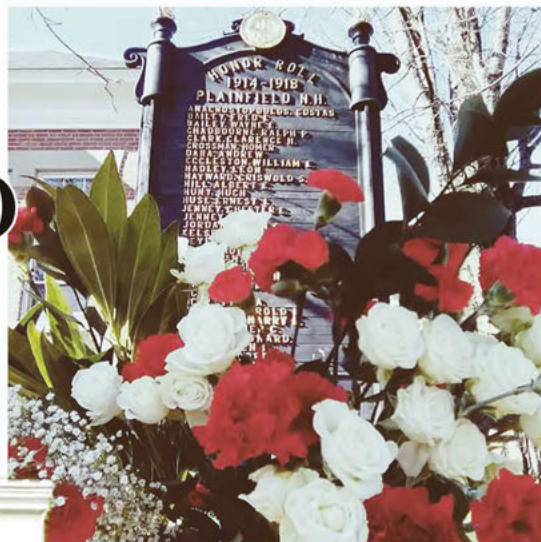




# TOWN OF PLAINFIELD NEW HAMPSHIRE



## HARRY D. THRASHER

Born and lived here in Plainfield  
A painter and sculptor, he often  
helped Augustus Saint Gaudens.  
Plainfield's only son lost in WWI,  
he died and was interred in France.  
A New Englander to the core, his  
art lives on.



*Annual Report 2018*

**On this year's cover are photos from two events commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War One**

These events had been planned for almost two years. The project grew to include an exhibit at the Plainfield Historical Society on the 4th of July, the Thrasher Town marker put up in August, and a wreath-laying ceremony at the Plainfield Library on November 18th.

**Harry D. Thrasher** was the only person from Plainfield to die in War World One. He was buried in France. On August 11th, 2018, in honor of the hundredth anniversary of his death, a group of Plainfield and Cornish residents placed a town marker on Thrasher Road, on the site where Thrasher's home once stood. Peter Burling and I laid a wreath on the post and French author Julian Icher gave a few words of gratitude on behalf of France. Retired military officer Stuart Hodgeman represented our armed forces.

On Sunday, November 18th, the Town of Plainfield took a moment to recognize the men who served in World War One. Their names are on the Honor Roll outside the Philip Read Memorial Library. I again laid a wreath, after which Selectman Rob Taylor spoke a few words, followed by a moment of silence. Selectman Ron Eberhardt played Taps on his trumpet and Executive Councilor Joe Kenney gave a few words on the history of World War One.

It was the least we could do for those who gave so much.

*Virginia Drye*

The Plainfield Selectboard thanks Virginia Drye for all her hard work on these projects of her own design.

(Thrasher Road photo credit Annie Drye, Honor Roll photo credit Virginia Drye)



**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD**  
New Hampshire  
**Annual Report**  
**2018**

Annual Reports  
of the  
Officers and Selectmen  
and the  
School District



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Plainfield Town Offices as viewed by helicopter Photo S Halleran/Helicopter Credit Roger Sharkey



## TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Office	Name	Appt. Expires
<b>MODERATOR</b>	Paul B. Franklin	2020
<b>TOWN CLERK</b>	Michelle Marsh	2019
<b>DEPUTY TOWN CLERK</b>	Sue Liebowitz	
<b>SELECT BOARD</b>	Judith A. Belyea	2019
	Ron C. Eberhardt	2020
	Robert W. Taylor	2021
<b>TREASURER</b>	Sarah Brookes-Governo	2019
<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>	Michelle Marsh	2019
<b>DEP. TAX COLLECTOR</b>	Sue Liebowitz	
<b>TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS</b>	Jesse Stalker	2019
	Edward Stansfield	2020
	Donald Garfield	2021
<b>LIBRARY TRUSTEES</b>	Suzanne Spencer	2019
	Jean Strong	2019
	Richard Davidson	2020
	Nancy Liston	2021
	Stephanie Berman	Resigned
	Richard Atkinson	2019
<b>SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST</b>	Harold Jones, Jr.	2024
	Fern Wilder	2021
	Donald Jordan	2020
<b>CEMETERY TRUSTEES</b>	Margaret Drye	2019
	Bradford Atwater	2020
	James Taylor	2021
<b>ASSIST. MODERATOR</b>	Stephen H. Taylor	
<b>BALLOT CLERKS</b>	Sarah Brookes-Governo	
	Robin Marsh	
	Elizabeth Lurie	

<b>BALLOT CLERKS (con't)</b>	RoAnne Rogerson Jill Young, Alt
<b>ROAD AGENT</b>	Richard Collins
<b>RECREATION DIRECTOR</b>	Daniel Cantlin
<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b>	Stephanie Schell
<b>ZONING ADMIN.</b>	Stephen Halleran
<b>BUILDING INSPECTOR</b>	David Lersch
<b>FACILITIES MANAGER</b>	Bradford Atwater
<b>YIELD TAX AGENT</b>	Judith A. Belyea
<b>WELFARE DIRECTOR</b>	Stephanie Schell
<b>EMERGENCY MGT.DIR.</b>	James McCarragher
<b>DEPTUTY EMD</b>	Robert Taylor
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	Paul Roberts, Chief Matthew Foss Anthony Swett Lawrence Dore, PT Ejona Haxhija, PT Matthew Agan, Resigned
<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>	Jane Stephenson, Chair Michael Sutherland Jeffrey Allbright Elise Angelillo Ryan Boynton Judith Belyea, Select woman Stephen Halleran, Alt
<b>ZONING BOARD</b>	Richard Colburn, Chair Edward Moynihan Bradford Atwater William McGonigle Peter Martin Scott MacLeay, Alt
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	Myra Ferguson, Chair Judy Ptak William Knight David Grobe David Taylor Helen Koehler Victoria Ramos-Glew Anne Donaghy-Alt
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	Mike Sutherland, Chair Bradford Atwater Marc Morgan Mark Hardy Ken Gilchrest Dana Scaduto

**ENERGY  
COMMITTEE**

Evan Oxenham, Co Chair  
Steve Ladd, Co Chair  
Ron Eberhardt  
Betsy Rybeck-Lynd

**UVLSRPC**

John Yacavone

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

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

**KUA STUDY  
COMMITTEE**

Stephen Beaupre  
John Yacavone  
Andrea Keen  
Robert Hewett  
Kate Whybrow, School Board  
Robert Blake, Kimball Union Academy  
Stephen Halleran, Select Board Rep.



