requested that we update and validate them. We will be doing this, along with getting some CAD training to allow drawing maintenance, as 2014's capital project. The project was budgeted to be completed by the end of 2015, and is proceeding on schedule.

System operation during 2014 was entirely satisfactory, except for some testing issues that mainly revolved around paperwork. Other than the planned maintenance operations planned for the treatment building, we expect this to continue. We are working on plans to update our telemetry and alarm capability.

Collections, as always, are difficult. Our "accounts receivable" number still represents about half "old debt" (more than 180 days) and about half accounts that are one billing period overdue.

The DES grant program that is expected to bring in about \$4900 this year was funded for the 2014 fiscal year. Our bond principal has dropped to \$100,000 with \$20,000 payments annually for the remaining 5 years of the bond. The slight reduction in rates we were able to adopt in 2012 still yielded enough revenue to meet our expenses.

On a lighter note the commissioners placed a plaque on the treatment building honoring long-time commissioner and system operator George Adams, who was largely responsible for the tank and well project begun in 1999 that greatly improved both the operation and reliability of the system. George's family showed up for the ceremony where lots of good anecdotes got a hearing.

There is plenty of work for anyone interested in helping. Please contact one of the commissioners if you're looking for opportunities. We are still looking for a billing clerk and a meter reader, both of which are paid positions.

The commissioners

Robert Drye
Ralph Patalano
Gordon Gillens



Photo: Sarah Gillens

**WARRANT
PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD**

SULLIVAN. SS.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield in the said County of Sullivan in the said State, who are legal voters residing in the Plainfield Village Water District, and qualified to vote in said district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield Town Hall in said Plainfield Village Water District on **Saturday the 28th of March 2015 at 9:00 a.m.,** to act upon the following subjects.

ARTICLE I. To choose the necessary District Officers for the ensuing year or otherwise.

1. A moderator for one year.
2. A clerk for one year
3. A commissioner for three years
4. A treasurer for one year
5. An auditor for one year

ARTICLE II. To see what action the district will take with regard to the reports of the district officers.

ARTICLE III. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$55,470** to defray district expenses, and to authorize the Commissioners to direct disbursements of funds by the District Treasurer. Said sum does not include special warrant articles assessed. (Majority vote required for passage.) (The Commissioners recommend passage of this article.)

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

Given under our hands and seal this Fourth day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen.

At true copy attest: *Robert Drye, Ralph Patalano, Gordon Gillens*

**PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2014**

ASSETS

Cash	55,736
Accounts receivable	27,832
Machinery and equipment	124,288
Buildings	10,000
Land and improvements	70,000
Tank/Well project	<u>450,000</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 745,527</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 0
Tax Anticipation Notes	0
Bond payable –NHMBB	<u>100,000</u>
Total liabilities	100,000
Unrestricted assets	<u>645,527</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 745,527</u>

**Plainfield Village Water District
Proposed Budget 2015**

INCOME	2014	Actual	2015
Water Rent	\$53,000	\$47,224	\$51,000
District Tax	\$0		
Hydrant Service	\$0		
Interest Income	\$25	\$6	\$25
Other Income	\$5,118	\$6,264	\$4,921
Transfer from Expendible			
Starting cash balance	\$67,787	\$67,786	\$61,761
	<u>\$125,929</u>	<u>\$121,281</u>	<u>\$117,707</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES	2014	Actual	2015
Administrative			
Officers Salaries	\$1,290	\$1,040	\$1,290
Officer Expenses	\$250	\$0	\$250
Clerical Salaries	\$275	\$260	\$750
Payroll Taxes	\$1,100	\$541	\$750
Postage	\$250	\$474	\$250
Office Expenses	\$1,000	\$942	\$1,000
Administrative/Legal	\$500	\$0	\$500
Insurance/Bonding	\$1,295	\$1,055	\$1,100
Total Administrative	<u>\$6,560</u>	<u>\$4,897</u>	<u>\$5,890</u>
Operations			
Maintenance-Labor	\$7,500	\$7,135	\$8,250
Maintenance-Supplies	\$2,000	\$1,327	\$2,000
Maintenance-Service	\$2,000	\$3,422	\$2,000
Utilities-Electricity	\$2,400	\$2,154	\$2,400
Utilities-Propane	\$700	\$1,318	\$850
Utilities-Telephone	\$1,100	\$1,122	\$1,100
Water Sample Tests	\$2,500	\$3,895	\$3,000
System Improvements	\$5,000	\$2,036	\$5,000
Total Operations	<u>\$23,200</u>	<u>\$22,410</u>	<u>\$24,600</u>

DEBT	2014	Actual	2015
Principal	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Interest	\$6,300	\$6,300	\$5,250
Tax Anticipation Notes repayment	\$0		
Tax Anticipation Interest	\$0		
Total Debt Service	<u>\$26,300</u>	<u>\$26,300</u>	<u>\$25,250</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$56,060	\$53,607	\$55,740
Article IV (2013 Warrant)			
Article IV (2014 Warrant)	\$5,000	\$913	\$0
Article V (2014 Warrant)	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Sub Total	\$10,000	\$5,913	\$0
GRAND TOTAL	\$66,060	\$59,820	\$55,740

Plainfield Village Water District
Statement of Cash Flow for the year 2014

Opening Cash position	\$61,661
Water Rent	\$47,224
Other Income	\$6,270
Total Income	<u>\$53,494</u>
Administrative Expenses	\$4,897
Operations	\$22,410
Bond Debt - Principal Reduction	\$20,000
Bond Debt – Interest	\$6,300
TAN notes – interest	\$0
Total operating disbursements	<u>\$53,607</u>
Capital Projects	
2014 Article IV	\$813
Transfers to Trust Funds	
2014 Article V	\$5,000
Transfers from Trust Funds	
Transfer from System Maintenance Fund	\$0
Net cash flow before TAN borrowings	-\$5,925
Net TAN borrowings	\$0
Net change in cash balance	<u>-\$5,925</u>
Ending Cash position	\$55,736

MARRIAGES 2014

DATE	APPLICANTS	RESIDENCE	TOWN OF ISSUANCE	TOWN OF MARRIAGE
05/31/2014	Beaton, Jason M Brown, Charlotte M	Plainfield, NH Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Hanover
08/16/2014	Walker, Nathan M Oberkotter, Amanda R	Plainfield, NH Cornish, NH	Plainfield	Cornish
10/04/2014	Senna, Lucas W Lambert, Jessica M	Canaan, NH Plainfield, NH	Canaan	Cornish

BIRTHS – 2014

D.O.B.	NAME	PLACE	FATHER	MOTHER
04/11/2014	Smith, Dylan Neil	Lebanon	Smith, Derek	Smith, Stacey
05/01/2014	Isabelle, Allie Anne	Lebanon	Isabelle, Aaron	Isabelle, Carolyn
05/03/2014	Laflam, Ellis Lucille	Lebanon	Laflam, Jonathan	Laflam, Stephanie
06/03/2014	Parthum, Skylin Bella	Lebanon	Parthum, Gregory	Parthum, Amy
06/15/2014	White, Mackenzie Anne	Lebanon	White, Justin	McNamara, Elizabeth
07/18/2014	Piper, Maddy Tucker	Lebanon	Piper, Nicholas	Piper, Amanda
07/18/2014	Piper, Riley Lyn	Lebanon	Piper, Nicholas	Piper, Amanda
08/14/2014	Laundry, Vincent Michael	Lebanon	Laundry, Joseph	Laundry, Kristen
08/30/2014	Harrington, Lane Manacek	Lebanon	Harrington, Michael	Harrington, Abigail
09/18/2014	Mans, Louise Kate	Lebanon	Mans II, Peter	Mans, Katherine
09/21/2014	Pearse, Ryan Joseph	Lebanon	Pearse, Erik	Pearse, Shauna
11/16/2014	Tuthill, Theo Allen	Lebanon	Tuthill, Noah	Tuthill, Emily
11/16/2014	Tuthill, Rowan Lyle	Lebanon	Tuthill, Noah	Tuthill, Emily
11/24/2014	Marrazzo, Joshua Andrew	Lebanon	Marrazzo, Matthew	Marrazzo, Emily

DEATHS – 2014

Date	Name	Place	Father	Mother
02/21/2014	Berry, Peter	Plainfield	Berry, Alden	Day, Georgia
03/11/2014	Wilder, Gordon	Lebanon	Wilder, Harold	Stearns, Mildred
04/04/2014	Fellows, Hazen	Lebanon	Fellows, Henry	Maxham, Ethel
06/28/2014	Sedlak, Josephine	Lebanon	Timpanelli, Pasquale	Santamaria, Assunta
07/04/2014	Darling, Lynwood	Plainfield	Darling, Perley	Page, Eunice
07/27/2014	Wysk, Wallace	Lebanon	Wysk, Wallace	Freniere, Eunice
08/23/2014	Labelle, Dorothy	Plainfield	Wheeler, Robert	Weaver, Betty
09/16/2014	Dessert, Rene	Plainfield	Dessert, Henry	Lambert, Marie
11/12/2014	Quinn, Patricia	Plainfield	Quinn, Kenneth	Heckel, Eva
11/30/2014	White, Mark	Lebanon	White, Vern	Farnsworth, Phyllis

**ANNUAL REPORT
of the
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
2014**



by Piers Legare, GR 5 - Ms Lizotte

**ANNUAL REPORT
of the
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014

OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MODERATOR

Paul Franklin

DISTRICT CLERK

Myra Ferguson

TREASURER

Jeffrey Moore

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Christie Danen
(Term expires 2016)

Brian Garfield
(Term expires 2016)

Chris Forman – Board Chair
(Term expires 2015)

Mike Sutherland
(Term expires 2015)

Katherine Whybrow
(Term expires 2017)

PLAINFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Susan Blair

CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Gregory Vogt

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES

Anita McDowell

FINANCE

Beth Bierwirth

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sullivan, ss: School District of Plainfield

To the inhabitants of the School District of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield Elementary School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield, New Hampshire, on Friday the sixth day of March, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. to act on the following subjects.

- Article I. To see what action the District will take with respect to reports of District officers.
- Article II. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,909,329 for the support of schools, for payment of salaries to school district officials and agents, and for the payments of the statutory obligations of the District for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)
- Article III. To see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$61,700 (Sixty-one thousand, seven hundred dollars) for the creation of a Learning Commons area in the Plainfield Elementary School, including construction costs and furniture for said area. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)
- Article IV. To see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,300 (Forty-four thousand, three hundred dollars) for the creation of a Lunch Service area in the Plainfield Elementary School, including construction costs, serving equipment and furniture for said area. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)
- Article V. To see if the District will vote to establish a full-day Kindergarten program at the Plainfield Elementary School commencing on the first day of school of the 2015-2016 school year with no additional appropriation required. (The School Board recommends this action.)
- Article VI. To see if the District will initiate, in accordance with RSA 195-A:14, the formal process of Plainfield's (SAU 32) withdrawal from the AREA agreement with Lebanon (SAU 88) and Grantham (SAU 75). (The School Board recommends this action.)
- Article VII. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to implement an arrangement with the Cornish School District whereby superintendent services are provided to the Cornish School District by SAU 32 pursuant to RSA 194-C:4, provided that there will be no added cost to the Plainfield School District, and there will be no substantive change in governance over school expenditures, policies or practices by the Plainfield School District. (The School Board recommends this action.)
- Article VIII. To see if the District supports the installation of a ground mounted solar array on District property if the School Board, at its discretion, can reach an agreement with the provider which will be economically beneficial to the District and if so, authorize the School Board to lease the portion of District property required for the installation. (The School Board recommends this action.)

Article IX. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (Fifty thousand dollars) to be placed in the Special Education and Tuition Reserve Fund created in 2000 pursuant to RSA 35:1-c, for the purpose of either special education expenses or tuition expenses or both. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

Article X. To see if the District will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a finance committee (advisory only) of six Plainfield residents to advise the School Board in the area of the School District Budget. (The School Board recommends this action.)

Article XI. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting

(NOTE: Election of School District officials will take place at the same time and place as election of town officials on Tuesday, March 10, 2015).

Given under our hands at said Plainfield this ____29____ day of January 2015.

A True Copy Attest:

Chris Forman, Chair
Katherine Whybrow
Claude Sutherland
Brian Garfield
Christie Danen
Plainfield School Board



**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

To the inhabitants of the School District of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield Elementary School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield, New Hampshire on Tuesday the tenth of March, 2015 at 8 a.m. to act on the following subjects:

Article I: To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer each for a one-year term ; two School Board Members for a three-year term.
(Polls will open at 8 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour.)

NOTE: All other school district business will be considered at the School District meeting to be held on Friday, March 6, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at the Plainfield Elementary School.

Given unto our hands at said Plainfield this 29th day of January 2015.

A True Copy Attest:

Chris Forman, Chair
Claude Sutherland
Brian Garfield
Katherine Whybrow
Christie Danen
Plainfield School Board

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
ANNUAL MEETING – MARCH 8, 2014

At a legal meeting of the voters of the School District of Plainfield, Moderator Paul Franklin called the meeting to order at 10:02 am on Saturday, March 8, 2014, at the Plainfield School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield.

Reverends Susan and John Gregory-Davis opened the meeting with words of affirmation from graduates of Plainfield Elementary School, Lebanon High School and Kimball Union Academy. The thoughtful, caring and respectful spirit of these affirmations will inspire us through the next few hours of deliberation.

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance lead by John MacNamara.

The Moderator introduced the School District Clerk (Myra Ferguson), School Board (Kate Whybrow DVM, Mike Sutherland, Chris Forman, Christie Danen, Brian Garfield), District Counsel (David Bradley, Esq.) and Professional Staff (Superintendent Greg Vogt, PhD, Principal Ellen Langsner, Special Education Director Laura Spratt, and School Finance Beth Bierwirth)

The Moderator explained the rules of the meeting and read the statement by Myra Ferguson, School District Clerk of Plainfield, NH, that hereby certifies that on the 12th day of February, 2014, the posting of the true and attested copy of the within warrant at the Plainfield School, the Meriden and Plainfield Town Halls and Libraries, said locations being public places within the district—notarized by Michelle Marsh, Notary Public on February 12, 2014.

The Moderator then read the Certification of Posting and Certification of the Checklist, noting that 1,553 names were listed on the Checklist.

A motion was made by Richard Atkinson and seconded by Boone Rondeau to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant. The vote, by voice, was in the affirmative, and it was so declared.



ARTICLE I: The following resolution was offered by Chris Forman and seconded by Brian Garfield that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District accept the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees and other officers as printed in the 2014 annual report.

The vote, by voice, was in the affirmative, and it was so declared.



ARTICLE II: The following resolution was offered, moved by Chris Forman and seconded by Mike Sutherland that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District votes to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,016,077 for the support of schools, for payment of salaries to School District officials and agents, and for the payments of the statutory obligations of the District for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.



Before the floor was open to debate and discuss Article II, an amendment to Article II was offered from the floor, moved by Helen Koehler and seconded by Dennis Girouard. The amendment to Article II reads as follows:

Resolved: That the District vote to cut \$200,000 from the proposed sum of \$6,016,077 and accept a budget of \$5,816,077 for the 2014-2015 school year.

The floor was open to debate and discussion. Questions were asked by residents and answered by Board members and school administrators.

The vote for the amendment for Article II by secret ballot resulted in:

YES 47

NO 151

The vote was in the negative, the amendment was not adopted, and it was so declared.



Before the floor was open to debate and discussion of Article II, another amendment to Article II was offered from the floor, moved by Andrea Bueno Keen and seconded by Ranji Keen. This amendment to Article II reads as follows:

Resolved: That the District votes to increase the budget by \$40,000 and recommend funding the additional salary and benefits in moving the 0.7 FTE fifth-grade teacher to full time.

The floor was open to debate and discussion. Questions were asked by residents and answered by Board members and school administrators.

The vote for this amendment for Article II by secret ballot resulted in:

YES 47

NO 148

The vote was in the negative, the amendment was not adopted, and it was so declared.