**Plainfield Village, drone flyover, William**

**Daugherty Pilot**



**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 12th day of March next at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles:

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

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose by ballot: One Select Board member for three years, one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, Two Library Trustees for three years, one Library Trustee for two years, one Cemetery Trustee for three years, one Town Clerk for three years and any other necessary town officers.

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

**Question 1.** In order to clarify the criteria for the granting of special exceptions **delete** section 5.6II a) & b) which read

**5.6II CONDITIONS TO BE MET**

**II. Special Exceptions**

In order for the Board to grant a special exception it must find that the special exception being sought by the applicant is in fact permitted and specified in the Zoning Ordinance and that all of the conditions for the special exception are met.

a) A special exception as specified in this ordinance may be permitted only if the Board of Adjustment makes the following findings of fact:

- (1) The use is one that is ordinarily prohibited in the district.
- (2) The use is specifically allowed as an exception under the terms of the Ordinance.
- (3) Appropriate and adequate facilities will be provided for the proper operation of the proposed use.
- (4) The proposed use will comply with the applicable regulations of the district in which it is to be located.

b) For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following are established as general conditions for the granting of all special exceptions (subject to further conditions as may be defined elsewhere herein as to the uses concerned) namely:

- (1) That the use will not be detrimental to the character or enjoyment of the neighborhood.
- (2) That the use will not be injurious, noxious, or offensive and thus detrimental to the neighborhood;
- (3) That the use will not be contrary to the public health, safety or welfare by reason of undue traffic congestion or hazards, undue risk

to life and property, unsanitary or unhealthful emissions or waste disposal, or similar adverse causes or conditions.

**Replace the deleted text with**

## **5.6II CONDITIONS TO BE MET**

### **II. Special Exceptions**

A special exception as specified in this ordinance may be permitted only if the Board of Adjustment makes the following findings of fact:

1. The use is specifically allowed as a special exception under the terms of the Ordinance.
2. That the use will not be detrimental to the character or enjoyment of the neighborhood.
3. The proposed use will comply with the applicable regulations of the district in which it is to be located.
4. The granting of a special exception must include remedy for any existing zoning violations on the property.
5. The capacity of existing or planned community services or facilities, including streets and utilities will not be adversely affected.
6. Traffic on roads and highways in the vicinity shall not be adversely affected.
7. The use will not be contrary to the public health, safety or welfare by reason of traffic congestion or hazards, undue risk to life or property, unsanitary or unhealthful emissions or waste disposal, or similar adverse conditions.
8. Appropriate and adequate facilities will be provided for the proper operation of the proposed use.
9. No undue municipal expense will be created.

Renumber the section as indicated.

[    ] Yes                      [    ] No

**Question #2.** In order to clarify the local appeal process the following replacement of section 5.5 APPEALS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT is proposed.

**Delete the existing section 5.5 which reads**

### **5.5 APPEALS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

If it is alleged that an error has been made, any aggrieved person, officer, department, board or bureau of the town affected by any decision of the administrative officer may appeal to the Board. Such appeals must occur within fifteen days of the granting or denial of a zoning permit by filing with the Zoning Board of Adjustment a notice of appeal specifying the grounds for appeal. Work may not continue during an appeal unless the administrative officer states that work stoppage would cause imminent peril to life and property.

An appeal stays all proceeds under the action appealed from unless the officer from whom the appeal is taken certifies to the Board of Adjustment after notice of appeal shall have been filed with him or her, that, by reason of facts stated in the certificate, a stay would, in his or her opinion, cause imminent peril to life or property. In such case, proceedings shall be stayed by a restraining order which may be granted by the Board of the Superior Court.

**Replace with**

**5.5 APPEALS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT** If it is alleged that an error has been made by any decision of a town administrative official, any aggrieved person, department, or board affected may appeal to the Zoning Board. Such appeals must occur within fifteen days of the decision or the granting or denial of a zoning permit. Such appeal shall be made by filing with the Zoning Board of Adjustment a notice of appeal specifying all the grounds for the appeal.

Any activity or work may not continue during an appeal unless the town administrative official certifies to the Zoning Board of Adjustment that work stoppage would cause imminent peril to life and property.

[    ] Yes                      [    ] No



**You are further notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Saturday, the 16th 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 **\$975,000** for the replacement of the Meriden Library building, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$487,500 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and at least \$464,000 of the project cost will come donations raised on behalf of the Meriden Library Foundation created in 2019.

The Board of Trustees for the Plainfield Public Libraries and the Select Board recommends this appropriation (2/3 ballot vote required)

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$135,200** for the purchase of retiring all outstanding debt of the Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. Note this article is part of the fire department municipalization project approved at the 2017 town meeting.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,358,950** to defray town charges for the 2019 fiscal year. The Select Board proposes the following budget:

<b>1. Executive</b>	<b>\$223,650</b>
<b>2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics</b>	<b>16,030</b>
<b>3. Financial Administration</b>	<b>77,050</b>
<b>4. Revaluation of Property</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>5. Legal Expenses</b>	<b>8,000</b>
<b>6. Personnel Administration</b>	<b>10,300</b>
<b>7. Planning and Zoning</b>	<b>1,700</b>
<b>8. General Government Buildings</b>	<b>17,025</b>
<b>9. Cemeteries</b>	<b>34,100</b>
<b>10. Insurance</b>	<b>65,200</b>
<b>11. Regional Associations</b>	<b>6,100</b>
<b>12. Police</b>	<b>431,000</b>
<b>13. Ambulance Service</b>	<b>38,000</b>
<b>14. Fire</b>	<b>60,000</b>
<b>15. Building Inspection</b>	<b>11,900</b>
<b>16. Emergency Management</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>17. Hydrant &amp; Forest Fire Expense</b>	<b>4,100</b>
<b>18. Dispatching for Fire, Police &amp; Ambulance</b>	<b>38,000</b>
<b>19. Highway Administration</b>	<b>21,550</b>

<b>20. Highways and Streets</b>	<b>721,535</b>
<b>21. Road Projects</b>	<b>119,000</b>
<b>22. Street Lights</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>23. Solid Waste Collection</b>	<b>170,500</b>
<b>24. Solid Waste Disposal</b>	<b>50,810</b>
<b>25. Health Agencies</b>	<b>13,610</b>
<b>26. Animal Control</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>27. Welfare</b>	<b>20,000</b>
<b>28. Recreation Commission</b>	<b>20,000</b>
<b>29. Library</b>	<b>157,040</b>
<b>30. Patriotic</b>	<b>1,500</b>
<b>31. Conservation Commission</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>32. Principal Long-term debt</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>33. Interest Long-term debt</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,358,950</b>

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

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$242,500** 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	Town Facilities Maintenance Fund created in 2015.
\$10,000	Revaluation Fund created in 1993.
\$75,000	Highway Equipment Fund created in 1987.
\$55,000	Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006.
\$25,000	Meriden Library Replacement Fund created in 2017.
\$25,000	Fire Department Equipment Fund created in 2017
\$10,000	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:

\$10,000	Town Hall Repair Fund established in 1996.
\$2,500	Library Building Repair Fund established in 1992.