There being no further amendments offered from the floor, and Article II had already been moved and seconded, Chair Chris Forman began his presentation of fifteen slides. The slides, available to all participants in the meeting, explain:

- Summary of each financial article offered for this meeting
- Projected decrease in school enrollment, the cost of that decrease, and that area schools are experiencing a similar decrease
- School Board's approach and process of building the 2014-2015 budget being proposed
- Class-size policy and grade configuration
- Summary of the budget highlighting a *decrease* in the total budget, estimated non-tax revenues and estimated tax revenues
- Proposed 2014-2015 expense budget with \$67,664 *decrease* in spending in relation to the current school year's budget which is a 1.11% *decrease*
- Regular classroom structure as well as the unified arts structure
- Review of the outcomes from 2013-2014 investments, i.e., enrichment activities (discontinue), increase of .5 days/week for Superintendent (continue) and instructional technology (continue)
- Comparisons of expense budget and cost-per-pupil with other local districts
- History of the expense portion of the budget from 2002 to 2015 (expenses have increased by 1.45% annually since 2007)
- History of local tax support of the school from 2002 to 2014 (support has increased by 3.9% annually since 2007)

The floor was then open to debate and discussion. Questions were asked by residents and answered by Board members and administrators.

The vote for Article II by secret ballot resulted in:

YES 154

NO 40

The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.



Before the floor was open to debate and discuss Article III, a point-of-order was called from the floor by Suzanne Spencer and seconded by Ida Dionne Burroughs that the order of the presentation of the warrant articles be altered so that Article VI could be presented before Article III.

The Moderator opened the floor for debate and discussion. A discussion of whether to have a voice, hand or secret ballot ensued.

The vote for this point-of-order by secret ballot resulted in:

YES 92

NO 93

The vote was in the negative, the point-of-order was not adopted, and it was so declared.



ARTICLE III: The following resolution was offered, moved by Brian Garfield and seconded by Christie Danen, that it be adopted.

Resolved: To see if the District will approve the cost items included in the two-year, collective bargaining agreement reached during good-faith negotiations between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Support Staff Association which calls for the increase in support staff salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$16,227
2015-2016	\$20,159

The above sums represent the additional costs attributed to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

Brian Garfield presented slides #16 and #17 in support of the adoption of Article III. The slides demonstrated 1) the dollar impact of the Support Staff contract for a two-year duration and 2) the comparison of Plainfield’s support staff to Claremont’s and Lebanon’s support staff salaries.

The floor was then open to debate and discussion. Questions were asked by residents and answered by Board members.

The vote for Article III by secret ballot resulted in:

YES 132

NO 62

The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.



ARTICLE IV: The following resolution was offered, moved by Mike Sutherland and seconded by Kate Whybrow that it be adopted.

Resolved: To see if the District will approve the cost items included in the two-year, collective bargaining agreement reached during good-faith negotiations between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Education Association which calls for the increase in teacher salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$51,495
2015-2016	\$55,116

The above sums represent the additional costs attributed to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

Mike Sutherland presented slides #18 and #19 in support of the adoption of Article IV. The slides demonstrated 1) the dollar impact of the Teacher contract for a two-year duration and 2) the comparison of Plainfield’s teaching staff to Claremont, Cornish, Grantham, Lebanon, Lyme and Hanover’s teaching staff salaries.

The floor was then open to debate and discussion. Questions were asked by residents and answered by Board members and school administrators.

The vote for Article IV by secret ballot resulted in:

YES 114

NO 76

The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.



Moderator Franklin recessed the meeting for lunch at 1:00 pm to resume at 1:45 PM.



Board Chair Forman acknowledged three teaching staff members retiring on June 31, 2014: Larry Wolken, Julie Perkins and Betsy Rybeck-Lynd. These three teachers, each with more than thirty years apiece—more than 100 years added together—received a round of applause, a bouquet each and much appreciation for their contributions to our school. Principal Ellen Langsner received, after nine years of service with our school, words of appreciation, a bouquet and a standing ovation. Chair Forman also voiced appreciation for Emily Chapin, with the school for sixteen years and a member of our Support Staff, also retires this school year.



ARTICLE V: The following resolution was offered, moved by Kate Whybrow and seconded by Mike Sutherland that it be adopted.

Resolved: To see if the District will vote to establish an A.R.E.A. Agreement Committee whose purpose will be to study the current A.R.E.A. Tuition Agreement between SAU #32 and SAU #88.

Kate Whybrow explained slide number #20 where the current A.R.E.A. was where, among other things, tuition is now more easily predicted from year-to-year and stressing that periodic review of this agreement is wise. Mike Sutherland explained slide #21 by highlighting the composition, charge and timeline of the proposed A.R.E.A. Agreement Committee.

The floor was then open to debate and discussion. Questions were asked by residents and answered by Board members.

The vote for Article V, by voice, was in the affirmative, and it was so declared.



ARTICLE VI: The following resolution was offered, moved by Chris Forman and seconded by Christie Danen that it be adopted with an amendment that deleted the word “up to” before the \$85,000 sum.

Resolved: To see if the District will vote to establish a full-day Kindergarten program at the Plainfield School commencing on the first school day of FY 15; and to see if the District



ARTICLE IX: The following resolution was offered, moved by Christie Danen and seconded by Kate Whybrow that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a finance committee (advisory only) of six Plainfield residents to advise the School Board in the area of the School District budget.

The vote for Article XI, by voice, was in the affirmative, and it was so declared.



ARTICLE X: Other Business

Resolved: To transact any other business that may come before this meeting.

Stephen Taylor made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Steve Beaupré

The vote for Article X, by voice, was in the affirmative, and it was so declared.



Moderator Paul Franklin adjourned the School District meeting at 3:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Ferguson

Plainfield School District Clerk

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
ELECTION MEETING – MARCH 11, 2014

The election of School District officials took place at the same time and place as the election of Town officials on Tuesday, March 11, 2014. Moderator Paul Franklin declared the meeting open at 8:00 a.m. and read the School District Warrant and certification of posting provided by the School District Clerk. The ballot boxes were determined empty. The polls closed at 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE I: Balloting results were as follows:

For School District Moderator (1-Year Term):

Paul Franklin	321
<i>Write in:</i>	
Eric Brann	1
Peter Mogielnicki	1
Rob Taylor	1

Elected: Paul Franklin

For School District Clerk (1-Year Term):

Myra Ferguson	310
<i>Write in:</i>	
Laura Ward	1
Diane Rogers	1
Doug Beaupré	1
Pat MacNamara	1

Elected: Myra Ferguson

For School District Treasurer (1-Year Term):

Jeffery C. Moore	308
<i>Write in:</i>	
Deb Beaupré	1

Elected: Jeffery C. Moore

For School Board (3-Year Term):

Katherine Whybrow	306
<i>Write in:</i>	
Dan Lapan	1
Brad Atwater	2
Gene Hewes	1
Mark Pensgen	1
Amy Lappin	1
Tom Williams	1
Laura Ward	1

Elected: Katherine Whybrow

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Myra Ferguson
Plainfield School District Clerk

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Superintendent's Report

When I first assumed the Superintendent position here at Plainfield Elementary School (PES), I began what has become an annual tradition with the School Board. During the summer before each school year, the School Board meets with the Administrative Team in a retreat to discuss the major issues facing the School District. Out of that session, the Board develops a series of goals that it wishes to accomplish in the next school year. In some cases, these goal statements become a multi-year effort, with progress measured each year toward their conclusion. Each year the number of goals statements is limited in number, to allow for a better chance of meeting the targets within the one year timeframe. There were five goal statements set for the 2014-15 year:

1. *Re-evaluate the option of providing full-day kindergarten and, if appropriate, make a recommendation to the 2015 School District meeting for approval.*
2. *Continue evaluation of Special Education delivery model and make sure appropriate services are delivered to all students.*
3. *Review reports from the AREA Review and Cornish Collaboration Committees and develop a comprehensive strategy for keeping PES independent in the future.*
4. *Continue to maintain our school building to ensure a safe, sound and healthy learning environment for our students and staff.*
5. *Provide the necessary supports to enable the new Principal of Plainfield Elementary School to have a good first year.*

The progress which the District has made in these goal areas is reported under the School Board Report in this Town Report. There are certain other areas on which I would like to offer comments since they are not addressed elsewhere and they are part of my own goals for this year.

Last spring the District received a very comprehensive report about the Special Education program at PES. This report (which is available on the School Board website) outlined the current status of the Special Education program and offered specific recommendations for improvement to the program. This report has served as the impetus for a more in-depth review of our Special Education program, including the delivery model currently being used. Under the leadership of Sue Blair, the new Principal of PES, and Anita McDowell, the new Director of Special Services, a more detailed examination of the manner in which students with special needs are receiving services was conducted.

The result of this study was a re-structuring of the Special Education Department at PES and the provision of a new manner of delivering services for students with special needs. The proposed budget for next year reflects this new model. The revised program better utilizes the skills and talents of the staff and is much more cost-effective for the taxpayers of the community. The most important aspect of the changes, however, is that it enables the District to continue to improve the strong, comprehensive Special Education program that meets the identified needs of the students.

Last year in this report I wrote about the new class size policy that was developed and adopted by the School Board. This is the first year of operating under this new policy and I am pleased to report that it is working well. Our classes are all well-balanced and meet the intent of the policy. As the budget was being assembled for presentation this year, the policy was again used to develop the class configurations. There are no further changes recommended for this policy since it seems to be operating as intended.

PES continues to experience declining enrollment. This phenomenon is not unique to PES since most other New Hampshire schools are facing the same challenge. We will continue to see slight declines in enrollment over the next several years and this will mean that we will have to use creativity and ingenuity to keep a strong educational program. We continue to explore ways in which we can join with Cornish to offer solid offerings for the students of both school districts.

Finally, as many of you in the community may already know, I have resigned as Superintendent of the Plainfield Elementary School, SAU 32, effective June 30, 2015 for personal reasons. I will end my report by paraphrasing what I wrote in our school newsletter in January.

I have truly enjoyed my service as Superintendent over the past four years. As I learned when I was first interviewed for the position in the spring of 2011, PES is a special place filled with wonderful students and a solid educational program staffed by dedicated adults. During my tenure, I have made every effort to make PES a safe and enjoyable place where children can learn and grow. The students have always been my first priority.

Bolstered by a hardworking and dedicated School Board, a supportive community, a strong faculty and fantastic students, PES continues to strive to be the “best small school in New Hampshire.” As we have travelled toward this goal, I wish to thank the Plainfield community for their support over the past four years. I wish you all only the best as you continue to support education and work to resolve some of the issues associated with being a small community school.

As the School Board begins the search for a new Superintendent, I hope you will work with them to find the right individual who will continue and expand upon what has been started. I look forward to finishing up as much as I can with you during the next few months, so that PES will be in a good position for the 2015-2016 school year.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Superintendent!

Principal's Report

"Children are apt to live up to what you believe of them."

~Lady Bird Johnson

It is my honor to respectfully submit this report to you as the new Principal of Plainfield Elementary School. Over the past several months I have learned a great deal about the

community of Plainfield. The outpouring of support has been tremendous and is greatly appreciated.

In the few short months of my tenure, I have had opportunity to work with our Police Chief, Paul Roberts. I have been introduced to several community members as they have come to PES to welcome me and extend their congratulatory wishes. I have been invited to KUA for a tour and have met with KUA administration and staff to discuss PES students and their mathematical readiness for high school.

In addition to having a discussion with KUA regarding math readiness, Plainfield Administration and staff have embarked on a collaborative conversation with Lebanon Middle and High School staff and SAU Administration regarding the academic readiness and needs of PES students as they enter ninth grade. We are also exploring the Virtual Learning Academy as an option for students who have mastered the eighth grade curriculum in mathematics.

We are pleased to inform you that for the 2014-2015 school year several highly qualified professional positions were filled. They include: Reading Specialist: Mrs. Linda Bohrer, Fifth grade teacher: Mrs. Jennifer Lizotte, Third /Fourth Grade Teacher: Miss Hannah Gage, Science Teacher, Ms. Heidi Magario, Art teacher, Ms. Alex Mathis and ESOL Teacher, Mrs. Anita McDowell. Mrs. Laura Spratt accepted a position as a Third/Fourth grade teacher and Mrs. Anita McDowell accepted the position of Director of Student Services. In addition, Mrs. Ruth Cassedy, Mrs. Laurel Hall and Mr. Chris Rosinski were hired as para-educators.

The staff at PES has established the following goals to assist us in maintaining and enhancing our positive school climate, so as to improve student achievement by supporting students' academic, social/emotional, physical, behavioral needs through a consistent school-wide focus on proactive and respectful approaches which:

- Provide team building opportunities for all staff;
- Support professional training in Responsive Classroom and Developmental Designs models by Origins;
- Provide staff-wide Crisis Prevention Intervention awareness;
- Provide opportunities for participation in discussions and trainings related to the identification and support of different learning styles; and
- Offer staff-wide study groups.

As PES's new principal, the following goals were developed with the support of the Superintendent of Schools.

- Work with Director of Special Services to define roles and responsibilities in building a strong, comprehensive Special Education program that meets the needs of students.
- Work with Administrative Team to build a comprehensive vision for the future of PES.

- Work with the Facilities Director and Building Facilities Committee to develop a comprehensive plan for building improvements for the 2015-2016 budget.

This school year we continue to successfully employ technology tools outside of our computer laboratory and inside grade level classrooms. Two solutions are being utilized: Smart boards and laptop carts. In addition, some of our classroom teachers are working collaboratively with the librarian and technology integrator to design and provide richer learning opportunities for students. An example of this is Genius Hour. It is our intent to continue to grow in the area of technology. Our desire is to become more proficient in the capacity of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics)

During the 2014-2015 school year, the average daily membership was 206 students and our student enrollment averaged 215 students for the year. The number of students who receive special education services held steady at approximately 38 students in Preschool through grade eight.

A focus of the Administrative Team was the Southeastern Regional Education Service Center, Inc. (SERESC) Report which was authorized by the Plainfield School Board during the spring of 2014. It is the review of this report and the evaluation of our students' needs that has provided us with the foundational data to develop the Special Education model for the upcoming school year. This model is outlined in the Director of Special Service's report below.

PES is a small community school which benefits from the continuing support of the community of Plainfield. Research has proven that children are noticeably more successful in their educational endeavors, if their parents promote, support and are actively involved in their child(ren)'s education.

In closing, on behalf of the staff and myself, I would like to thank the community of Plainfield for their ongoing support. I am thrilled at the opportunities that lay before us. With a dedicated staff and community, the possibilities for our children are endless. We thank our parents and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) who, on a daily basis, work with us to support our children as we promote and enhance student learning while improving student outcomes.

We thank you today, and some day so will your children!

Special Education Report

As the community's new Director of Special Services in PES, I have noticed several important factors that speak highly of service delivery for Special Education here in Plainfield. They are: a dedicated and committed staff; involved and caring parents; and collaboration between special educators and regular educators on behalf of the District's identified children. The following is not a comprehensive list, but rather my strongest early impressions.

Since my arrival in Plainfield, I have been privileged to:

- Transition into this role, with guidance from my predecessor, Laura Spratt;
- Work closely alongside new Principal, Sue Blair, to review the current model of Special Education service delivery, the SERESC report, and associated departmental revenues and expenses; and,
- Take part in looking ahead in order to help to envision and create a responsible and effective model for Special Education in Plainfield School District which will reach far into the future, and align with district wide long-range goals.

Currently, several trends align to alert us to carefully prepare for the future: declining enrollment, past increases in Special Education spending, SERESC report recommendations to the School Board, and the average cost of purchasing a local home. When funding is down, it is incumbent upon a public school district to both identify areas where cost savings are reasonable and responsible; and innovatively explore potentially trend-changing alternatives by which enrollment may be increased (such as this District’s consideration of collaboration with Cornish, withdrawal from the AREA agreement, and school choice). To do so is prudent and wise.

First and foremost, quality service provision to meet the needs of identified children of our District is about commitment and dedication. Both virtues are amply observable in PES. A day of school does not go by when I do not witness, firsthand, caring and supportive adults interacting with children with disabilities. So many here contribute from their hearts to ensure that children who are found eligible for Special Education services, receive the supports they need to successfully obtain a free and appropriate public education in Plainfield. And, there is that “something more” that I repeatedly see in operation in Plainfield – it is an unwavering commitment to building children up, and to helping all children to grow and develop into fine committed and dedicated people themselves. It isn’t quantifiable – but it is palpable. Every adult contributes to this caring and encouraging climate for learners. It lives - it breathes - it is PES. Because of it, I stand firmly behind our new model of Special Education, which ensures the continual provision of quality service delivery to identified children in PES.

2014-15 Special Education Data [as of 2-1-15]

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Students with IEPs</u>
PK – 8	38 (includes 2 out-of-district)
Grade 9 – Age 21	8 (includes 1 out-of-district)

- Percent of PES students on IEPs in 2014-15: 17.68%

Other information:

- Number of out of district placements: 3 (includes PreK program)
- Number of identified students receiving individual speech services: 27
- Number of identified students receiving occupational therapy services: 9

- Number of identified students receiving individual physical therapy services: 2

Inclusive of carry-over amounts from 2013-14 and 2014-15, there is \$56,347 in combined Federal IDEA and Preschool grant funds available to supplement portions of the 2014-15 budget.