The Select Board is named agent to expend for the bridge fund, the town hall repair fund, the library building repair fund, the revaluation fund, the transportation improvement fund, the police equipment fund, the facilities maintenance fund and the highway equipment fund. The Select Board recommends this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$155,000** for the purchase of a dump truck with plow and sanding equipment for the use of the highway department, further to authorize the Select Board to sell or

trade the town's existing truck #8. If approved, the Select Board will withdraw said sum from the Highway Equipment Fund. The Select Board recommends this appropriation. The Select Board was named agent to expend the highway equipment fund at the 2015 town meeting.

**ARTICLE 8.** Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Plainfield based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$64,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$92,000; for a person 80 years or older, \$141,000? To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 years; own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by his/her spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$28,000 or if married, a combined net income of less than \$35,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$65,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

**Note:** If approved this article will raise the maximum income eligibility requirements for a single person from \$23,500 to \$28,000 and for a married couple it raises the maximum income from \$30,000 to \$35,000.

**ARTICLE 9.** Shall we modify the exemption for the disabled, as outlined in RSA 72:37-b? The exemption, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers shall be \$47,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$28,000 or if married a combined net income of not more than \$35,000; and own net assets of not more than \$65,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

**Note:** If approved this article will raise the maximum income eligibility requirement for a single person from \$23,500 to \$28,000 and for a married couple it raises the maximum income from \$30,000 to \$35,000.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the town will adopt pursuant to RSA 72:38-b an exemption from property tax in the town of Plainfield for the deaf or severely hearing impaired. Said exemption shall be \$47,000. To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years; own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by his/her spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$28,000 or if married, a combined net income of less than \$35,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$65,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. See RSA 72:38-b II for the necessary medical qualifications to be satisfied.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the town will 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.

**ARTICLE 12.** 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 Select Board and other officers of the town in the prudential affairs of the town.

**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:**

*Judith A. Belyea*  
*Ron C. Eberhardt*  
*Robert W. Taylor*

Plainfield Select Board

**CERTIFICATE OF POSTING**

We, the undersigned Select Board of Plainfield, hereby certify that on the 20th day of February in the year 2019, 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:**

*Judith A. Belyea*  
*Ron C. Eberhardt*  
*Robert W. Taylor*

Personally appeared before me the above named, Robert W. Taylor, Judith A. Belyea, Ron C. Eberhardt, the Select Board of Plainfield and took oath the foregoing statement is true.

*Michelle Marsh*  
Notary Public

**BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD**  
**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue**  
**January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 to December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019**

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Dollar</b>
<b>Item</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
Executive	\$ 213,350	\$ 217,643	\$ 223,650	4.8%	\$ 10,300
Election/Registration	\$ 16,330	\$ 16,855	\$ 16,030	-1.8%	-\$ 300
Financial Administration	\$ 71,450	\$ 74,087	\$ 77,050	7.8%	\$ 5,600
Revaluation of Property	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,796	\$ 10,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Legal Expense	\$ 13,000	\$ 4,541	\$ 8,000	-38.5%	-\$ 5,000
Personnel Administration	\$ 9,500	\$ 9,789	\$ 10,300	8.4%	\$ 800
Planning and Zoning	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,221	\$ 1,700	0.0%	\$ 0
General Government Buildings	\$ 17,025	\$ 17,849	\$ 17,025	0.0%	\$ 0
Cemeteries	\$ 36,100	\$ 34,617	\$ 34,100	-5.5%	-\$ 2,000
Insurances	\$ 56,500	\$ 54,786	\$ 65,200	15.4%	\$ 8,700
Regional Associations	\$ 6,100	\$ 5,727	\$ 6,100	0.0%	\$ 0
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>					
Police	\$ 412,688	\$ 433,366	\$ 431,000	4.4%	\$ 18,312
Ambulance	\$ 37,000	\$ 37,065	\$ 38,000	2.7%	\$ 1,000
Fire	\$ 99,500	\$ 98,250	\$ 60,000	-39.7%	-\$ 39,500
Building Inspection	\$ 11,900	\$ 11,296	\$ 11,900	0.0%	\$ 0
Emergency Management	\$ 250	\$ 0	\$ 250	0.0%	\$ 0
Hydrant Rentals/FFT	\$ 4,100	\$ 3,600	\$ 4,100	0.0%	\$ 0
Dispatch Service	\$ 32,000	\$ 30,974	\$ 38,000	18.8%	\$ 6,000
<b>HIGHWAYS, STREETS</b>					
Highway Administration	\$ 21,550	\$ 22,579	\$ 21,550	0.0%	\$ 0
Highway and Streets	\$ 703,510	\$ 712,716	\$ 721,535	2.6%	\$ 18,025
Road Projects	\$ 117,360	\$ 75,742	\$ 119,000	1.4%	\$ 1,640
Street Lights	\$ 12,000	\$ 9,512	\$ 10,000	-16.7%	-\$ 2,000
<b>SANITATION</b>					
Solid Waste Collection	\$ 167,000	\$ 166,646	\$ 170,500	2.1%	\$ 3,500
Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 49,310	\$ 54,438	\$ 50,810	3.0%	\$ 1,500
<b>Health</b>					
Health Department	\$ 18,485	\$ 11,689	\$ 13,610	-26.4%	-\$ 4,875
Animal Control	\$ 500	\$ 155	\$ 500	0.0%	\$ 0
<b>WELFARE</b>					
General Assistance	\$ 10,000	\$ 16,901	\$ 20,000	100.0%	\$ 10,000
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>					
Recreation Commission	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,441	\$ 20,000	5.3%	\$ 1,000
Libraries	\$ 153,227	\$ 145,457	\$ 157,040	2.5%	\$ 3,813
Patriotic Purposes	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,286	\$ 1,500	0.0%	\$ 0
Conservation Commission	\$ 500	\$ 735	\$ 500	0.0%	\$ 0

**BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD**  
**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue**  
**January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 to December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019**  
**(Continued)**

**DEBT SERVICE**

Principal Long-term debt	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500	\$ 0	-100.0%	-\$ 12,500
Interest Long-term debt	\$ 150	\$ 145	\$ 0	-100.0%	-\$ 150
<b>OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,335,085</b>	<b>\$ 2,312,404</b>	<b>\$ 2,358,950</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>\$ 23,865</b>

**EXPENDITURES**

<b>Item</b>	<b>2018 Approved</b>	<b>2018 Expenditures</b>	<b>2019 Request</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>					
New Library Building	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 975,000		\$ 975,000
Fire PVFD Debt Retirement	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 135,200		\$ 135,200
Hwy Truck Replacement	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 155,000		\$ 155,000
Hwy Transportation Fund	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Hwy Equipment Reserve Fund	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Hwy Bridge Fund	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Hwy Gravel Reclamation Fund	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Facilities Fund	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Revaluation Fund	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Town Hall Repair Fund	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	0.0%	\$ 0
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	\$ 5,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Fire New Equipment Fund	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Meriden Library Fund	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	0.0%	\$ 0
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b>\$ 242,500</b>	<b>\$ 242,500</b>	<b>\$ 1,507,700</b>	<b>521.7%</b>	<b>\$ 1,265,200</b>
<b>GROSS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 2,577,585</b>	<b>\$ 2,554,904</b>	<b>\$ 3,866,650</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>\$ 1,289,065</b>



**BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD**  
**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue**  
**January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 to December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019**

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Dollar</b>
<b>Item</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>TAXES</b>		<b>DEC</b>			
Land Use Change Tax (1/2)	\$ 9,490	\$ 9,490	\$ 8,700	-8.3%	-\$ 790
Yield Taxes	\$ 25,000	\$ 24,463	\$ 20,000	-20.0%	-\$ 5,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	300.0%	\$ 3,000
Interest & Penalties	\$ 55,000	\$ 47,319	\$ 47,000	-14.5%	-\$ 8,000
Excavations	\$ 0	\$ 154	\$ 0		\$ 0
<b>LICENSES AND PERMITS</b>					
Licenses & Fees	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,639	\$ 6,000	0.0%	\$ 0
Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$ 535,000	\$ 586,763	\$ 580,000	8.4%	\$ 45,000
Trash User Fees	\$ 75,000	\$ 84,144	\$ 84,000	12.0%	\$ 9,000
<b>STATE REVENUE</b>					
Rooms and Meals Dist	\$ 126,637	\$ 123,387	\$ 123,387	-2.6%	-\$ 3,250
Highway Block Grant	\$ 117,360	\$ 118,235	\$ 119,000	1.4%	\$ 1,640
State Reimbursements	\$ 65	\$ 0	\$ 100	53.8%	\$ 35
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICE</b>					\$ 0
Income from Departments	\$ 40,000	\$ 46,432	\$ 45,000	12.5%	\$ 5,000
Reimbursements	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,959	\$ 0	-100.0%	-\$ 20,000
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE</b>					
Sale of Town Property	\$ 3,500	\$ 5,337	\$ 6,000	71.4%	\$ 2,500
Interest on Deposits	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,927	\$ 5,000	66.7%	\$ 2,000
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>					
Long-term Borrowing	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 487,500		
Private Fundraising	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 487,500		
Capital Reserve Funds	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 155,000		\$ 155,000
Trust Funds	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,893	\$ 8,000	-20.0%	-\$ 2,000
Fund Balance Utilization	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 135,200		\$ 135,200
<b>BUDGET REVENUE TOTALS</b>	\$ 1,027,052	\$ 1,089,142	\$ 2,321,387		
<b>NET APPROPRIATION</b>	\$ 1,550,533	\$ 1,465,762	\$ 1,545,263	-0.3%	-\$ 5,270
Change in dollars from taxation:			-\$5,270		
Projected tax rate impact			-\$ 0.02		

## **TOWN MEETING MINUTES**

**March 17, 2018**

Plainfield, New Hampshire

The annual meeting for the Town of Plainfield began at the Plainfield Elementary School on Bonner Road on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. Moderator Paul Franklin opened the meeting at 8:00 am with the reading of Articles 1 & 2 and the posting certifications. Stephen Halleran made a motion to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant, seconded by Robin Marsh. A unanimous voice vote in the affirmative followed and the Polls were declared opened.

**Number on Checklist: 1629 Same Day Registrants: 1**

**Number of Regular Ballots Cast: 127 Number of Absentee Ballots Cast: 7**

**Percentage of Voting: 8%**

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose by ballot: One Select Board member 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, one Moderator for two years and any other necessary town officers.

**Moderator for two years:**

Paul Franklin	134
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**Paul Franklin** was declared elected.

**Supervisor of the Checklist:**

Harold "Dewey" Jones	130
Write In: Diane Rogers	1

**Harold "Dewey" Jones** was declared elected.

**Select Board Member for three years:**

Robert W. Taylor	131
Write Ins:	
Myra Ferguson	1
Chris Forman	1
Richard Rogers	1
Dennis Girouard	1
Boone Rondeau	1

**Robert W. Taylor** was declared elected.

**Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years:**

Donald E. Garfield	130
Write In: Andy Kuhre	1

**Donald E. Garfield** was declared elected.

**Two Library Trustees for three years:**

Stephanie T. Berman	125
Nancy Liston	106
Write-Ins:	
Nancy Norwalk	3
Cindy Heath	3
Andrea Keen	1
Virginia Drye	1

**Stephanie T. Berman** and **Nancy Liston** were declared elected.

**One Cemetery Trustee for three years:**

James L. Taylor	131
Write Ins:	
Bonnie Swift	1
Virginia Drye	1
Bev Widger	1

**James L. Taylor** 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:

**Question 1.** In order to make the Accessory Dwelling Unit ordinance (approved in 2014, amended 2016) in compliance with newly enacted RSA 674:73 Accessory Dwelling Units (effective June 2017) the following changes are proposed:

**Amend Criteria #3 which reads**

3. ADU's may be between 320 and 800 sq feet and cannot exceed 50% of the gross living area of the primary residence.



**to read:**

3. ADU's may be no larger than 800 sq feet and may not exceed 50% of the gross living area of the primary residence.

**Amend Criteria #5 which reads:**

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.