THE NEW MODEL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION IN PLAINFIELD IN 2015-16

- Staffed by an Upper (Grades 5-8) School and a Lower (Grades PreK – 4) School Case Manager, along with a Speech and Language Specialist in 2015-16 – each with an average caseload of approximately 13 students (an approximate 18% increase per Case Manager over 2014-15’s average of 11 students per Case Manager [Note: not inclusive of the Speech and Language Specialist’s 2014-2015 caseload of 5 identified students])
- Projected estimate of 38 identified students at PES in 2015-16, to be supported by 9.5 Special Education Assistants, which reflects a 1:4 identified student: Special Education Assistant ratio. The same ratio at PES presently is 1:2.3. Overall average of identified student: Special Education Assistant ratio reflected in 2013-14 area wide data comparing fifteen local districts was also 1:4. Of the fifteen comparison districts in then, 26% had an identified student: Special Education Assistant ratio as high as is found in the range of 1:5.2 to 1:7.26.
- Despite a 24% decrease in overall number of Special Education Assistants in next year’s planning, when considering staffing in surrounding districts alongside declining revenues and enrollment in the district, it is a reasoned and fair reduction in staffing. In comparison to the fifteen surrounding districts 2013-14 aggregated data, the new model also continues to be competitive. The new model assures that identified students will continue to be well supported in Plainfield. When one also factors in that “something more”, this conclusion can be made with confidence.

The presented vision requires unity. It requires community. It requires mutual cooperation, participation, and an unwavering commitment to continuation of quality service delivery for Special Education. Indeed, it requires what Plainfield is good at.

The successful functioning of the Administrative Team (which also includes Beth Bierwirth, Finance) is made possible by the support of a number of people: the School Board which provides guidance and direction; the entire staff who work hard to help our students succeed; and Bill Knight, Lisa Gradijan and Lynn LeBrun with whom we work daily and who offer us invaluable assistance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory Vogt, Ph.D., Superintendent
Susan Blair, M.A., Principal
Anita McDowell, M.Ed.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

Plainfield Elementary School (PES) continues to be one of the best, small schools in New Hampshire. With a dedicated staff, an involved community, and 219 of the best kids in the Granite State, PES is brimming with activity and learning.

We have an especially full agenda at this year's School District Meeting including:

- A budget that attempts to balance declining enrollment, our community's commitment to quality education, and taxes;
- Two building projects designed to radically improve learning and collaboration within our school;
- A new proposal to implement full-day Kindergarten in the 2015/16 school year;
- Reports & recommendations from the 'Cornish Collaboration' & 'AREA Agreement Study' Committees formed at last School District Meeting;
- A warrant to allow the construction of a ground mounted solar array on School grounds;
- A request to place \$50,000 in the District's Special Education & Tuition Reserve Fund

The Budget

This year's budget process started in October with the development of the following 6 principles to guide the decisions and debate of the Board:

- Develop a fiscally responsible budget that supports the quality education that PES currently provides, including differentiation in instruction for all student ability levels.
- Be innovative in matching staff to enrollment and student need, providing staff development where necessary and appropriate.
- Continue the practice of returning to the taxpayers an amount equal to any tuition surplus created in the budget.
- Support the continuing evolution of our curriculum and instructional program.
- Continue to maintain our school building to ensure a sound, healthy and safe learning environment for our students and staff.
- Take advantage of ad-hoc funding opportunities, including grants or other shared funding. Whenever possible, funds from these sources will be used to reduce the community tax burden

Using these principles as a guide (and after hundreds of hours of hard work by the Administration & staff, seven budget-focused school board meetings, five draft budgets, meetings with the finance committee, and a public budget hearing) the School Board approved an expense budget of \$5,909,329 -- a 2.87% decrease (-\$174,470) over the current school year.

Significant changes in the proposed 2015/16 budget include:

- \$102,669 decrease in regular education teacher salaries (reduction of .2FTE in Guidance, .2FTE in music, & .2FTE in English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL); addition of .3 FTE reading specialist)
- \$19,210 increase in regular education assistant salaries (addition of 1 FTE Educational Assistant)

- \$124,693 decrease in special education salaries (the reduction of 1 FTE SPED Teacher and 4 FTE in SPED Educational Assistants)
- \$16,900 increase in SPED contracted services
- \$22,300 decrease in SPED expenses at the High School
- \$15,907 increase in SAU salaries (.2 FTE increase of SPED Director)
- \$20,609 decrease in contracted services for Building Operations
- \$39,100 increase in the building maintenance line item to enhance building security and support a trial of a new classroom floor treatment

Besides staffing changes in music, guidance, ESOL, and reading that reflect current student enrollment, program requirements, and student need, the biggest change in the 2015/16 budget is found in Special Education.

At last year's School District Meeting, the Board disclosed that it had hired the Southeastern Regional Education Service Center (SERESC) to perform an independent review of the cost effectiveness and efficiency of Special Education (SPED) programming at PES. SERESC's report found the SPED program at PES to be strong and competent. It also identified SPED staffing as an area of review for the administration and board (Full report can be read on the PES SAU Website).

As a result of the SERESC report, the administration undertook a comprehensive review of our SPED delivery model as well as the Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) of every SPED student at PES. Based on this 'ground up' review, the following staffing changes were made by the administration in the 2015/16 budgets:

- An increase in the SPED Director position from .4FTE to .6FTE;
- A reduction of 4 SPED educational assistant positions
- A reduction of 1 SPED case manager positions (SPED Teacher)
- The addition of 1 Regular Ed educational assistant (to offset Regular Ed support previously provided by the SPED team).

While these changes are significant, the Board and administration are confident the SPED needs of our children will be met effectively.

While expenses have fallen, so have revenues. State support for PES has dropped with our reduction in enrollment. Additionally, the surplus we traditionally carry from year-to-year is projected to be smaller due to an influx of new high school students that require tuition to Lebanon High School. Even after the School Board authorized a withdrawal of \$50,000 from the Special Education & Tuition Trust fund to soften the blow, revenues are projected to drop \$140,453 next fiscal year (excluding approved warrants from last District Meeting).

That said, on the final ledger (once all current year fund transfers are normalized), reductions in the expense budget exceeded the decreases in revenue. As a result, the proposed 2015/16 budget will require \$24,017 less from Plainfield Tax Payers than last year.

The Warrant Articles

This year's School District Meeting is also heavy on important warrant articles from the School Board and School District Meeting Committees.

- Article III: Learning Commons (\$61,700)

Authorizes the renovation of the library and computer room into a single 'Learning Commons' that combines traditional media, technology and small group workspaces into a new instructional space.

Benefit: Creates workspaces that allows children to learn and work in a 21st century environment; Organizes and quiets the environment so that this area becomes the school's center for instructional research and student centered learning.

- Article IV: Common Lunch (\$44,300)

Authorizes the purchase of tables, chairs, serving equipment, and renovation of the food service area to allow school lunch to be served in the Gym rather than each individual classroom.

Benefit: More efficient lunch process increases time for instruction in core curriculum; reduction of food in classroom provides cleaner, healthier classrooms; opportunity for cross grade interactions; teachers are freed from required, daily lunch 'duty' and given more opportunity for collaboration.

- Article V: Full Day Kindergarten

Authorizes the implementation of full-day kindergarten based on current class size policies and practices (no expected incremental cost on 2015/16 to implement).

Benefit: Educational value and impact of full day kindergarten without the cost and complexity of last year's approach.

- Article VI: AREA Agreement Review Committee

Vote on whether to continue the withdrawal process from the AREA agreement with Lebanon & Grantham in order to offer high school choice for our students. **Please read committee findings in your Town Report.**

- Article VII: Cornish Collaboration Committee

Vote to provide School Board with authorization to provide SAU services to Cornish. **Please read committee findings in your Town Report.**

- Article VIII: Solar Panel Authorization

Vote to provide School Board with authorization to install a ground mounted solar array on School property. **Please read committee findings in your Town Report.**

- Article IX: SPED & Tuition Reserve Fund (\$50,000)

Replenish SPED & Tuition Reserve Fund of monies withdrawn in FY 2014/15 to offset mid-year increases in students' tuition to Lebanon High School.

Benefit: Ensure the District has some insurance for a major tuition or SPED cost shock.

If all expense related warrant articles passed (Budget, Learning Commons, Lunch Service Area, and SPED/Tuition Reserve), the total approved expenditures would be \$6,065,329 - \$58,470 less than all expense related warrant articles passed last year. Due to a

decrease in expected revenue, Plainfield Taxpayers would have to provide an additional \$131,983.

The School Board and the community continue to owe a debt of gratitude to the Facilities Committee. The energy retrofits and grants managed and earned by this committee continue to save the taxpayers money and provide an outstanding learning environment for our children. Additionally, Plainfield School is powered and empowered by the community—their generous financial support and the hundreds (if not thousands) of volunteer hours they give. Last, and clearly not least, our staff is exemplary. The impact of declining enrollment has resulted in organizational challenges at every grade level. Our staff members, as always, have focused on our students, making sure that they continue to receive an outstanding educational experience.

As we finished the development of this report, we received and accepted the resignation of Gregory Vogt as Superintendent of Plainfield Elementary School, effective June 30, 2015. Please join the School Board in thanking Greg for his 4 years of service to our students and community and in wishing him the very best.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Forman

Board Chair

AREA REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

Final – January 6, 2015

Pursuant to the passage of Warrant Article V at the March 8, 2014, School District Meeting, the AREA Review Committee was established with the following charge:

The AREA Review Committee shall conduct a comprehensive study of the benefits and costs of withdrawal from the AREA Tuition Agreement between Plainfield and Lebanon and Grantham. The Committee will present its findings to the School Board in January of 2015 along with a recommendation that Plainfield either continue participation in the AREA Tuition Agreement with Lebanon or that the School Board formally initiate the process of withdrawal from the AREA Tuition Agreement in accordance with RSA 195-A:14. In addition, the Committee will present its findings and recommendations to the Annual School District Meeting in March 2015 for voters' consideration.

The Review Committee shall assess:

- The potential educational impact of implementing a school choice model for Plainfield's high school students.
- The economic impact(s) of withdrawal – both the immediate tax impact and the potential long term impacts.
- The potential social or demographic impacts that high-school choice could have on the community.
- Such other issues that the Committee shall deem relevant.

The AREA Review committee met seven times and gathered information from various sources including employees of the NH Department of Education, superintendents and board members of other districts, and community members. We found it difficult to get hard data about the impact that HS choice might have on the school and community. According to the NH DOE staff, only one other district in recent memory has left an AREA agreement to offer HS choice, and it is too early to have data about the effects of that decision. As a result, the conclusions we have reached about the impact of high school choice are based on the committee's best effort to make reasonable assumptions about the future.

Educational Impact:

First and foremost, the committee believes that providing alternative educational programs to our students is inherently beneficial. It allows parents and students to match their needs and aspirations to a program which will best support their future goals. Even for those students who follow a traditional path to Lebanon High School, as we believe that most of our students will, taking time to evaluate and make that choice will bring focus to their educational goals.

Second, we believe that giving our students the opportunity to make a choice will create a competitive environment for our area high schools which doesn't currently exist. All of the high schools in our area are losing enrollment, and PES students have an outstanding reputation for their academic and extracurricular skills. In particular, Plainfield students make up an important part of the Lebanon HS student body, and we believe that moving to a choice model

will positively impact the educational environment there. In addition, we believe that feedback about the strengths and weaknesses of our students from multiple high schools will strengthen our academic program, particularly in the middle-school grades.

Finally, anecdotal evidence suggests that offering high-school choice could bring new families to Plainfield. The dynamic nature of Dartmouth College and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center will continue to attract new families to the area, and offering high-school choice may be attractive to them. In addition, many young families expect to be actively involved in managing the education of their children, and high-school choice may be attractive to them. If the enrollment decline at PES slows as a result, it would be beneficial to the programs we offer.

Relationship with KUA:

According to NH Department of Education, KUA cannot be a choice school. Only those schools listed on the public school and academy list are eligible to receive tax supported tuition. It therefore seems that offering high school choice will not directly affect our students' or the community's relationship with KUA.

However, it is possible that individual families who would have chosen KUA would choose Hanover or another school if we offered tuition support. We don't anticipate that the number would be significant because the educational and social environment at KUA is unique in this area.

Economic impact:

The AREA agreement was initially negotiated at a time when high schools in the area were crowded, and the District wanted to insure that Plainfield students were guaranteed a high school placement. As an added benefit, the AREA agreement locked in a reduced tuition rate at LHS for our students. The demographic pressure has now reversed with area high schools facing declining enrollment; however, there is no way to offer high-school choice without incurring some additional costs for the District. Some of those costs are known and some have to be approximated, again using the best assumptions we can.

We know that leaving the AREA agreement will increase the tuition we pay to Lebanon. Historically, the savings to the district has been between \$450 and \$500 per student. Currently, the difference is \$430 where full tuition at LHS is \$14,425 and AREA tuition for LHS is \$13,994. Two years from now, which is the earliest that withdrawal from the AREA agreement could be completed, we are projected to have about 100 students at LHS. Consequently, we would add approximately \$45,000 to the LHS tuition budget at that time. We could also incur additional costs for students with IEPs or 504 plans as Lebanon holds non-AREA districts or parents liable for costs associated with an assigned para-educator and for services provided by specialists who are not employees of the Lebanon SAU. However, the incidence of these additional expenses is small (none in the last 3-4 years).

The District would also incur additional tuition expense for students who attend 'choice' high schools other than Lebanon. While we know that some districts have chosen to pay a fixed tuition with parents making up any difference, both

Lyme SAU and Haverhill Cooperative SAU have received legal opinions that requiring parents to pay additional tuition would be discriminatory and, therefore, illegal. The committee agrees with that opinion. For example, it would be unfair if a family chose Hanover or Hartford as the school which best met their child's needs and then was unable to send him/her because of the extra cost. Current tuition for potential choice schools are as follows: Hanover - \$19,327; Stevens - \$17,157; Windsor - \$15,800; and Hartford - \$14,900; Lebanon - \$14,425. While there is no guarantee of reductions, final tuition rates would be set in the tuition agreements established with each school.

Finally, it is possible that a family which would otherwise send a child to KUA would choose one of the 'choice' schools because of the economic support offered. We believe that the number would be very small, but each family making this decision would add a full tuition to District obligations. Currently we have 26 students at KUA.

Overall, with known and estimated costs, we project that the District tuition costs would increase between \$60,000 and \$85,000 the first year (FY18). It would increase \$15,000 to \$40,000 each of the subsequent three years as we added to the total number of students who choose schools other than Lebanon. In the fourth year, as student cohorts at each of the choice schools include grades 9-12, HS choice would result in added tuition costs between \$105,000 and \$205,000 using these estimates, a 9% to 18% increase over current tuition costs. In subsequent years, the total tuition amount would vary up and down depending on the number of high school students we have and the choices parents make for their children but would not vary significantly because of the move to HS choice.

Social and Demographic impact:

Based on the anecdotal evidence we have found, we believe that offering high-school choice to the community would bring new families to town. Plainfield has a number of homes for sale which are quite modest and would be financially feasible for many families. However, our taxes are relatively high (Plainfield ranks 170 of 227 on a state-wide basis), and the economic draw for the area centers around Dartmouth College and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. Again anecdotally, we believe that Hanover HS would be the major draw. The current Plainfield Master Plan states that *"...between 1979 and 2010 median family income in Plainfield rose faster than those for either Sullivan or Grafton Counties."* We believe that offering choice would likely support this trend.

Our Recommendation:

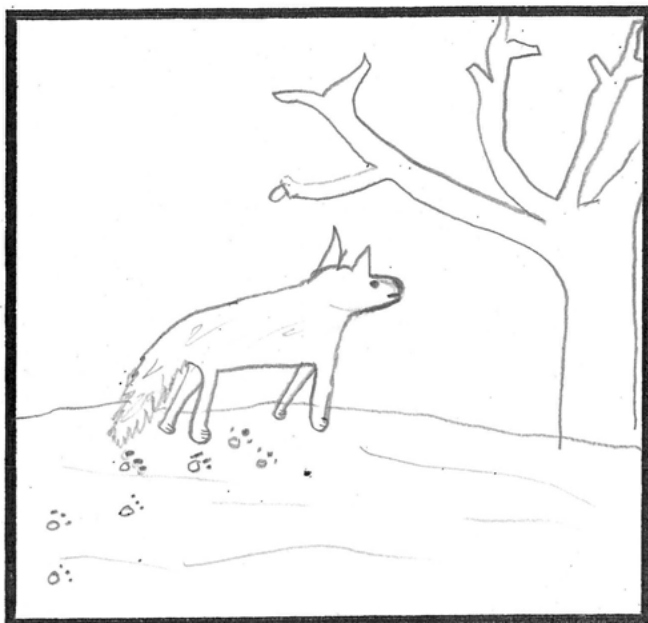
The committee recommends that the School Board place an article on the 2015 warrant which initiates, in accordance with RSA 195-A:14, the formal process¹ of Plainfield's (SAU 32) withdrawal from the AREA agreement with Lebanon (SAU 88) and Grantham (SAU 75). While the committee members unanimously believe that "providing alternative educational programs to our students is inherently beneficial", the vote to proceed was not unanimous. Two members voted against withdrawal from the AREA agreement, noting concerns over rising property taxes and a lack of hard evidence that Lebanon High School's program is inadequate for our students' needs or that other conditions have changed substantially since the ratification of the current agreement just three

years ago. However, the committee recognized and discussed the lack of certainty about the economic cost of offering HS choice and the resulting impact on the taxpayers. We also explored the quality of the Lebanon HS program and the requirements of the AREA agreement. Ultimately, a majority of the committee members felt that leaving the AREA agreement would result in educational and competitive benefits for our students and community that outweighed the probable costs.

Respectfully Submitted,
Randy Budner
Brandon Feid
Evelyn Fleming
Stephen Halleran
Mike Sutherland, Chair
Gregory Vogt (Non-voting)
Kate Whybrow

ⁱ Initiating the withdrawal process would result in the convening of a formal, three-district, study committee as outlined in RSA 195-A:14. That committee would determine that withdrawal was not feasible or submit a withdrawal plan, including specific tuition agreements with choice schools and a withdrawal timeline, and make a recommendation to the State Board of Education. Following review and approval by the NH BOE, the withdrawal plan would be presented to the Plainfield School District Meeting for approval. A District Meeting vote to approve the plan would be final.

Eleina DeMaggio



CORNISH COLLABORATION COMMITTEE REPORT

On March 8, 2014, the Plainfield School District voted to establish a Committee to study possible collaboration opportunities with the Cornish School District. This committee met a half dozen times beginning in August of 2014. A longer version of our report posted on the Plainfield School website (<http://www.plainfieldschool.org>), describes contextual elements (enrollment trends, historical perspective, Cornish' consideration of Cornish-Plainfield collaboration, and demographics of Plainfield, Cornish, and surrounding towns), and presents analytical details.

Approach and Analysis. Our committee aimed to inform evaluation of a range of options, both now and in the future, and to make recommendations about the path forward. Three models for delivering services and distributing students between the Cornish and Plainfield school buildings were considered:

- **Shared SAU services.** Each school remains independent with K-8 instruction in each building. Plainfield and Cornish would share Supervisory Administrative Unit services (Superintendent, Special Education Director, Business Manager), likely by forming a single SAU.
- **Lower School/Upper School.** Cornish & Plainfield utilize both school buildings to educate the children of both towns, with an 'Upper School' in one building and a 'Lower School' in another.
- **One school,** Cornish & Plainfield would utilize one building to educate the children of both towns.

These options were evaluated and compared to the status quo (separate school districts with no shared SAU services). Other options, for example having one school for most grades but with one or more early grades in both towns, are possible and worthy of evaluation.

Drawing upon the expertise of Dr. Vogt, our experience as school board members and/or parents, and any common sense we were able to muster, the Committee attempted to evaluate the educational quality impacts of the three models defined above. Anticipated impacts of continuing the status quo were also considered. In the Committee's view, the number of students per grade in one building is the most important feature of the various models from the point of view of educational quality. Specific factors impacting educational quality that are expected to improve with increasing numbers of students per grade in one building are listed in the long version of the report.

The Committee developed cost estimates using a detailed spreadsheet model developed for this purpose, informed by familiarity with operations and educational expenditures in Plainfield. As part of this, we obtained estimates for transportation costs for the three options defined above, subject to the condition that the maximum transport time would not be higher than is the case now. The committee believes that the *Shared SAU Services* model could be implemented with no additional costs to Plainfield taxpayers, and indeed that it is fair and appropriate to stipulate this as a condition of adopting this model. The *Lower School/Upper School* model does not appear to offer potential for large cost savings, and could incur modest cost increases depending on how it was implemented. The *One School* model appears to be an opportunity to achieve large cost savings. Taking all factors into consideration, our preliminary analysis indicates that the magnitude of projected annual reductions in the combined education budgets in Plainfield and Cornish for the One School model are at least \$500K as compared to the status quo, and possibly much more depending on how uncertainties are resolved and implementation decisions yet to be made. The cost of any renovation we can foresee would be considerably less than the

anticipated savings of the *One School* model in the first year it was implemented. Additional ongoing transportation costs associated either the *Lower School/Upper School* or *One School* models are also expected to be small in comparison to the savings expected from the *One School* model.

Framing our Choices. As outlined in Table 1, the committee believes that the status quo entails continued compromises with respect to educational quality, and risks related to maintaining quality while containing cost as well as loss of local control and declining property values. The *Shared SAU Services* model would likely result in small but positive changes relative to the status quo with respect to educational quality, neutral cost impact, and allow budgets to be independently set by Plainfield and Cornish voters as occurs now. We see no significant risks associated with the *Shared SAU Services* model. The *Lower School/Upper School* model offers substantial educational benefits relative to the status quo, neutral cost impact, and likely would entail formation of a single Plainfield/Cornish School district. The *One School* model offers substantial benefits with respect to both educational quality and cost, and likely would entail formation of a single Plainfield/Cornish School district. Formation of a single school district for both towns involves shared governance which may be seen as a risk, and also potential disruptions during transition. For the town that no longer had a school, a local focal point would be lost but a new link to a larger community would be gained.

Table 1. Summary Evaluation.

Model	Educational Quality	Cost Impact	Number of School Districts	Risks
Status quo	Continued compromises likely	Neutral	2	Challenging to maintain quality while containing cost. Possible loss of local control, declining property values.
Shared SAU Services	Positive but small	Neutral	2	Little or none.
Lower School/Upper School	Substantial benefits	Neutral	Likely 1	Shared governance by Cornish and Plainfield voters, transition-related disruption
One School	Substantial benefits	Large reduction	Likely 1	Shared governance by Cornish and Plainfield voters, transition-related disruption, loss of a community focal point

Recommendations. In light of the potential for substantial benefits with respect to both educational quality and cost reduction, the Committee recommends that the Plainfield community consider the possibility of eventually forming a single school district with Cornish responsible for educating the children of both towns. Such consideration should be approached with both due deliberation and a sense of urgency, will require detailed analysis and scenario development carried out in compliance with state statutes, and is expected to involve a multi-year effort. While we do not at this time endorse the substantial step of forming single school district with Cornish, we believe that there are compelling reasons to further analyze this option. The most feasible body to undertake such analysis would be a School Administrative Unit with joint responsibility for education in Plainfield and Cornish. It seems to us both possible and desirable that formation of a joint SAU with Cornish not involve increased costs borne by Plainfield tax payers and at least initially not involve any change in governance with respect to the policies and expenditures of the two schools. Assuming that these conditions are met, we

recommend that Plainfield proceed to form a joint SAU (as distinct from a joint School district) with Cornish as they have requested. We see such formation as entailing no significant costs or risks while offering positive, although small, educational benefits, and enabling Plainfield to evaluate more far-reaching options down the road that represent potentially positive solutions to challenges driven by declining enrollments.

Respectfully submitted,

Chrisie Danen
Kim Davies
Chris Forman
Paul Franklin (*ex officio*)
Andrea Keen
Lee Lynd (Chair)
Kathleen Maslan
Gregory Vogt

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FACILITIES REPORT

This year the Facilities Committee has been busy with discussions and preliminary planning related to a proposed solar photovoltaic system designed to meet the school's electrical energy needs for the next 30-40 years using renewable energy. Two Public Forums were held to inform the community of this proposed system.

The proposed system would be initially financed through a solar power purchase agreement (PPA) whereby the District would enter into a long term contract with a renewable solar energy builder developer who would arrange financing, build, maintain and own the system for the duration of the contract. The District would have the option to purchase the system for fair market value (FMV) after a minimum number of years. The monies budgeted to purchase electricity could then instead be used to pay down a bond. At that point in time, the FMV of the system is estimated to be around 40-60% of the original cost to build. Excess energy produced by the system would be sent back to the electrical grid and our electric utility would credit the District.

A comprehensive renewable energy grant application to the NH Public Utilities Commission - Sustainable Energy Division – was submitted in September and if awarded would reduce the upfront cost of the system. The grant requirements stipulated a minimum electricity demand and the school energy usage was borderline and would not qualify. A suggestion was made to partner with the Meriden Village Water District in order to qualify for the grant. The MVWD was approached and agreed to co-apply. We expect to hear the results in early March. If the District supports this plan, the administration and School Board would be able to begin the process of working with the renewable solar energy builder developer to work through contractual, legal and other issues that may arise.

The cost of electrical energy in New England is the highest in the continental United States and we believe it will continue to move higher. We are excited by this proposed project and recommend to the School Board and District to move forward with this plan. In the long term, the financial and environmental benefits will impact present and future members of the community in positive ways. Financially, it will provide the District long term budgeting price stability. Environmentally, it will further reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and reduce greenhouse gas emissions which we believe is very worthwhile.

The Committee reviewed replacement telephone system installation bids in the spring and made a recommendation to the School Board. A new system was installed over the summer and so far the system is working very well.

We have reviewed administration proposed interior building alterations and believe some of these changes make good sense from a facilities standpoint. We are also recommending the continued removal of classroom carpeting and replacing it with epoxy terrazzo floors similar to the main entry and lobby. This type of floor is expected to last nearly fifty years with greatly reduced yearly cleaning costs compared to carpet and will not allow mold spores to thrive. Between moisture migrating up through the concrete slab and food being spilled from above, the carpet is very difficult to keep clean and dry enough to prevent the formation of mold spores. We have been experiencing ongoing

issues with mold in the carpeting for some years now and believe it is prudent long term to move forward replacing carpeting throughout the building.

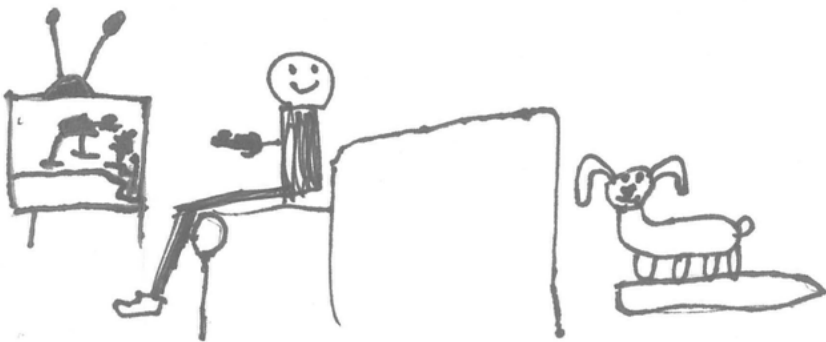
The underground 10,000 gallon oil tank has been officially and properly abandoned as of last summer. We have talked about getting rid of that tank for years and it is really good to know it is no longer in service.

Committee members include: Allan Ferguson, Brian Garfield (School Board), Mike Higgins, Bill Knight, Chris Pixley, Greg Vogt (Ex-officio and School Superintendent)

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Higgins

Sebastian Keen
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PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT – BUDGET ANALYSIS

2015-2016 Surplus –

We anticipate ending the 2014/2015 school year with an *estimated* surplus of \$112,561. We have carried this amount over to the 2015/2016 proposed Revenue Sheet. Estimated year end surplus may be used to fund warrant articles voted on by taxpayers. It is the practice of the School Board to return to taxpayers some amount of tuition surplus (if any.)

2015/2016 Expenditures –

Proposed expenditures for the 2015/2016 school year total \$5,909,329, a decrease of \$214,470 (-3.50%) over this year's budget of \$6,123,799.

****This analysis does not include the amounts and effects of FY 16 proposed Warrant Articles, which if passed will increase the expense total.**

Highlights of the Budget are as follows:

<i>Voter Approved 2014/2015</i>	6,123,799
Increases:	
<i>Lebanon High School Tuition</i>	30,787
<i>Co-Curricular (Advisor, Benefits, Coaches)</i>	1,309
<i>Health (Salary, Benefit)</i>	3,936
<i>Professional Development (New Software)</i>	7,229
<i>Library (Salary, Benefit, Supply)</i>	11,465
<i>SAU Office (Salary, Benefit, increase fte. Student Services Director)</i>	19,230
<i>Principal's Office (Salary, Benefit)</i>	10,585
<i>Operation of Building (Building Repairs)</i>	32,150
<i>Food Service (Salary, Benefit, Contracted Service Transfer)</i>	163
<i>Food Service Transfer</i>	372
 <i>Subtotal Increases</i>	 <u><u>+ 117,226</u></u>
Decreases:	
<i>Regular Education (Salary, Benefit, reduced fte. Music)</i>	69,593
<i>Special Education (Reduction: 1 Case Manager, 3 Paraprofessionals)</i>	161,550
<i>Guidance (Reduction in fte.)</i>	20,904
<i>Information Services</i>	12,062
<i>Transportation</i>	2,161
<i>Debt Service (Principal & Interest)</i>	3,126
<i>Special Education High School Tuition</i>	22,300
<i>Transfer (Warrant Article VII FY15)</i>	40,000
 <i>Subtotal Decreases</i>	 < 331,696 >
Total Net Budget Decrease	< 214,470 >
Proposed 2015/2016 Budget	<u><u>5,909,329</u></u>

Special Education-

This section of the budget shows the most significant change for 2015/2016. Next year, the district will be working with a reduction in this department of 4fte., one Case Manager and three Paraprofessionals. The cost impact spread across this category reduces the cost of the program by \$161,550 or a decrease of 15.27%.

LHS Tuition –

The A.R.E.A. agreement which regulates tuition rates for Plainfield Students attending LHS, calculates Plainfield and Grantham tuition. The tuition rate for the 2015/2016 school year is set at \$13,994. The Town of Plainfield will see no change in the rate over 2014/2015. This budget, as presented, projects 80.4 students attending LHS in September, compared to 78.2 projected students in 2014/2015. The total tuition budget for FY16 will increase \$30,787 over the 2014/2015 school year or 2.81%.

Operation of Building-

In 2015-2016, this category shows a significant increase in Building Maintenance and Repair. Two projects are included for the next school year; a prototype classroom will receive an epoxy-terrazzo floor and the main office will be outfitted with a new entryway. The cost of these two projects is \$15,000 and \$12,500 respectively.

2015/2016 Revenues -

Non Tax Revenues are *estimated* to be \$1,017,922, which is a decrease in revenue of \$190,453 over 2014/2015 budget. At this time, NH Adequacy Aid will be funded at an anticipated amount of \$663,956 which is an additional decrease of \$5,512 over 2014/2015.

2015/2016 Bottom Line -

Local tax dollars needed to support this effort decrease \$24,017 over FY15. The 2015/2016 estimated local tax effort of \$4,891,407 represents a .49% decrease over the 2014/2015 year's total of \$4,915,424.