**to read:**

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.

**Amend the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) definition which reads:**

**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

**to read:**

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

Those voting **YES: 124**

Those voting **NO: 6**

**It was a vote in the affirmative and so declared.**

Don Jordan made a motion to recess the Town Meeting, seconded by Jeff Marsh and a unanimous voice vote was in the affirmative. The Moderator closed the polls at 7pm and recessed the meeting until Saturday, March 17, 2018 at 10am.

On Saturday, March 17, 2018 Moderator Paul Franklin re-opened the meeting at the Plainfield Elementary School at 10:00am. The meeting began with a salute to the flag, a round of “America the Beautiful” and a few words of encouragement offered by Reverend Harold “Dewey” Jones.

Moderator Franklin introduced the panel noting the absence of Select Board member Judy Belyea who was ill with the flu. He then explained the rules of the meeting. Steven Taylor 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.** The Moderator recognized Selectman Rob Taylor who offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: To see if the Town will vote to organize the municipal “Town of Plainfield Fire Department” in accordance with RSA 154:1, III, which provides that “a municipality may choose a form of fire department organization different from those set forth in paragraph I, including the election of fire chief, fire officers or firefighters, or all such persons, by the firefighters.” The firefighters will recommend one Fire Chief for the town of Plainfield to be appointed by the Select Board. The selection of all other officers and firefighting positions will be at the discretion of the fire chief with the approval of the Select Board. The fire department will be formed from the buildings, equipment and fire apparatus, currently owned and managed by the two individual Fire Departments (Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department Inc., and Meriden Volunteer Fire Department Inc.) In accordance with RSA 154:1, IV, this change, if approved, shall not take effect until one year after the approval of this Article.

The motion was seconded by Steve Halleran. Rob Taylor explained the article and the floor was open for discussion.

**A vote by paper ballot was taken.**

**Yes: 131 No: 2**

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

The Moderator then recognized Select Board member Robert Taylor who awarded the Stephen H. Taylor Community Service Award to Stephen A. Beaupre for his service to the town. His service and work spans more than 5 decades and has included being a long time teacher and principal in Plainfield, beginning when there were multiple schools between the two villages. He has been a volunteer Fireman with MVFD for 53 years! He has served on many boards and committees and is a true humanitarian. Congratulation Steve! He received a standing ovation.

**ARTICLE 4.** The Moderator recognized Stephen Halleran, who offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. That the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,335,085** to defray town charges for the 2018 fiscal year. The Select Board proposes the following budget:

<b>1. Executive</b>	<b>\$213,350</b>
<b>2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics</b>	<b>16,330</b>
<b>3. Financial Administration</b>	<b>71,450</b>
<b>4. Revaluation of Property</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>5. Legal Expenses</b>	<b>13,000</b>
<b>6. Personnel Administration</b>	<b>9,500</b>
<b>7. Planning and Zoning</b>	<b>1,700</b>
<b>8. General Government Buildings</b>	<b>17,025</b>
<b>9. Cemeteries</b>	<b>36,100</b>
<b>10. Insurance</b>	<b>56,500</b>
<b>11. Regional Associations</b>	<b>6,100</b>
<b>12. Police</b>	<b>412,688</b>
<b>13. Ambulance Service</b>	<b>37,000</b>
<b>14. Fire</b>	<b>-Plainfield</b>
	<b>-Meriden</b>
<b>15. Building Inspection</b>	<b>11,900</b>
<b>16. Emergency Management</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>17. Hydrant &amp; Forest Fire Expense</b>	<b>4,100</b>
<b>18. Dispatching for Fire, Police &amp; Ambulance</b>	<b>32,000</b>
<b>19. Highway Administration</b>	<b>21,550</b>
<b>20. Highways and Streets</b>	<b>703,510</b>
<b>21. Road Projects</b>	<b>117,360</b>
<b>22. Street Lights</b>	<b>12,000</b>
<b>23. Solid Waste Collection</b>	<b>167,000</b>
<b>24. Solid Waste Disposal</b>	<b>49,310</b>
<b>25. Health Agencies</b>	<b>18,485</b>
<b>26. Animal Control</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>27. Welfare</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>28. Recreation Commission</b>	<b>19,000</b>
<b>29. Library</b>	<b>153,227</b>
<b>30. Patriotic</b>	<b>1,500</b>
<b>31. Conservation Commission</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>32. Principal Long-term debt</b>	<b>12,500</b>
<b>33. Interest Long-term debt</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,335,085</b>

The motion was seconded by Rob Taylor. Steve Halleran re-capped 2017, noting projects that had been completed. He broke down the budget by sections, explaining increases. He gave a quick run down of major projects happening in 2018. The floor was then open to debate and discussion.

**A vote by paper ballot was taken.**

**Yes: 129 No: 15**

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

**ARTICLE 5.** The Moderator recognized Steve Halleran who offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. That the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$192,500** 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	Town Facilities Maintenance Fund created in 2015.
\$10,000	Revaluation Fund created in 1993.
\$75,000	Highway Equipment Fund created in 1987.
\$55,000	Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006.
\$10,000	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 31:19-a funds:

\$10,000	Town Hall Repair Fund established in 1996.
\$2,500	Library Building Repair Fund established in 1992.

The Select Board is named agent to expend for the bridge fund, the town hall repair fund, the library building repair fund, the revaluation fund, the transportation improvement fund, the police equipment fund, the facilities maintenance fund and the highway equipment fund  
The motion was seconded by Ron Eberhardt.

**A vote by paper ballot was taken.**

**Yes: 134 No: 5**

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

**ARTICLE 6.** The Moderator recognized Rob Taylor who offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: That the town vote to establish, pursuant to RSA 35:1 a capital reserve fund to be called the Fire Department Equipment Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$25,000** to be placed in this fund. Said purpose of the fund is for the future replacement of fire department equipment including vehicles. Further, to name the Select Board as agents to expend. The motion was seconded by Steve Halleran.

**A vote by paper ballot was taken.**

**Yes: 137 No: 5**

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

**ARTICLE 7.** The Moderator recognized Steve Halleran who offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. That the town vote to establish, pursuant to RSA 35:1 a capital reserve fund to be called the Meriden Library Building Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$25,000** to be placed in this fund. Said purpose of the fund is for the renovation and/or replacement of the Meriden Library Building. Further, to name the Select Board as agents to expend. The existing Meriden Library Building does not meet the requirements of the American Disability Act (ADA). Any significant renovation or the replacement of the building will result in material compliance with the ADA. The Select Board recommends this appropriation. The motion was seconded by Ron Eberhardt.