The items set forth in this analysis *do not* include any of the separate warrant articles, which, if passed, will increase the tax effort necessary to fund those articles.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth Biewirth – Finance



Sophie Longacre

FY 16 Revenue Budget - School Board Approved 2/3/15

	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2014/2015	2015/2016	2015/2016	2015/2016	2015/2016	2015/2016	2015/2016
	Total	Total	Total	Official	Estimate	Proposed	14/15 Budget	14/15 Budget	14/15 Budget	14/15 Budget	% Incr. Over
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	MS-24	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL (EST.)	ACTUAL (EST.)	ACTUAL (EST.)	ACTUAL (EST.)	
LOCAL SOURCES:											
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ 80,957	\$ 162,511	\$ 212,881	\$ 223,363	\$ 223,363	\$ 112,561	\$ (110,802)	\$ (110,802)	\$ (110,802)	\$ (110,802)	-49.61%
Interest Income	\$ 1,847	\$ 256	\$ 31	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Food Service Revenues	\$ 33,535	\$ 38,020	\$ 45,455	\$ 38,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 38,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000	\$ -	15.79%
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ 7,833	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Tuition Revenues	\$ 22,147	\$ 3,210	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer in Food Service	\$ 115,000	\$ 24,797	\$ 13,359	\$ 32,749	\$ 31,940	\$ 33,121	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 372	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer from Reserve Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,344	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (50,000)	0.00%
Transfer from Bld Maint Reserve Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ 15,013	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (15,013)	0.00%
Transfer from Benefit Trust	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Deficit/Supplemental Approp	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Capital Project Bond	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Other	\$ 13,009	\$ 21,404	\$ 18,986	\$ 109,819	\$ 109,819	\$ 51,000	\$ (58,819)	\$ (58,819)	\$ (58,819)	\$ (58,819)	-53.56%
Total Local	\$ 274,328	\$ 825,198	\$ 403,057	\$ 404,231	\$ 462,435	\$ 234,982	\$ (169,249)	\$ (227,453)	\$ (227,453)	\$ (227,453)	-41.87%
STATE SOURCES:											
NH Adequacy Grant	\$ 794,931	\$ 794,931	\$ 710,696	\$ 669,468	\$ 669,468	\$ 663,956	\$ (5,512)	\$ (5,512)	\$ (5,512)	\$ (5,512)	-0.82%
NH Building Aid	\$ 31,502	\$ 31,502	\$ 13,834	\$ 13,834	\$ 13,834	\$ 13,834	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Catastrophic Aid	\$ 5,396	\$ 5,396	\$ 8,644	\$ 8,644	\$ 12,000	\$ 8,000	\$ (644)	\$ (644)	\$ (644)	\$ (644)	-46.27%
Child Nutrition	\$ 640	\$ 560	\$ 674	\$ 698	\$ 356	\$ 650	\$ (48)	\$ (48)	\$ (48)	\$ (48)	42.12%
Other	\$ 688	\$ 1,856	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total State	\$ 827,761	\$ 828,949	\$ 730,600	\$ 692,644	\$ 695,658	\$ 686,440	\$ (6,204)	\$ (6,204)	\$ (9,218)	\$ (9,218)	-0.90%
FEDERAL SOURCES:											
Federal Grant Programs	\$ 162,275	\$ 93,730	\$ 83,670	\$ 71,500	\$ 77,500	\$ 72,500	\$ -5,000	\$ -5,000	\$ -5,000	\$ -5,000	-6.45%
OEP Capital Improvement Grant	\$ 312,872	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	0.00%
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	0.00%
Child Nutrition	\$ 11,299	\$ 9,863	\$ 9,199	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	0.00%
Medicaid	\$ 26,441	\$ 52,927	\$ 20,469	\$ 25,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -10,000	\$ -10,000	\$ -10,000	\$ -10,000	-40.00%
Other	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	0.00%
Total Federal	\$ 512,887	\$ 156,520	\$ 113,337	\$ 111,500	\$ 101,500	\$ 96,500	\$ -15,000	\$ -15,000	\$ -5,000	\$ -5,000	-13.45%
TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	\$ 1,614,976	\$ 1,810,567	\$ 1,246,993	\$ 1,208,375	\$ 1,259,593	\$ 1,017,922	\$ -190,453	\$ -190,453	\$ -241,671	\$ -241,671	-15.76%
Property Tax Dollars Needed	\$ 4,643,522	\$ 4,786,516	\$ 4,962,642	\$ 4,915,424	\$ 4,915,424	\$ 4,891,407	\$ -24,017	\$ -24,017	\$ -24,017	\$ -24,017	-0.49%
TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET	\$ 6,258,498	\$ 6,597,083	\$ 6,209,635	\$ 6,123,799	\$ 6,175,017	\$ 5,909,329	\$ -214,470	\$ -214,470	\$ -265,688	\$ -265,688	-3.50%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 6,258,498	\$ 6,597,083	\$ 6,209,635	\$ 6,123,799	\$ 6,175,017	\$ 5,909,329	\$ -214,470	\$ -214,470	\$ -265,688	\$ -265,688	-3.50%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 6,095,917	\$ 6,384,202	\$ 5,986,273	\$ 6,123,799	\$ 6,062,456	\$ 5,909,329	\$ -214,470	\$ -214,470	\$ -153,128	\$ -153,128	-3.50%
SURPLUS OR (DEFICIT)	\$ 162,581	\$ 212,881	\$ 223,363	\$ 0	\$ 112,561	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ -112,561	\$ -112,561	0.00%

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	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2014/2015	2015/2016	2015/2016	2015-2016	2015-2016
	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year Actual	Approved BUDGET	Estimate ACTUAL	Proposed BUDGET	\$\$ Increase 14/15 Budget	\$\$ Increase 14/15 ACTUAL (EST)	% Incr. Over 14/15 Budget
1- REGULAR INSTRUCTION										
Teacher Salaries	\$ 1,155,434	\$ 1,136,099	\$ 1,126,859	\$ 1,236,878	\$ 1,260,629	\$ 1,249,787	\$ 1,174,270	\$ (86,359)	\$ (75,518)	-6.85%
Ed Assistant Salaries	\$ 21,287	\$ 33,806	\$ 10,067	\$ 15,633	\$ 23,546	\$ 23,910	\$ 42,756	\$ 19,210	\$ 18,846	81.58%
Tutors	\$ 1,539	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Substitutes	\$ 36,368	\$ 26,315	\$ 21,589	\$ 26,500	\$ 23,000	\$ 36,000	\$ 23,000	\$ -	\$ (13,000)	0.00%
Employee Benefits	\$ 436,978	\$ 452,935	\$ 493,443	\$ 530,982	\$ 600,546	\$ 588,336	\$ 657,886	\$ 57,340	\$ 69,550	9.55%
Contracted Services	\$ 8,428	\$ 8,001	\$ 8,961	\$ 7,167	\$ 24,610	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,240	\$ 630	\$ 5,240	2.66%
Contracted Services 504	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Equipment Repair	\$ 434	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 500	0.00%
Supplies	\$ 35,862	\$ 40,993	\$ 32,062	\$ 40,017	\$ 31,470	\$ 26,000	\$ 35,439	\$ 3,969	\$ 9,439	12.61%
Textbooks	\$ 5,652	\$ 8,312	\$ 5,273	\$ 13,695	\$ 13,695	\$ 3,695	\$ 7,984	\$ (5,701)	\$ (2,985)	-41.63%
Software	\$ 21,454	\$ 2,133	\$ 4,114	\$ 5,010	\$ 5,725	\$ 5,725	\$ 2,740	\$ (2,985)	\$ (2,985)	-52.14%
New/Replacement Equipment	\$ 13,412	\$ 8,384	\$ 3,644	\$ 5,665	\$ 1,325	\$ 1,325	\$ 680	\$ (645)	\$ (645)	-48.68%
Furniture	\$ 3,004	\$ 7,222	\$ -	\$ 11,015	\$ 3,525	\$ 3,525	\$ 10,119	\$ 6,594	\$ 6,594	187.06%
Dues & Fees	\$ 13,765	\$ 7,404	\$ 10,369	\$ 10,306	\$ 12,045	\$ 10,000	\$ 13,523	\$ 1,388	\$ 3,433	11.52%
Sub Total Regular Instruction K-8	\$ 1,753,183	\$ 1,732,038	\$ 1,716,580	\$ 1,898,367	\$ 2,001,116	\$ 1,968,803	\$ 1,931,523	\$ (69,593)	\$ (37,280)	-3.48%
Tuition Lebanon High School	\$ 4,276,721	\$ 1,329,907	\$ 1,231,557	\$ 1,172,338	\$ 1,094,331	\$ 1,121,357	\$ 1,125,118	\$ 30,787	\$ -	2.81%
Total Regular Instruction K-12	\$ 3,029,904	\$ 3,061,945	\$ 2,948,137	\$ 3,070,705	\$ 3,095,447	\$ 3,090,160	\$ 3,056,641	\$ (38,806)	\$ (37,280)	-1.25%
2- SPECIAL EDUCATION										
Teacher Salaries	\$ 244,280	\$ 289,551	\$ 263,812	\$ 225,783	\$ 240,277	\$ 238,251	\$ 184,686	\$ (55,591)	\$ (53,565)	-23.14%
Ed Assistant Salaries	\$ 250,067	\$ 197,714	\$ 284,909	\$ 286,318	\$ 266,474	\$ 272,764	\$ 197,372	\$ (69,102)	\$ (75,392)	-25.93%
Extended Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,271	\$ 11,215	\$ 12,000	\$ 8,860	\$ 12,000	\$ -	\$ 3,140	0.00%
Substitutes	\$ 14,750	\$ 19,398	\$ 13,890	\$ 8,973	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 11,970	\$ (30)	\$ (30)	-0.25%
Employee Benefits	\$ 246,301	\$ 284,955	\$ 314,118	\$ 310,066	\$ 351,215	\$ 349,553	\$ 286,364	\$ (64,851)	\$ (63,190)	-18.46%
Contracted Services	\$ 79,594	\$ 81,457	\$ 78,813	\$ 73,721	\$ 69,600	\$ 75,966	\$ 106,500	\$ 16,900	\$ 30,534	18.86%
Tuition	\$ 39,616	\$ 2,535	\$ 58,105	\$ 69,198	\$ 75,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	13.33%
Legal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 409	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Supplies	\$ 2,851	\$ 1,679	\$ 832	\$ 2,053	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ (400)	0.00%
Books	\$ 44	\$ 25	\$ 123	\$ 122	\$ -	\$ 357	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ (257)	0.00%
Software	\$ 391	\$ -	\$ 216	\$ 226	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,073	\$ 3,073	\$ 3,073	307.30%
Testing	\$ 715	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	0.00%
Equipment	\$ 1,464	\$ 1,539	\$ 120	\$ 2,496	\$ 1,775	\$ 850	\$ 406	\$ (1,369)	\$ (444)	-77.13%
Furniture	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86	\$ 187	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (400)	\$ -	-100.00%
New/Replacement Computers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 966	\$ 1,454	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (400)	\$ -	-100.00%
Dues/Fees/Travel	\$ 1,389	\$ 632	\$ 744	\$ 1,385	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,120	\$ (880)	\$ (880)	-29.33%
Sub Total Special Education K-8	\$ 881,462	\$ 879,485	\$ 1,026,103	\$ 993,606	\$ 1,058,141	\$ 1,048,001	\$ 896,591	\$ (161,550)	\$ (151,410)	-15.37%
Life Skills Coach HS	\$ -	\$ 10,423	\$ 7,243	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ 426	\$ 554	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Contracted Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 945	\$ 1,175	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,565	\$ 2,000	\$ (500)	\$ (565)	-20.00%
High School Special Education Tuition	\$ -	\$ 10,851	\$ 17,204	\$ 41,790	\$ 65,000	\$ 40,047	\$ 43,200	\$ (21,800)	\$ 3,153	-33.54%
Sub Total Special Education 9-12	\$ -	\$ 10,851	\$ 17,204	\$ 42,965	\$ 67,500	\$ 42,612	\$ 45,200	\$ (22,300)	\$ 2,588	-33.04%
Total Special Education K-12	\$ 881,462	\$ 890,335	\$ 1,043,307	\$ 1,036,571	\$ 1,125,641	\$ 1,090,613	\$ 941,791	\$ (183,850)	\$ (148,822)	-16.33%

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	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2014/2015	2015/2016	2015-2016	2015-2016	2015-2016
	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year Actual	Approved BUDGET	Estimate ACTUAL	Proposed BUDGET	14/15 Budget	14/15 ACTUAL (EST)	14/15 Budget
									\$\$ Increase	2015-2016 % Incr. Over 14/15 Budget
6 - STAFF/ CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT										
Salaries	\$ 10,420	\$ 5,700	\$ 10,560	\$ 5,905	\$ 8,500	\$ 8,500	\$ 3,500	\$ (5,000)	\$ (5,000)	\$ -58.82%
Curriculum Work	\$ -	\$ 8,150	\$ 3,917	\$ 6,400	\$ 6,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 0.00%
Benefits	\$ -	\$ 2,385	\$ 3,116	\$ 2,385	\$ 4,035	\$ 4,035	\$ 4,314	\$ 279	\$ 279	\$ 6.92%
Substitutes	\$ -	\$ 2,975	\$ 2,730	\$ 1,960	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,200	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ 1,800	\$ 0.00%
Staff Development-Teachers	\$ 11,337	\$ 9,050	\$ 10,819	\$ 8,201	\$ 11,200	\$ 11,200	\$ 11,200	\$ -	\$ (800)	\$ -19.05%
Staff Development-Support Staff	\$ 3,720	\$ 2,481	\$ 1,028	\$ 1,760	\$ 4,200	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,400	\$ -	\$ (800)	\$ 0.00%
Prof. Dvlp-College Coursework	\$ 6,078	\$ 4,360	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,975	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00%
Staff Training Workshops	\$ 18,468	\$ 9,890	\$ 6,827	\$ 8,924	\$ 8,750	\$ 5,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 6,250	\$ 10,000	\$ 71.43%
Professional Development Software	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 0.00%
Staff Travel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00%
Supplies/Resource Books	\$ 2,760	\$ 3,390	\$ 2,254	\$ 1,027	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,789	\$ 2,000	\$ 500	\$ 211	\$ 33.33%
Total Staff/ Curric Development	\$ 52,783	\$ 45,997	\$ 43,451	\$ 38,538	\$ 54,685	\$ 47,424	\$ 61,914	\$ 7,229	\$ 14,491	\$ 13.22%
7 - LIBRARY										
Teacher Salaries	\$ 29,496	\$ 998	\$ 32,869	\$ 34,938	\$ 36,898	\$ 36,898	\$ 38,968	\$ 2,070	\$ 2,070	\$ 5.61%
Ed Assistant Salaries	\$ 13,666	\$ 21,658	\$ 22,382	\$ 16,681	\$ 18,945	\$ 22,394	\$ 25,367	\$ 6,422	\$ 2,973	\$ 33.90%
Employee Benefits	\$ 36,054	\$ 36,746	\$ 35,292	\$ 11,588	\$ 52,600	\$ 52,708	\$ 53,088	\$ 488	\$ 380	\$ 0.93%
Contracted Services	\$ 989	\$ 1,268	\$ 1,157	\$ 1,157	\$ 1,525	\$ 1,525	\$ 1,925	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 26.23%
Supplies	\$ 987	\$ 1,306	\$ 887	\$ 766	\$ 900	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 11.11%
Books	\$ 3,912	\$ 3,670	\$ 3,172	\$ 5,094	\$ 5,765	\$ 5,765	\$ 7,950	\$ 2,185	\$ 2,185	\$ 37.90%
Software	\$ 949	\$ 828	\$ 403	\$ 886	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ (500)	\$ -	\$ -33.33%
Equipment	\$ -	\$ 1,172	\$ 268	\$ 365	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 300	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 50.00%
Furniture	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ 297	\$ 500	\$ 300	\$ 394	\$ 500	\$ 200	\$ 106	\$ 66.67%
Total Library	\$ 86,053	\$ 67,846	\$ 97,021	\$ 71,979	\$ 118,633	\$ 121,783	\$ 130,098	\$ 11,465	\$ 8,315	\$ 9.66%
8 - INFORMATION SERVICES										
Supplies	\$ 363	\$ 358	\$ 747	\$ 906	\$ 1,200	\$ 800	\$ 1,800	\$ 600	\$ 1,000	\$ 50.00%
Software	\$ 4,388	\$ 500	\$ 860	\$ 2,215	\$ 2,160	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,240	\$ 2,080	\$ 3,240	\$ 96.30%
New/Replacement Equipment	\$ 888	\$ 169	\$ 716	\$ 11,420	\$ 5,460	\$ 6,244	\$ 4,550	\$ (910)	\$ (1,694)	\$ -16.67%
Contracted Services	\$ 14,468	\$ 8,287	\$ 7,252	\$ 25,265	\$ 14,800	\$ 12,500	\$ 9,080	\$ (5,720)	\$ (3,420)	\$ -38.65%
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 44,438	\$ 56,963	\$ 48,048	\$ 51,468	\$ 85,192	\$ 95,534	\$ 75,480	\$ (20,054)	\$ (20,054)	\$ -11.40%
Dues/Fees	\$ 4,785	\$ 725	\$ 3,416	\$ 995	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,600	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,600	\$ 160.00%
Total Information Services	\$ 69,230	\$ 67,002	\$ 89,039	\$ 92,268	\$ 109,812	\$ 117,078	\$ 97,750	\$ (12,062)	\$ (19,328)	\$ -10.98%