**A vote by paper ballot was taken.**

**Yes: 121 No: 22**

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

**ARTICLE 8.** The Moderator recognized Lee Lynd who offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: That the Town of Plainfield vote to commit to a goal of 100% reliance on renewable sources of electricity by 2030 and renewable sources for all other energy needs, including for heating and transportation, by 2050.

The impetus for this goal is to achieve the public benefits of protecting the economic, health and social well-being of our citizens; to reduce energy costs to the community and to keep energy dollars in the local economy; as well as to reduce the risks to the community associated with any future escalation in energy prices, and to address the threat of global climate change.

The intent of this article is to effect policy at the local level in a fiscally responsible manner that will support and encourage individual action to shift toward renewable energy. It does not mandate changes to private property or the behavior of private citizens. This article is proposed by the town's Energy Committee. The motion was seconded by Steve Halleran.

**A vote by paper ballot was taken.**

**Yes: 100 No: 22**

**The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.**

**ARTICLE 9.** The Moderator recognized Ron Eberhardt who offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: That the town vote to **repeal and**

**replace** its current wind (RSA 72:66) and solar power (RSA 72:62) exemption adopted at the 2008 town meeting which reads as follows: An exemption of 100% of the value of accessory use generation systems up to a maximum of \$50,000 in taxable value. Criteria for granting the exemption shall be that the installed system must generate energy for the owner's primary residence or place of business located on the site. The system, however, may transfer surplus energy to the electric grid. Commercial solar and wind generation facilities that represent the primary use of the property shall not be eligible for this exemption. The **replacement** exemption to read as follows: An exemption pursuant to RSA 72, from property taxation for solar (72:62), wind (72:66) and wood heating (72:69) energy systems in Plainfield. The exemption will be 100% of the energy system value up to a maximum of \$300,000. The motion was seconded by Steve Halleran.

**A vote by paper ballot was taken.**

**Yes: 79 No: 17**

**The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.**

**ARTICLE 10.** The Moderator recognized Steve Halleran who 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. The motion was seconded by Ron Eberhardt.

The committee from last year was recognized.

**A voice vote was taken.**

**The "Aye's" were unanimous.**

**The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.**

**ARTICLE 11.** The Moderator recognized Ron Eberhardt who 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.

The motion was seconded by Steve Halleran.

**A voice vote was taken.**

**The “Aye’s” were unanimous.**

**The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.**

**ARTICLE 12.** The Moderator recognized Ron Eberhardt who offered the following motion and moved its adoption: That the town vote to accept the reports of town officers as they appear in the 2017 annual report, subject to any corrections. A certified copy to be kept by the Town Clerk.

The motion was seconded by Steve Halleran.

**A voice vote was taken.**

**The “Aye’s” were unanimous.**

**The vote was in the affirmative and so declared.**

**ARTICLE 13.** Moderator Franklin swore in the following newly elected officers:

Harold “Dewey” Jones, Supervisor of the Checklist

Town Clerk, Michelle Marsh swore Moderator Paul Franklin, Trustee of the Trust Funds, Donald Garfield and Selectman Robert Taylor into office on 3/17/2018.

Town Clerk, Michelle Marsh swore in Library Trustee Nancy Liston and Cemetery Trustee James Taylor on 3/21/2018.

Deputy Town Clerk, Susan Liebowitz swore in Library Trustee Stephanie Berman on 3/21/2018.

John Yacavone moved to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Stephen Taylor and a unanimous voice vote in the affirmative followed. Moderator Paul Franklin declared the meeting closed at 2:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Michelle Marsh*

Town Clerk

# TREASURER'S REPORT

<b>Cash on hand, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018</b>	
Cash-checking	\$ 3,526,274
Cash-Investments	\$     3,528
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,529,802</b>
Receipts/ transfers in during the year	\$ 9,255,921
<b>Total available</b>	<b>\$12,785,723</b>
Less Select Board's orders/transfers out	\$8,989,917
<b>Cash On Hand, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>\$3,795,806</b>
Cash-Checking	\$3,792,213
Cash-Investments	\$3,593

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
Treasurer *Sarah Brookes-Governo,*

## ONGOING AUTHORTIES

The town endorses the organizational structure of the two fire departments, per RSA 154:1 III. Article 18 ,1995 Town Meeting.

Authority for the Select Board to convey real estate acquired by tax collector's deed. RSA 80:80. Article 4, 1995 Town Meeting.

The Select Board 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 Select Board 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 Select Board 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 Select Board to borrow funds on behalf of the municipality in anticipation of taxes. RSA 33:7 Article 9, 1995 Town Meeting.

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



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.

Select Board to appoint a Treasurer to an annual term as allowed by RSA 41:26-e. Article 7, 2010 Town Meeting.

Select Board 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.

Indemnification of Town Officials/Employees, see April 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 Select Board minutes.  
Official locations of posting of public notices, see August 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 Select Board minutes.

Further the Select Board is named agents to expend for thirteen 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.
- Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006, authority 2008.
- Townsend Bridge Fund created in 2006, authority 2006.
- Town Beautification, Operation Fund created in 2009.
- Police Department Equipment Fund created in 2011.
- Town Facilities Maintenance Fund created in 2015.
- Highway Equipment Fund created in 1987, authority 2015.
- Fire Department Equipment Fund created in 2018.
- Meriden Library Building Fund created in 2018.

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS-March 2018**

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Executive.....	\$ 213,350
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics.....	16,330
Financial Administration.....	71,450
Revaluation of Property .....	10,000
Legal Expense .....	13,000
Personnel Administration.....	9,500
Planning and Zoning .....	1,700
General Government Buildings.....	17,025
Cemeteries.....	36,100
Insurances.....	56,500
Advertising and Regional Expense .....	6,100

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Police Department.....	412,688
Ambulance .....	37,000
Fire Protection.....	99,500
Emergency Management.....	250
Dispatch and Forest Fire Expense .....	36,100
Building Inspection.....	11,900

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS-March 2018 (continued)

### HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES

Administration .....	\$21,550
Highways and Streets .....	703,510
Road Projects .....	117,360
Street Lights .....	12,000

### SANITATION

Garbage Collection.....	167,000
Solid Waste Disposal .....	49,310

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department .....	18,485
Pest Control.....	500

### WELFARE

Welfare Department .....	10,000
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### CULTURE AND RECREATION

Recreation Commission .....	19,000
Libraries .....	153,227
Patriotic .....	1,500
Conservation Commission .....	500

### DEBT SERVICE

Principal on Long-term debts .....	12,500
Interest on Long-term debts .....	150

**OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL .....** **\$2,335,085**

### OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT TO RESERVES

#### RSA 35:1 Funds

Article 5, Facilities Fund .....	15,000
Article 5, Revaluation Fund .....	10,000
Article 5, Highway Equipment Fund .....	75,000
Article 5, Transportation Improvement Fund.....	55,000
Article 5, Bridge Fund.....	10,000
Article 5, ADA Access Fund.....	5,000
Article 5, Police Equipment Fund .....	5,000
Article 5, Gravel Pit Reclamation Fund .....	5,000
Article 6, Fire Department Equipment Fund.....	25,000
Article 7, Meriden Library Building Fund .....	25,000

#### RSA 31:19a Funds

Article 5, Town Hall Repair Fund.....	10,000
Article 5, Library Building Repair Fund .....	2,500

**TOTAL TO RESERVES .....** **\$242,500**

**TOTAL TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATIONS .....** **\$2,577,585**

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land, improved and unimproved .....	\$79,395,210
Buildings .....	217,482,500
Public Utilities.....	7,626
<b>Total value before exemptions .....</b>	<b>\$304,503,710</b>

Blind Exemption .....	141,000
Elderly Exemption .....	1,671,500
Total and Permanently Disabled Exemption .....	47,000
Solar Energy Exemption .....	1,898,500
Wind Power Exemption .....	8,800
School/Dining/Kitchen Exemption (state law).....	150,000
<b>Total exemptions allowed .....</b>	<b>\$3,916,800</b>

**Net value used for local tax rate.....\$300,586,910**

**Net value used for state education rate .....\$292,960,910**  
(local tax rate value less utilities)

### Electric Utility Property detail

Liberty Utilities .....	\$2,144,200
New England Power Company .....	\$2,782,800
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative .....	\$1,431,300
Public Service of NH dba Eversource .....	\$1,267,700

## WAR SERVICE CREDITS

Total and Permanently Disabled Veterans .....	\$7,000
Standard Exemptions (\$500/veteran) .....	\$52,165
<b>Total war service credits.....</b>	<b>\$59,165</b>

## CURRENT USE REPORT

Land Categories	Acres
Farm Land .....	2,999
Forest Land.....	16,890
Forest Land (w/documented stewardship).....	6,878
Unproductive Land.....	528
Wetlands .....	810
<b>Total acres in current use (includes conservation restrictions) .....</b>	<b>28,105</b>

## TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Total Town Appropriation		\$2,577,585
Total Revenues and Credits	less	1,024,751
Overlay	add	59,386
War Service Credits	add	59,165
<b>A) Net Town Appropriation</b>	<b>Equals</b>	<b>\$1,671,385</b>
Net Local School Budget		6,250,372
Adequate Education Grant	less	628,087
State Education Taxes	less	593,999
<b>B) Approved Local School Assessment</b>	<b>Equals</b>	<b>5,028,286</b>
<b>C) Approved State Education Assessment</b>	<b>Equals</b>	<b>593,999</b>
<b>D) Approved County Tax Assessment</b>	<b>Equals</b>	<b>776,637</b>
<b>Total Town, School, and County (a+b+c+d)</b>	<b>Equals</b>	<b>\$8,070,307</b>

## TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Tax Effort	\$8,070,307
Less War Service Credits	59,165
<b>Total Property Taxes to be Raised</b>	<b>\$8,011,142</b>

## TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

	Prior year tax rate	Approved year tax rate
Town	5.74	5.56
County	3.03	2.58
School local	17.15	16.73
School state	2.33	2.03
<b>Combined tax rate</b>	<b>\$28.25</b>	<b>\$26.90</b>

Net value on which local tax rates are computed	\$269,238,594	300,586,910
Net value on which state tax rate is computed	\$259,672,028	292,960,910
(Net local value less utility valuations)		

## TAX EXEMPT PROPERTIES

### CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

Community Baptist Church & parsonage (map107/lot 6).....	\$782,700
First Baptist Church & parsonage(104/3) .....	520,700
Meriden Congregational Church & parsonage (102/06) .....	1,327,500
Connecticut Valley Christ Community Church (259/7).....	3,412,300

### EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Kimball Union Academy (state law educational prop) .....	33,268,050
Kimball Union Academy (state law dorm, kitchen, dining prop) .....	150,000

### CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

New England Wildflower Association (239/02) .....	251,500
Plainfield Historical Society (107/25).....	175,500
Singing Hills Conference Facility (253/24) .....	2,822,100

### PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

The Nature Conservancy (256/01) .....	22,100
Meriden Volunteer Fire Department (104/29) .....	293,900
Meriden Village Water and Sewer District .(105/14, 102/18.01).....	930,900
Plainfield Village Water District (260-41,256-15).....	436,400
Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department (259-34) .....	346,100

### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Land on Stage Road (253/11).....	3,300
Land on River Road (multiple parcels) .....	87,300
Duncan State Forest (231/9,232/10),.....	189,400

### GRANGES

Blow-Me-Down Grange (107/39).....	431,400
Meriden Grange (104/25).....	198,300

### LAND OWNED BY OTHER TOWNS

Cornish (271/07) .....	3,400
Grantham (248/01) .....	27,000

**TOTAL EXEMPT PROPERTIES ..... \$45,679,850**

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED LAND AND BUILDINGS

Plainfield Town Hall (map 107/lot 27) .....	\$333,700
-Meriden(includes Police Dept.) (102/1).....	499,300
Libraries –Plainfield (107/8) .....	1,153,500
-Meriden (104/23) .....	303,300
Highway Garage(253-01).....	350,000
Plainfield Elementary School (105/11) .....	4,571,500
Burnap's Island (203/14).....	51,600

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

Stage Road land (252/27) .....	33,900
Gravel Pit lot (258/12).....	148,300
Gravel Pit Annex lot (258/11) .....	130,700
Spencer Lot (242-04).....	100,100
Whitaker Road Intersections (262/3).....	10,100
Tallow Hill Intersection (254-19).....	3,600
French's Ledges (243/1).....	47,200
Benson Donation (225/15,225/19) .....	156,800
Thompson Donation (Moulton Cemetery) (106/7).....	55,000
Farnum Lot (234/6) .....	113,900
Town Pound (241-15).....	18,200
School Street Land (105/12.1).....	61,900
Meriden Covered Bridge Lot (101/9).....	11,700
Sumner's Falls Ledges (238/6).....	4,700
Stage Road Land Hewes Field (240/01).....	234,300
Stage Road (253/10) .....	18,900
Hedgehog Road Land (236/4) .....	7,400
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$8,419,600</b>

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK – 2018

It's time for registering dogs and boats. Remember to call ahead when planning to register a new car, we can give quotes and let you know the key paperwork to bring.