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	2010/2011 Total Year ACTUAL	2011/2012 Total Year ACTUAL	2012/2013 Total Year ACTUAL	2013/2014 Total Year Actual	2014/2015		2015/2016		2015-2016 \$\$ Increase 14/15 Budget	2015-2016 \$\$ Increase 14/15 ACTUAL (EST)	2015-2016 % Incr. Over 14/15 Budget
					Approved BUDGET	Estimate ACTUAL	Proposed BUDGET				
9 - SCHOOL BOARD											
School Board Stipends	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,550	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Treasurer Stipend	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Advertising	\$ 767	\$ 284	\$ 3,141	\$ 655	\$ 700	\$ 3,500	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ -	\$ (2,800)	0.00%
Board Travel, Meetings, etc	\$ 2,360	\$ 659	\$ 1,378	\$ 1,090	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Criminal Records Checks	\$ 1,547	\$ 610	\$ 820	\$ 721	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Recording Secretary	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,162	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,875	\$ 1,875	\$ 1,875	\$ 1,875	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Dues	\$ 3,196	\$ 3,395	\$ 3,196	\$ 4,261	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Legal Services	\$ 5,446	\$ 8,574	\$ 6,000	\$ 8,581	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,200	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 2,800	0.00%
Auditor Services	\$ 9,500	\$ 8,850	\$ 8,950	\$ 8,950	\$ 8,950	\$ 8,950	\$ 8,950	\$ 8,950	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
District Meeting Expenses	\$ 858	\$ 754	\$ 965	\$ 1,010	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total School Board	\$ 25,824	\$ 26,236	\$ 27,620	\$ 28,818	\$ 28,175	\$ 28,175	\$ 28,175	\$ 28,175	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
10 - SAU OFFICE											
Salaries	\$ 115,494	\$ 116,413	\$ 126,004	\$ 152,968	\$ 161,289	\$ 165,359	\$ 177,196	\$ 15,907	\$ 11,837	\$ 9,86%	
Contracted Services	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,157	\$ 615	\$ 6,363	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Employee Benefits	\$ 18,470	\$ 23,839	\$ 25,012	\$ 34,670	\$ 33,162	\$ 33,260	\$ 36,485	\$ 3,323	\$ 3,225	\$ 10.02%	
Telephone	\$ 985	\$ 943	\$ 1,304	\$ 997	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Supplies/Advertising	\$ 6,812	\$ 702	\$ 3,114	\$ 7,251	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Dues, Fees, Meetings, Travel	\$ 5,597	\$ 5,184	\$ 7,618	\$ 4,335	\$ 6,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ (1,000)	\$ (1,000)	0.00%
Software/Equipment	\$ 447	\$ 3,970	\$ 1,656	\$ 2,819	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total SAU Office	\$ 153,805	\$ 156,208	\$ 165,322	\$ 209,403	\$ 213,151	\$ 218,320	\$ 232,381	\$ 19,230	\$ 14,062	\$ 9.02%	

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	2011/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015		2015/2016	2015-2016	2015-2016	2015-2016
	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year ACTUAL	Total Year Actual	Approved BUDGET	Estimate ACTUAL	Proposed BUDGET	\$ \$ Increase 14/15 Budget	\$ \$ Increase 14/15 ACTUAL (EST)	% Incr. Over 14/15 Budget
11 - PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE										
Administrative Salaries	\$ 83,973	\$ 85,483	\$ 88,642	\$ 90,146	\$ 91,952	\$ 85,715	\$ 93,755	\$ 1,803	\$ 8,040	1.96%
Assistant to the Principal Salary	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,250	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Office/Secretarial Salaries	\$ 59,331	\$ 61,408	\$ 63,561	\$ 61,358	\$ 62,988	\$ 63,198	\$ 65,382	\$ 2,394	\$ 2,184	3.80%
Employee Benefits	\$ 67,385	\$ 63,304	\$ 70,847	\$ 69,140	\$ 75,727	\$ 73,659	\$ 82,210	\$ 6,483	\$ 8,551	8.56%
Contracted Services	\$ 7,967	\$ 8,554	\$ 6,790	\$ 9,249	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Telephone	\$ 4,053	\$ 4,086	\$ 3,929	\$ 4,262	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Postage	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,835	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Printing	\$ 651	\$ 179	\$ -	\$ 613	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Travel	\$ 987	\$ 1,088	\$ 851	\$ 872	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Supplies	\$ 912	\$ 732	\$ 636	\$ 664	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Equipment	\$ -	\$ 640	\$ 645	\$ 65	\$ 750	\$ 750	\$ 750	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Furniture & Fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,246	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,246)	0.00%
New Computers & Networking Equip	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,291	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,291)	0.00%
Dues & Fees	\$ 1,470	\$ 2,341	\$ 1,509	\$ 2,499	\$ 3,975	\$ 3,975	\$ 3,880	\$ (95)	\$ (95)	-2.39%
Total Principal's Office	\$ 233,929	\$ 235,314	\$ 245,459	\$ 242,702	\$ 258,592	\$ 254,034	\$ 269,177	\$ 10,585	\$ 15,143	4.09%
12 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS										
Medical Insurance	\$ 557,854	\$ 557,854	\$ 545,006	\$ 622,749	\$ 636,030	\$ 618,849	\$ 645,160	\$ 9,130	\$ 26,311	1.44%
Dental Insurance	\$ 40,593	\$ 40,593	\$ 57,254	\$ 58,032	\$ 58,486	\$ 55,939	\$ 53,175	\$ (5,291)	\$ (7,764)	-9.05%
Life & A&D Insurance	\$ 7,854	\$ 7,854	\$ 7,922	\$ 5,529	\$ 7,870	\$ 8,027	\$ 7,856	\$ (14)	\$ (171)	-0.18%
Disability Insurance	\$ 15,119	\$ 15,119	\$ 15,254	\$ 11,504	\$ 15,170	\$ 15,472	\$ 15,143	\$ (27)	\$ (330)	-0.18%
Flex Plan Administration	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 480	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
F.I.C.A.	\$ 173,093	\$ 172,093	\$ 176,344	\$ 177,474	\$ 187,288	\$ 190,902	\$ 178,550	\$ (8,718)	\$ (12,351)	-4.86%
Retirement	\$ 143,321	\$ 195,041	\$ 201,703	\$ 274,784	\$ 266,404	\$ 266,815	\$ 279,943	\$ 13,539	\$ 13,128	5.08%
Workers' Comp Insurance	\$ 7,296	\$ 7,296	\$ 15,359	\$ 6,784	\$ 15,746	\$ 16,017	\$ 16,031	\$ 285	\$ 14	1.81%
Annuitiies	\$ 42,825	\$ 52,825	\$ 40,303	\$ 39,677	\$ 43,297	\$ 43,553	\$ 42,706	\$ (591)	\$ (847)	-1.36%
Unemployment Comp Insurance	\$ 2,568	\$ 2,568	\$ -	\$ 79	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Subtotal Employee Benefits	\$ 990,523	\$ 1,052,243	\$ 1,060,145	\$ 1,197,092	\$ 1,231,251	\$ 1,216,574	\$ 1,239,564	\$ 8,313	\$ 22,990	0.68%
Transfer to Other Functions	\$ 990,523	\$ 1,052,243	\$ 1,060,145	\$ 1,197,093	\$ 1,231,251	\$ 1,216,574	\$ 1,239,564	\$ 8,313	\$ 22,990	0.68%
Net Total Employee Benefits										

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					Approved BUDGET	Estimate ACTUAL		\$ \$ Increase 14/15 Budget	\$ \$ Increase 14/15 ACTUAL (EST)	
13 - FEDERAL GRANTS										
IDEA (Spec Ed)	\$ 51,591	\$ 50,223	\$ 63,213	\$ 47,491	\$ 49,000	\$ 49,000	\$ 49,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Pre School	\$ 2,440	\$ 1,840	\$ 2,018	\$ 2,059	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
IDEA AARA	\$ 21,955	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Pre School AARA	\$ -	\$ 347	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Title 1 (Improving Academic Achievement)	\$ -	\$ 29,106	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Title 2 (Quality Teachers)	\$ 4,784	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,456	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Title 5 (Innovative)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Title 4 (Safe & Drug Free Schools)	\$ -	\$ 1,327	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Federal Ed School Grant	\$ -	\$ 30,745	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Rural Education (REAP) Grant	\$ 27,043	\$ 44,143	\$ 28,501	\$ 28,662	\$ 26,500	\$ 26,500	\$ 26,500	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total Grants	\$ 107,813	\$ 162,275	\$ 93,731	\$ 83,669	\$ 77,500	\$ 77,500	\$ 77,500	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
14 - OPERATION OF BUILDING										
Custodial Salaries/Wages	\$ 89,476	\$ 95,916	\$ 101,302	\$ 95,549	\$ 96,383	\$ 94,460	\$ 101,993	\$ 5,610	\$ 7,534	5.82%
Employee Benefits	\$ 40,807	\$ 47,519	\$ 48,428	\$ 28,859	\$ 35,203	\$ 37,140	\$ 40,512	\$ 5,309	\$ 3,372	15.06%
Contracted Services	\$ 31,593	\$ 47,411	\$ 46,958	\$ 35,947	\$ 54,359	\$ 54,359	\$ 33,750	\$ (20,609)	\$ (20,609)	-37.91%
Building Repairs	\$ 5,673	\$ 28,713	\$ 44,744	\$ 67,371	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 73,100	\$ 39,100	\$ 39,100	115.00%
Property & Liability Insurance	\$ 10,091	\$ 10,782	\$ 10,714	\$ 11,157	\$ 11,938	\$ 11,938	\$ 11,678	\$ (260)	\$ (260)	-2.18%
Supplies	\$ 14,918	\$ 7,981	\$ 15,374	\$ 14,735	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Propane	\$ 22,215	\$ 20,303	\$ 19,604	\$ 25,201	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Sewer Fees	\$ 6,000	\$ 46,735	\$ -	\$ 16,702	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Equipment (New & Replacement)	\$ 3,109	\$ 4,843	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Staff Travel	\$ 274	\$ 300	\$ 406	\$ 356	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 3,000	\$ (3,000)	60.00%
Dues/Fees	\$ 564	\$ 450	\$ 450	\$ 600	\$ 575	\$ 575	\$ 575	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total Operation of Building	\$ 300,969	\$ 310,954	\$ 293,811	\$ 307,241	\$ 294,958	\$ 300,972	\$ 327,108	\$ 32,150	\$ 26,137	10.90%
15 - TRANSPORTATION										
Special Edu. Transportation Salary/W	\$ 10,080	\$ 11,834	\$ 812	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Special Edu. Transportation Benefit	\$ 569	\$ 429	\$ 733	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Student Transportation	\$ 166,808	\$ 160,030	\$ 128,788	\$ 166,360	\$ 169,687	\$ 169,687	\$ 175,081	\$ 3,394	\$ 3,394	2.00%
Special Ed Transportation (M&R)	\$ 5,033	\$ 362	\$ 36,042	\$ 30,602	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 39,445	\$ (5,555)	\$ (5,555)	-12.34%
Athletic Trips	\$ 2,788	\$ 2,738	\$ 4,010	\$ 2,561	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Field Trips	\$ 6,335	\$ 6,352	\$ 32,604	\$ 6,966	\$ 8,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
HS Student Transportation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total Transportation	\$ 191,613	\$ 181,745	\$ 212,183	\$ 206,489	\$ 226,687	\$ 213,187	\$ 224,526	\$ (2,161)	\$ 11,339	-0.95%

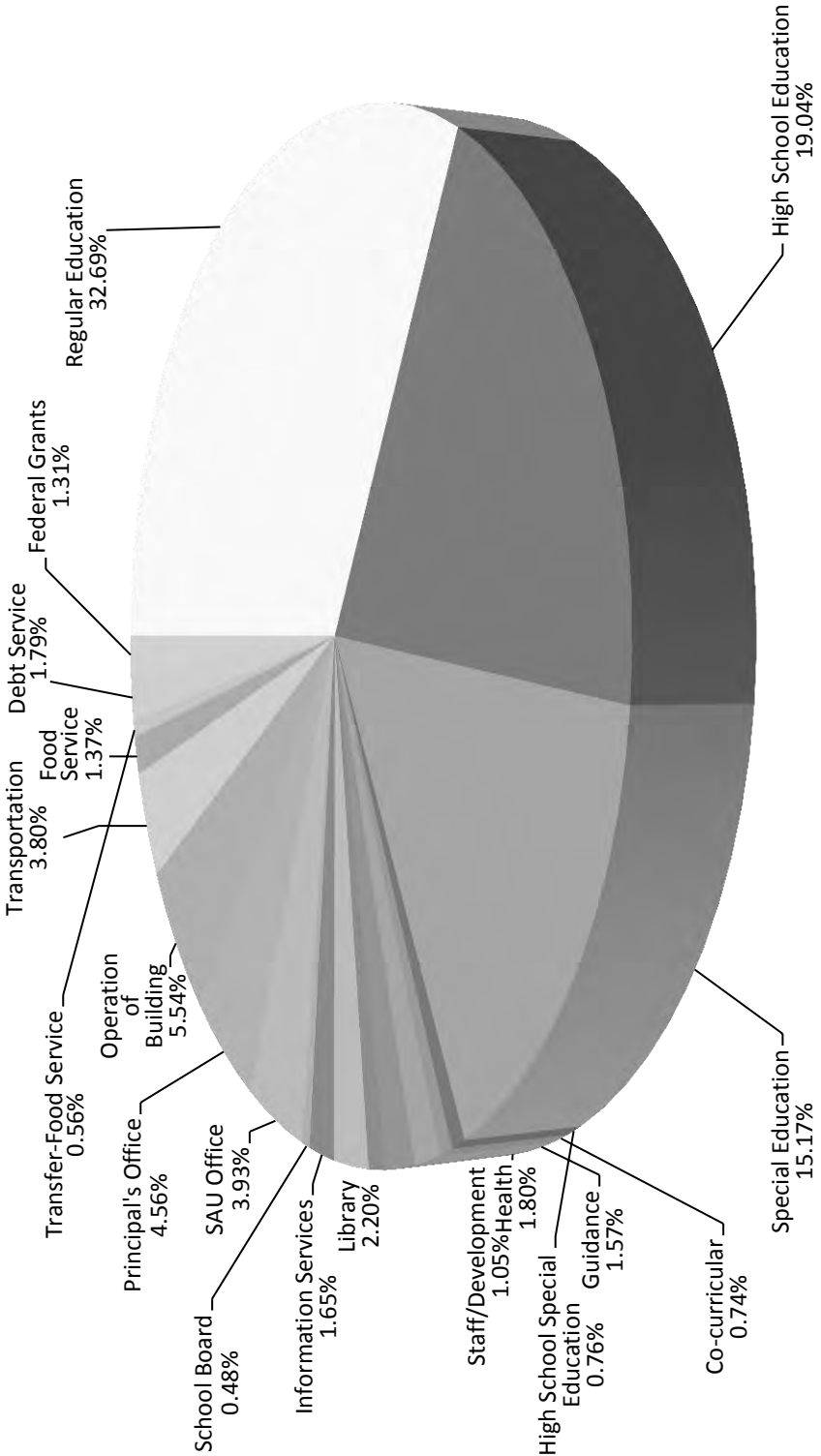
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	2010/2011 Total Year ACTUAL	2011/2012 Total Year ACTUAL	2012/2013 Total Year ACTUAL	2013/2014 Total Year Actual	2014/2015 Approved BUDGET	2014/2015 Estimate ACTUAL	2015/2016 Proposed BUDGET	2015-2016 \$\$ Increase 14/15 Budget	2015-2016 \$\$ Increase 14/15 ACTUAL (EST)	2015-2016 % Incr. Over 14/15 Budget
16-- FOOD SERVICES										
Salaries	\$ 13,229	\$ 7,893	\$ 13,360	\$ 14,108	\$ 16,551	\$ 16,535	\$ 16,971	\$ 420	\$ 436	2.54%
Employee Benefits	\$ 13,795	\$ 546	\$ 1,123	\$ 1,144	\$ 2,587	\$ 2,581	\$ 2,650	\$ 93	\$ 69	3.63%
Contracted Services	\$ 39,981	\$ 48,500	\$ 49,496	\$ 44,451	\$ 48,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 48,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000	0.00%
Repairs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 480	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transportation	\$ 3,780	\$ 4,891	\$ 4,500	\$ 3,910	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,180	\$ 7,650	\$ (390)	\$ (1,530)	-4.38%
Supplies	\$ 5,126	\$ 4,809	\$ 4,780	\$ 4,875	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,500	\$ -	\$ 500	0.00%
Total Food Service	\$ 75,911	\$ 66,740	\$ 73,259	\$ 68,667	\$ 80,608	\$ 73,296	\$ 80,771	\$ 163	\$ 7,475	0.20%
17 - DEBT SERVICE										
Principal	\$ 145,000	\$ 94,500	\$ 95,000	\$ 93,500	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Interest	\$ 10,040	\$ 16,224	\$ 22,228	\$ 26,840	\$ 23,813	\$ 23,813	\$ 20,888	\$ (3,126)	\$ (3,126)	-13.13%
Interest (NAV Bond (Est/limited))	\$ 22,584	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Contracted Debt Service	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Total Debt Service	\$ 177,624	\$ 111,024	\$ 124,728	\$ 120,340	\$ 108,813	\$ 108,813	\$ 105,688	\$ (3,126)	\$ (3,126)	-2.87%
18 - TRANSFERS										
Capital Outlay - Building Improvement										
Trans. Maint. Trust	\$ 55,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Trans. Spec. Ed. Trust	\$ 39,432	\$ 60,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Trans. Food Service	\$ 22,337	\$ 22,147	\$ 60,000	\$ 13,359	\$ 32,749	\$ 31,940	\$ 33,121	\$ 372	\$ 372	1.14%
Trans Benefit Trust	\$ 25,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 24,797	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total Transfers	\$ 86,769	\$ 167,147	\$ 114,797	\$ 53,359	\$ 32,749	\$ 31,940	\$ 33,121	\$ 372	\$ 1,181	1.14%
SUB TOTAL GENERAL ED EXPENDIT	\$ 5,706,704	\$ 5,783,045	\$ 5,809,202	\$ 5,873,929	\$ 6,083,799	\$ 6,022,456	\$ 5,909,329	\$ (174,470)	\$ (113,128)	-2.87%
19-- Other										
FY4 Warrant III	\$ 98,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
FY4 Warrant IV	\$ 338,242	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer SB Maint Trust	\$ -	\$ 312,872	\$ 575,000	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer SB Tuition	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,344	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer SB Tuition (FY15 Warrant)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (40,000)	0.00%
Total Other	\$ 437,137	\$ 312,872	\$ 575,000	\$ 112,344	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (40,000)	0.00%
TOTAL GENERAL ED EXPENDITURES	\$ 6,143,841	\$ 6,095,917	\$ 6,384,202	\$ 5,986,273	\$ 6,123,799	\$ 6,062,456	\$ 5,909,329	\$ (214,470)	\$ (153,128)	-3.50%
Trust Funds										
Building Maintenance Reserve Fund										
Special Education / Tuition Fund										
Capital Reserve Fund										
Ending Balance June 30, 2014	\$ 65,180	\$ 49,728	\$ 200,729	\$ 15,013	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Addition FY15 (To be transferred Current Balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ (15,013)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
GOAL	\$ 65,180	\$ 49,728	\$ 240,729	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

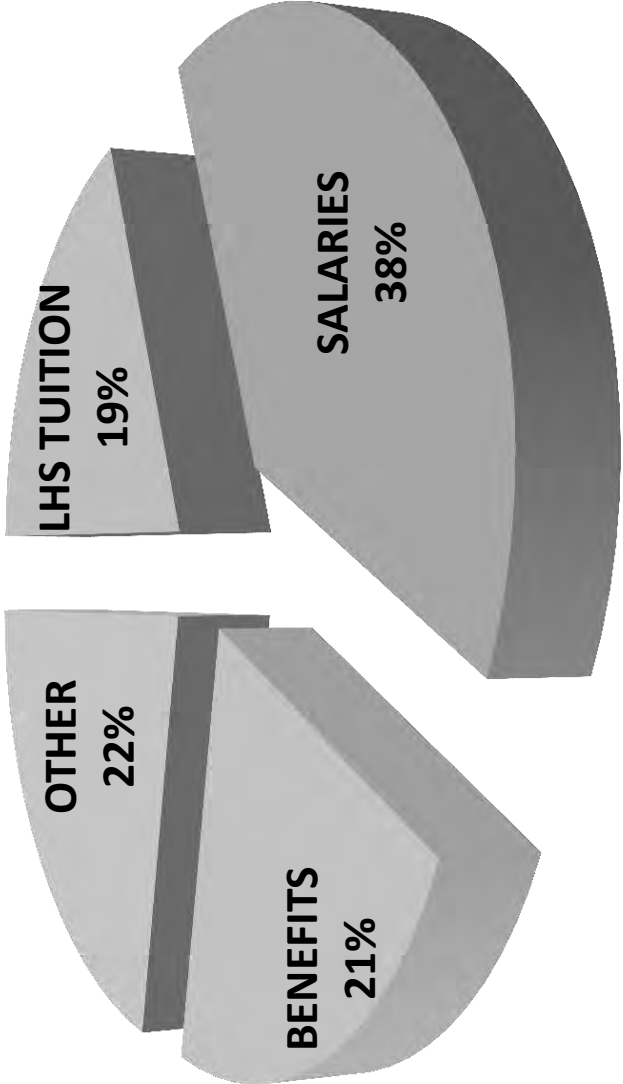
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT 2015-2016 PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENSE SUMMARY

Category:	2013-2014	2014-2015	2014-2015	2015-2016	2014/15 Budget	% Increase or(Decrease) vs.
	ACTUAL	APPROVED	ESTIMATED	PROPOSED		
		BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	2014/15 Budget	2014/15 Budget
REGULAR EDUCATION	3,070,705	3,095,447	3,090,160	3,056,641	(38,806)	-1.25%
SPECIAL EDUCATION	1,036,571	1,125,641	1,090,613	941,791	(183,850)	-13.88%
CO-CURRICULAR	36,559	42,221	35,321	43,530	1,309	3.10%
GUIDANCE	109,593	113,545	112,555	92,641	(20,904)	-18.41%
HEALTH	97,025	102,581	101,286	106,517	3,936	3.84%
STAFF/CURRICULUM DEV.	38,538	54,685	47,424	61,914	7,229	13.22%
LIBRARY	71,979	118,633	121,783	130,098	11,465	9.66%
INFORMATION SERVICES	92,268	109,812	117,078	97,750	(12,062)	-10.98%
SCHOOL BOARD	28,818	28,175	28,175	28,175	0	0.00%
SAU OFFICE	209,403	213,151	218,320	232,381	19,230	9.02%
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	242,702	258,592	254,034	269,177	10,585	4.09%
OPERATION OF BUILDING	307,241	294,958	300,972	327,108	32,150	10.90%
TRANSPORTATION	206,489	226,687	213,187	224,526	(2,161)	-0.95%
FOOD SERVICE	68,667	80,608	73,296	80,771	163	0.20%
DEBT SERVICE	120,340	108,813	108,813	105,688	(3,126)	-2.87%
FEDERAL GRANTS	83,669	77,500	77,500	77,500	0	0.00%
TRANSFERS	53,359	32,749	31,940	33,121	372	1.14%
GEN.ED. SUBTOTAL	5,873,929	6,083,799	6,022,456	5,909,329	(174,470)	-2.87
TRANSFER - OTHER	112,344	40,000	40,000		(40,000)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,986,273	6,123,799	6,062,456	5,909,329	(214,470)	-3.50%

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL 2015-2016 PROPOSED EXPENSES BY FUNCTION



PLAINFIELD SCHOOL 2015-2016 PROPOSED EXPENSES BY OBJECT



10 YEAR DEBT SCHEDULE FOR PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
1ST PHASE ENERGY RETROFIT BOND

INTEREST START DATE: 209 DAYS		12/16/10	Amount of Loan to be Paid		\$314,800		
FIRST INTEREST PAYMENT:		7/15/11	Premium		\$15,200		
NET INTEREST COST:		2.87000%	Total Proceeds		\$330,000		
DEBT YEAR	PERIOD ENDING	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING	PRINCIPAL	RATE	INTEREST	TOTAL PAYMENT	TOTAL PAYMENT
	7/15/2011				\$6,701.93	\$6,701.93	\$6,701.93
1	1/15/2012	\$314,800.00	\$34,800.00	3.0000%	\$5,772.00	\$40,572.00	\$47,273.93
	7/15/2012				\$5,250.00	\$5,250.00	
2	1/15/2013	\$280,000.00	\$35,000.00	3.0000%	\$5,250.00	\$40,250.00	\$45,500.00
	7/15/2013				\$4,725.00	\$4,725.00	
3	1/15/2014	\$245,000.00	\$35,000.00	3.0000%	\$4,725.00	\$39,725.00	\$44,450.00
	7/15/2014				\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	
4	1/15/2015	\$210,000.00	\$30,000.00	4.0000%	\$4,200.00	\$34,200.00	\$38,400.00
	7/15/2015				\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00	
5	1/15/2016	\$180,000.00	\$30,000.00	4.0000%	\$3,600.00	\$33,600.00	\$37,200.00
	7/15/2016				\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
6	1/15/2017	\$150,000.00	\$30,000.00	4.0000%	\$3,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$36,000.00
	7/15/2017				\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	
7	1/15/2018	\$120,000.00	\$30,000.00	4.0000%	\$2,400.00	\$32,400.00	\$34,800.00
	7/15/2018				\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	
8	1/15/2019	\$90,000.00	\$30,000.00	4.0000%	\$1,800.00	\$31,800.00	\$33,600.00
	7/15/2019				\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
9	1/15/2020	\$60,000.00	\$30,000.00	4.0000%	\$1,200.00	\$31,200.00	\$32,400.00
	7/15/2020				\$600.00	\$600.00	
10	1/15/2021	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	4.0000%	\$600.00	\$30,600.00	\$31,200.00
		TOTALS	\$314,800.00		\$66,023.93	\$380,823.93	\$380,823.93

TREASURER'S REPORT
2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

7/1/2013	Balance Mascoma Savings	335,418.73
7/1/2013	Balance NH Public Investment Pool	42,328.99
7/1/2013	Subtotal	377,747.72
	Total Expenditures (7/1/13 through 6/30/14)	6,079,098.23
	Total Receipts (7/1/13 through 6/30/14)	6,302,461.23
6/30/2014	Balance Mascoma Savings	492,450.00
6/30/2014	Balance NH Public Investment Pool	33,781.90
6/30/2014	Total Cash Available	526,231.90

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey C. Moore
School Treasurer

PLAINFIELD ENROLLMENT – OCTOBER 1, 2014

GRADE	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
K	15	6	21
1	8	7	15
2	17	10	27
3	10	14	24
4	10	7	17
5	11	16	27
6	12	11	23
7	18	15	33
8	15	12	27
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Subtotal	116	98	214
Home Study Students:	7	7	14
TOTAL Enrollment including Home Study:			228

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL CLASS OF 2014

Lindsay Anikis
Sam Brady
Kaitlin Chamley
Halle Clark
Jay Cogan
Kevin Dion
Colleen Donoghue
Alli Duany
Alicia Goodwin
Fiona Greenough
Cecilia Hampton

Owen Johnstone
Elizabeth Jones
Cameron Magari
Gavin McGough
Kath Merchant
Kim Merchant
Zach Petrin
Luke Sandmann
Taylor Sheehan
Cecilia Webber
Zeda Wolf

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL RECOGNITION AWARDS 2014

TEACHERS' AWARD: Gavin McGough

CORY TABER AWARD: Kevin Dion

PTA CITIZENSHIP AWARD: Fiona Greenough

EXCELLENCE IN MUSIC: Kimberly Merchant

EXCELLENCE IN ART: Alicia Goodwin & Owen Johnstone

GROBE-REISCH SPORTSMANSHIP: Luke Sandmann

GARIPAY-BEAUPRE SCHOLAR/ATHLETE: Kimberly Merchant

PRESIDENT'S EDUCATION AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: Alicia Goodwin, Gavin McGough, Kimberly Merchant, Cecilia Webber

PRESIDENT'S EDUCATION AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Colleen Donoghue, Fiona Greenough, Cameron Magari, Kathleen Merchant, Zachary Petrin, Luck Sandmann

THE HERBERT E. WARD MEMORIAL ESSAY CONTEST:

1st place: **Gavin McGough**-“Climate Plan B: Geoeengineering”

2nd place: **Zeda Wolf** - “Letting the Future Die: Child Abuse” and **Kaitlin Chamley** – “Anorexia Nervosa”

Honorable Mention: **Kimberly Merchant** – “The Arts in Declination”
Cecilia Webber – “A Traitor to His Country”
Alicia Goodwin – “The Value of Arts in Education”

CONGRATULATIONS!

KIMBALL UNION ACADEMY 2013-2014

Plainfield Residents

Grade 9

Abigail Chellis	L'Heureux, Nicholas
Alieke Feid	Coulston Rogerson
Charlotte Greenspan	Catherine Sensenig
Erin Gregory-Davis	Julia Surgenor
Noah Herfort	Natalie Whitehead

Grade 10

Lee Cogan	Kelsey Pollard
Sawyer Constantine	Gregory Surgenor
Rex Miller	Cooper Williams
Alex Plummer	

Grade 11

Conor Beaupre	Wyett MacDonald
Harrison Beaupre	Chase McGough
Aurora Braswell	Joanna Schafer
Jonathan Butler	Mallory Schell
Jack Doherty	Charles Williams
Jackson Greenspan	Alyson Young

Grade 12

Molly Adams	Lion Herfort
Tyler Anderle	Charlton Muhlauri
Hunter Braswell	Alison Pollard
Morgan Dewdney	Owen Winslow
James Herbert	



LHS TUITION STUDENTS 2013-14

Grade 9

Olivia Balise	Lars Governo	Jacob Pinkley
Emily Ball	Morgan Grace	Jacob Pixley
Christopher Courtemanche	Margaret Grzegorowicz	Brittany Rogers
Jack Davini	Greta Hazelton	Kassidee Rogers
Noah Didehbani	Sophia Lurie	Joslin Wainwright
Peter Elder	Jillian Perriello	Taylor Williams
Noah Forman		

Grade 10

Daroc Alden	Brian Downs	Kudakwashe Muhlauri
Lauren Anikis	Timothy Dupree	Maddison Ouellette
Tiffany Blake	Tyler Edwards	Colin Prince
Abigail Brann	Lauren Hadley	Jack Taylor
Alyson Burbee	Zachery Herrin	Isabelle Walker
Jessica Cloud	Georgia Houde	Madelin Walker
Ethan Didehbani	Sydney Johnstone	Sonja Wolke
Jillian Dion	Christopher Morse	

Grade 11

Wyatt Ballou	Adam Herrin	Catherine Pierson
Samuel Clifton	Sarah Lappin	Jessica Purcell
Emily Courtemanche	Heather Larocque	John Raney
Jessica Dessert	Donald MacLeay	Sierra Rogers
Brenden Fadden	William Merchant	Paul Sylvia
Emma Forman	Erika Moffitt	Kyra Taylor
Glen Hathoot	Grayson Paige	Aaron Wilder

Grade 12

Kelsie Atwater	Emma Greenough	Jared McGranaghan
Shelbie Clukey	Joseph Grout	Brendan O'Donnell
Joshua Creeger	Charlotte Grzegorowicz	Ronan O'Donnell
Sabrina Creighton	Grayson Hardy	Austin Putnam
Nicholas Davini	Nell Houde	Kaylee Rogers
Louise Filiault	Rayne Lambert	Kevin Shaffner
Tyler Geno	Isabella Lurie	Matthew Taylor

LHS UNDERGRAD AWARDS NIGHT

In May 2014, LHS students in grades 9, 10, and 11 were recognized for their academic achievements during 2013-2014. The following are awards presented to Plainfield students.

HIGH HONORS: Student has earned at least an A- in all courses taken throughout the school year and has received a G.P.A. of 3.67.

Grade 9: **Emily Ball, Peter Elder**

Grade 10: **Daroc Alden, Lauren Anikis, Lauren Hadley, Georgia Houde, Kudakwashe Muhlauri, Sonja Wolke**

Grade 11: **Emma Forman, Catherine Pierson, Kyra Taylor**

Grade 12: **Kelsie Atwater, Emma Greenough, Joseph Grout, Grayson Hardy, Nell Houde**

HONORS: Student has earned at least a C+ in all courses taken throughout the school year and has received a G.P.A. of 3.0.

Grade 9: **Olivia Balise, Noah Didehbani, Lars Governo, Sophia Lurie, Jillian Perriello, Jacob Pinkley, Jacob Pixley, Kassidee Rogers, Joslin Wainwright**

Grade 10: **Abigail Brann, Alyson Burbee, Jessica Cloud, Ethan Didehbani, Brian Downs, Sydney Johnstone, Christopher Morse, Maddison Ouellette, Madelin Walker**

Grade 11: **Wyatt Ballou, Samuel Clifton, Glen Hathoot, D. Ryan MacLeay, William Merchant, Erika Moffitt**

Grade 12: **Nicholas Davini, Tyler Geno, Rayne Lambert, Isabelle Laurie, Brendan O'Donnell, Ronan O'Donnell, Kaylee Rogers, Matthew Taylor**

THE REGIS COLLEGE BOOK AWARD: **Emma Forman** - Junior

NATIONAL MERIT QUALIFYING STATUS: **Sarah Lappin** - Junior

LANGUAGE POETRY PARTICIPANTS: **Daroc Alden** – Sophomore and **Samuel Clifton** - Junior

INTERMEDIATE MATH TEAM PARTICIPANT: **Brian Downs** - Sophomore

EXCELLENCE IN ART AWARDS: **Sarah Lappin** -Junior - and **Sonja Wolke** - Sophomore

AWARDS CONFERRED ON THE LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2014

The following awards were presented to Plainfield student graduates at the Lebanon High School Senior Awards Ceremony at the Lebanon Opera House in June 2014.

Class of 2014 Valedictorian — Nell Houde

School Council Events Committee — Kelsie Atwater

School Council Policy Committee — Emma Greenough

President's Award for Educational Excellence—Kelsie Atwater, Grayson Hardy, Nell Houde

Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Award—Charlotte Grzegorowicz & Matthew Taylor

Frank & Olive Gilman Memorial Scholarship — Kelsie Atwater, Rayne Lambert, Matthew Taylor

Dave Anderson Memorial Award — Grayson Hardy

Society of Women Engineers Award — Nell Houde

U.S. Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award — Grayson Hardy & Nell Houde

Ledyard National Bank Citizenship Scholarship Award — Ellen Gibbs

Lake Sunapee Bank Citizenship Scholarship Award — Nell Houde

Upper Valley Board of Realtors Scholarship Award — Kelsie Atwater

Plainfield Parent-Teacher Organization Award — Charlotte Grzegorowicz

Edward Sanborn Memorial Scholarship Award — Ronan O'Donnell

Frances Romano Schambier Memorial Scholarship — Charlotte Grzegorowicz

Sterling Melendy Memorial Scholarship Award — Nell Houde

Nancy Clark Family Memorial Scholarship Award — Rayne Lambert

Douglas Townsend Memorial Award — Nell Houde

Erling Heistad Senior Ski Award – Kelsie Atwater

PLAINFIELD TEACHERS: 2014-2015 SALARY SCHEDULE GRID

Track>	Bachelor		Bachelor +15		Bachelor + 30/ Masters		Masters + 15		Masters + 30	
	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary
1	1.0	\$36,203		\$37,434		\$38,707		\$40,023		\$41,383
2		\$37,485		\$38,759		\$40,077		\$41,440		\$42,848
3	1.0	\$38,812		\$40,131		\$41,496		\$42,906		\$44,366
4		\$40,186		\$41,552	1.0	\$42,964	1.5	\$44,425		\$45,936
5		\$41,608		\$43,023	1.0	\$44,485		\$45,998		\$47,563
6		\$43,081		\$44,545		\$46,060		\$47,627	0.6	\$49,246
7		\$44,607	0.8	\$46,122		\$47,691		\$49,313		\$50,989
8		\$46,186		\$47,755		\$49,379		\$51,058		\$42,794
9	2.0	\$47,821		\$49,447		\$51,128		\$52,866		\$54,663
10		\$49,513		\$51,197		\$52,937		\$54,737		\$56,598
11		\$51,266		\$53,008		\$54,811		\$56,674		\$58,602
12		\$53,081		\$54,885		\$56,752	0.4	\$58,681		\$60,676
13		\$54,960	1	\$56,828	1.0	\$58,760		\$60,758		\$62,824
14		\$56,905		\$58,840		\$60,841		\$62,910		\$65,048
15		\$58,919		\$60,923	1.0	\$62,994		\$65,136		\$67,351
16		\$61,005		\$63,080	1.0	\$65,224		\$67,442		\$69,735
17	1.0	\$63,166	2.0	\$65,313	5.0	\$67,533		\$69,829	5.0	\$72,204
	5.0		3.8		10.000		1.9		5.6	
FTE	5		3.8		10.000		1.9		5.6	26.3
#of Staff	5		4		10		3		6	28

Plainfield School District 2014-15 Teachers/Professional Staff

Last Name	First Name	Position	Date of Hire	College
Allen	Jean	Teacher-Spanish Grs. 5-8	6/22/2000	B.A. Keene State College
Blair	Susan	Principal	8/1/2014	B.S. Salem State College; M.Ed. Plymouth State
Bohrer	Linda	Teacher-Reading	8/25/2014	B.A. Keene State College; M.S. Plymouth State College
Campbell	Debra	Speech/Language Pathologist	8/27/2007	B.A. Rhode Island College; M.A. University of Connecticut
Cantlin	Mary	Teacher/Technology Coordinator	8/23/1992	B.A.; B.S. Marietta College; M.Ed. Keene State College
Carlson	Michelle	Teacher-Language Arts, Grs. 7/8	8/27/2007	B.S. Elem. Ed.; B.A. Theater/Dance, Keene State College
Collins	Sean	Teacher-Social Studies, Grs. 6-8	8/26/2010	B.A. Marist College; M.A. University of Vermont
Daley	Jill Camillas	Media Specialist	8/25/2008	B.A. VT College of Norwich University
Feid	Brandon	Teacher-P.E./Athletic Director	8/26/2002	B.S. University of New Hampshire
Gage	Hanna	Teacher-Grade 3/4	8/25/2014	B.A. Keene State College
Guaraldi	Sara	Teacher-Special Education	8/26/2011	B.A., M.Ed. Plymouth State College
Heaton	Karen	Nurse/Health Educator	8/25/1997	B.S.N.; University of Vermont
Keeney	David	Teacher - Music	8/28/2006	B.M.E., Olivet College
Knight	Laura	Teacher-Gr.1	8/6/1984	B.S. Cornell University; M.S. Wheelock College
Lanzim	Katherine	Teacher-Special Ed.	11/1/1986	B.A. Newark State College
Lee	Sara	Teacher-Gr.2	8/26/2013	B.S. Estm. New Mexico University; M.A. N.M. State Univ.
Lizotte	Jennifer	Teacher-Gr. 5	8/25/2014	B.S. Keene State College
Magario	Heidi	Teacher-Grade 6/7/8	8/25/2014	B.S. University of Vermont
Malsin	Gail	School Counselor	8/15/2008	B.A. Univ. of Rochester; M.Ed. Plymouth State College
Maslan	Kathleen	Teacher-Gr.2	11/8/1999	B.S. Keene State College
Mathis	Alexandra	Teacher-Art	8/25/2014	B.A. Univ. of N. H.; M.A. Rhode Island School of Design
McDowell	Anita	Teacher/Director-Special Services	7/1/2014	B.A. University of Mass; M.A. Fitchburg State College
O'Reilly	Kelly	Teacher-Special Education	4/26/2011	B.S. College of Saint Joseph; M.Ed. Southern N.H. Univ.
Piano	Mary	Teacher-Math 7/8	8/26/2002	B.S. Keene State College; M.Ed. Plymouth State College
Sanchirico	Paul	Teacher-Gr.5	8/26/1993	B.S. Keene State College
Sheehan	James	Teacher-Gr. 6	3/7/1994	B.A. Wesleyan University
Spratt	Laura	Teacher-Grade 3/4	8/29/2005	B.S. University of Iowa; M.S. Drake University
Taber	Melinda	Teacher-Gr.3/4	8/25/1997	B.S. University of New Hampshire; M.Ed. UNH
Vogt	Gregory	Superintendent	7/1/2011	B.S., M.S. Canisius College; PhD Syracuse University
Woodcock	Mark	Teacher-Kindergarten	8/25/1987	B.A. Towson State University

**Plainfield School District
2014-2015 Support Staff**

Last Name	First Name	Position	Date of Hire	College
Beloin	Linda	Educational Assistant	4/26/2005	
Bierwirth	Beth	Secretary to the Principal/Finance	8/24/2004	B.S. Granite State College; S.F.O
Cassedy	Ruth	Educational Assistant	8/25/2014	B.S. University of NH; M.S. Universit of N.E.
Collins	Lehann	Educational Assistant	8/29/2001	Ocean County College, NJ
Downs	Janna	Educational Assistant	8/28/2006	
Estey	Lori	Educational Assistant	8/25/2008	B.S. Castleton State College
Goodrow	Fawn	Educational Assistant	9/12/1997	B.S. Merrimack College
Goodwin	Naomi	Educational Assistant	8/26/2009	B.S. Plymouth State College
Gradjian	Lisa	School Secretary	5/27/2008	attended University of San Diego
Granter	William	Educational Assistant	8/29/2005	B.A., B.Ed. Memorial University of Newfoundland
Gross	Bob	Head Custodian	8/20/2013	B.S. Southern Vermont College
Hall	Laurel	Educational Assistant	8/25/2014	B.S. Keene State College
Johnson	Leni-Lyne	Educational Assistant	8/28/2004	B.A. University of Connecticut
LeBrun	Lynn	Administrative Assistant	11/5/2014	A.A. and attended Plymouth State College
Merchant	Sharon	Educational Assistant	12/15/2010	B.A. Granite State College
Morse	Debra	Educational Assistant	8/29/2005	Assoc., Mount Ida College
Rosinski	Christopher	Educational Assistant	8/25/2014	B.S. Granite State College
Rullo	Dominic	Night Custodian	10/26/1998	attended University of New Hampshire
Skinner	Danielle	Lunch Program Coordinator	4/5/2012	attended Claremont Community College
Warren	Robin	Title I Math Tutor/Educ. Assistant	8/28/2007	B.S.N. Alfred University; M.Ed. Plymouth State University
Whitman	Rosemary	Educational Assistant	8/26/2003	B.S. University of North Dakota
Wolke	Evy	Educational Assistant	8/30/2004	B.A. Wesleyan University

Plainfield's Educational Mission

Mission Statement: As a community of learners, our educational mission in Plainfield is to support and expect academic excellence while building character, self-confidence, and enthusiasm for life-long learning.

Responsibilities

The community is responsible for providing a quality education to children in grades K through 12.

The school is responsible for:

- Stating clearly academic goals and defining a curriculum with high academic standards.
- Teaching with an awareness of individual children's learning styles.
- Emphasizing good character, self-discipline, and interpersonal skills.
- Providing an atmosphere that fosters excitement about learning.
- Offering strong administrative leadership and a high quality staff.
- Respecting the values, authority, and input of parents, as well as the situations of the home environment.
- Encouraging involvement of parents and community members in the life of the school.

The home is responsible for:

- Understanding and reinforcing school curricula.
- Encouraging students to complete homework and to place a high priority on education.
- Ensuring that children arrive at school on time, rested, fed, and ready to learn.
- Respecting the expertise and authority of teachers and staff.

Results

Students should possess a foundation of information, concepts, and learning skills:

- Analytical skills: identifying and formulating problems, researching information, and developing creative solutions.
- Reading, writing, and speaking effectively, with grounding in US. and world literature.
- Mathematics, including the ability to apply quantitative thinking and analysis in daily life.
- Physical, earth, and life sciences, including how these are manifested in everyday phenomena such as the environment, technology, and weather.
- History, geography, government, and the responsibilities of citizenship in local, national, and global contexts.
- Significant exposure to the arts, a foreign language, and the diversity of human culture.
- Effective use of computers for computation and processing information.
- Appreciation of physical and mental health, including avoidance of substance abuse and communicable diseases.

Students should display behaviors that allow them to be productive learners and relate effectively to others:

- Enthusiasm for learning.
- Confidence and self esteem.
- Self-discipline and good work habits, including the ability to listen and take turns.
- Personal integrity and honesty.
- Willingness to take responsibility where appropriate and to follow through once responsibility is assumed.
- Acceptance of, sensitivity to, and compassion for others.

Mutual respect, support, and participation among the community, families, and the school are vital to effectively achieving our mission. Open communication is encouraged, valued, and respected.

NONDISCRIMINATION NOTICE

Plainfield School District does not discriminate in its education programs, activities, or employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation or disability under the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1965, Section 1981 of the Civil Rights Act of 1966, the Equal Pay Act, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the American With Disabilities Act of 1990, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Individuals with Disabilities Act, RSA 186-C, and RSA 354-A. Any person having inquiries concerning Plainfield School District's compliance with the regulations implementing these laws may contact: Superintendent of Schools, 92 Bonner Road, Meriden, NH 03770, (603) 469-3442.

Certain specific inquiries may be directed to the following: Title IX Coordinator, Gregory Vogt; Title VI, VII and 504 Coordinator, Laura Spratt.

Any person may also contact Title IX Coordinator, NH Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301. (603) 271-3196, for Title IX and Age Discrimination; Section 504 Coordinator, NH Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, (603) 271-3610, for Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Supervisor for National Origin & Equal Education Opportunity, NH Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, (603) 271-3582, for Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education or the Director, U.S. Department of Education, U.S. Government, 10 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02114

NOTICE OF RIGHTS TO SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

School Administrative Unit #32, in complying with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEA 2004), is required to locate and identify all school age children who may have educational disabilities including those who are homeless, migrant, wards of the state, or attending private schools within the Plainfield School district boundaries.

If you are a parent of, or know of a child age 3-21, who you feel may have an educational disability, please contact the School Principal or Director of Special Education at 603-469-3250. SAU #32 will provide free screening and evaluation of any child referred to them. Students found eligible for special education services will be offered a free appropriate public education.

A student with a disability who does not qualify for services under the IDEA 2004 may qualify for accommodations under Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act. Referrals under Section 504 may be made to the Principal.

Parents have the right to review the educational records of their children, as guaranteed by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

IDEA & Preschool Entitlement Funds: Application for Plainfield School District

IDEA entitlement and preschool funds are based on the actual number of special needs students in the district. It is expected that Plainfield will qualify for a total grant of **\$56,347** in FY 2015. These funds must be used to supplement our local expenditures. They cannot be used to reduce an amount spent by local funds in a prior fiscal year. During the current fiscal year these funds were used to pay for such services as speech and language services, special education assistants, a part time school based clinician, staff development, and a part time school psychologist. Some of the funds are used to help us actively seek out, find and evaluate children who may be eligible for special education services. Federal law requires that we do this. The specific manner in which we propose to spend these funds is outlined in a grant application which was submitted in August of 2013. Delivery of the services proposed is contingent upon the approval of the application and the actual receipt of funds.



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PLAINFIELD WEATHER 2014

(Observations by Doug Cogan)

	HIGH	LOW	MEAN	RAIN	SNOW	PRECIPITATION
MONTH	Temp(F)	Temp(F)	Temp(F)	(Inches)	(Inches)	(Inches)
JANUARY	51	-23	18	1.63	11.25	2.56
FEBRUARY	46	-16	18	0.69	32.75	3.97
MARCH	51	-13	22	1.08	19.25	2.98
APRIL	79	19	44	2.72	2.25	2.92
MAY	84	28	57	3.55		3.55
JUNE	90	42	66	3.45		3.45
JULY	93	50	70	6.95		6.95
AUGUST	87	45	67	2.61		2.61
SEPTEMBER	87	32	60	1.16		1.16
OCTOBER	78	28	52	4.95		4.95
NOVEMBER	64	03	35	0.96	10.25	2.40
DECEMBER	46	01	29	1.01	19.25	3.88
TOTALS	--	--	--	30.76	95.50	41.38
'14 AVG	55.6	34.0	44.8	--	--	--
10yr AVG	57.7	36.1	47.0	36.02	77.76	43.41

Daily high temperature records: September 28, 84 degrees

Daily low temperature records: January 3, -23 degrees, March 14,-13 degrees,
March 24, -2 degrees, March 25, 0 degrees.

2014 high temp: 93 degrees, July 02; low temp: -23 degrees January 3.

Wettest 24 hours: 2.05 inches/July 28; snowiest 24 hours: 16. 25 inches/Feb. 13-14

Date of last freeze: April 20, last frost: May 7; first frost: Sept 19, first freeze: Oct. 20

All degrees in Fahrenheit