If you're looking for a new car, give us a call with the VIN # and we can give you a quote for the registration fee.

We are looking into the possibility of accepting credit cards for Motor Vehicles. Stay tuned to the website as we will announce it there if it happens.

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 31<sup>st</sup> 2018**

-Debits-

**Uncollected Taxes**

Beginning of fiscal year	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017+</b>
Property taxes		\$266,893
Timber yield tax		\$0
Land use change tax		\$0
Excavations		\$0
Property tax credit balance	(\$191,111)	

**Taxes Committed to Collector**

Property taxes	\$8,026,421
Land use change taxes	\$17,500
Yield taxes	\$24,550
Excavation taxes	\$154

**Overpayments**

Property taxes	\$6,314	
Interest collected on delinquent taxes	\$2,423	\$16,245

<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$7,886,252</b>	<b>\$283,138</b>
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-Credits-

**Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year**

Property taxes	\$7,580,978	\$150,968
Land use changes taxes	\$17,500	\$0
Excavation	\$154	\$0
Timber yield taxes	\$24,550	\$0
Interest on taxes	\$2,423	\$14,766
Penalties	\$0	\$1,478
Converted to liens (principal only)	\$0	\$115,926
Prior year overpayments assigned		

**Abatements Granted During Fiscal Year**

Property taxes	\$14,963	\$0
Yield Taxes	\$0	

**Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year**

Property taxes	\$249,562	\$0
Yield Tax	\$0	
Land Use Change Tax	\$0	
Property Tax Credit Balance	\$(3,878)	

<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$7,886,252</b>	<b>\$283,138</b>
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**TAX COLLECTOR'S LIEN REPORT**  
**December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018**

	-Debits-		
<b>Unredeemed Liens</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Beginning of year	\$0	\$114,416	\$85,523
New liens	\$124,899	\$0	\$0
Interests/Penalties	\$2,950	\$10,559	\$15,212
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$127,849</b>	<b>\$124,975</b>	<b>\$100,735</b>
	-Credits-		
<b>Remittance to Treasurer</b>			
Redemptions	\$25,773	\$52,021	\$65,672
Interest/Penalties	\$2,950	\$10,559	\$15,213
Abatements of Unredeemed liens	\$0	\$0	\$90,568
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$815	\$819	\$789
Unredeemed liens	\$98,311	\$61,576	\$19063
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$127,849</b>	<b>\$124,975</b>	<b>\$100,735</b>

**REPORT OF WOOD OR TIMBER CUT**  
**Year ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018**

Total reports filed .....	23
Total yield tax assessed .....	\$24,550
Softwood cut, MBF .....	1,188
Hardwood cut, MBF .....	461
Cordwood cut, cords.....	615
Pulpwood/chips, tons.....	3,155
Pulpwood, cords .....	0
Whole tree chips, tons .....	4,165

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Judith A. Belyea,*  
Yield Tax Agent



## SELECT BOARD REPORT -2018

As always, we wish to thank all of the people who work to make Plainfield the vibrant community that it is: Our dedicated professional staff, the volunteers who give so generously of their time and expertise to serve on boards and committees and the citizens who come to meetings or make their voices heard in other ways. Here is an update of some of our 2018 work. Complete minutes of 2018 Select Board meetings can be found at the town website, [www.plainfieldnh.org](http://www.plainfieldnh.org).

Our highway department did paving work on Willow Brook Road, High Street and Jenney Road this year. A major project was the replacement of both the Camp Road and Houser Lane bridges. The two projects cost about \$230,000; \$99,000 was paid by monies received from the state of New Hampshire, SB 38.

There has been some public support for a crosswalk on 12A between the library and the town hall. Traffic on Route 12A is about 3,000 cars per day. Typically the threshold is 9,000 per day for crosswalks to be considered. The town would be responsible for constructing and maintaining landings and lighting at both ends of the walk. After consideration, we chose the option of using signs and cones when there is an event being held at the library or the town hall. This seems to have the desired effect of calming traffic and creating a safe environment for crossing.

We continue to discuss pedestrian safety on Bonner Road. Measures taken to date include police patrols, speed trailer, fog lines and new road signs. These have helped to slow traffic speeds. Flashing lights might be the next step but due to cost, this would have to wait for a new budget cycle.

The Select Board has approved a revised fee schedule for building permits. Most fees increased by between \$15 and \$50 depending on the scope of the project. The last update to these fees was in 2008. In developing the new fees the goal is to capture the costs of inspecting, listing and mapping the project covered by the permit while at the same time keeping the cost of permits reasonable. For example, the base fee for new homes was \$300 and will now be \$350. A renewal of permit was \$35 and will now be \$50.

We now have a web-based interface for the town's GIS data. This gives us a digital way to utilize our tax maps, allowing for the viewing and printing of the town's GIS data on line. Tax maps can be overlaid with other GIS data, like satellite imagery, flood plain maps, zoning maps, assessing data. This is a culmination of efforts begun by the Conservation Commission in 2003.

The Selectmen supported the Library Trustees approved plan to place Town Facility Manager Brad Atwater in the role of point person for the Meriden Library replacement project. Brad has worked with the Meriden Library building committee to prepare a plan, with anticipated costs, for the removal and replacement of the existing Meriden Library building. This will be presented at the 2019 town meeting.

The Select Board has been considering the idea of raising income limits for senior property tax exemptions. We hope to gain voter approval to raise the income limits for the seniors to receive tax exemptions at town meeting this year. Currently a single person

making more than \$23,500 or a couple making more than \$30,000 cannot qualify for local property tax relief.

Our police department continues to spend time and effort trying to protect our residents from fraud and scams, educating residents about the dangers of sending money orders or payments for services not yet received. Please contact our police department if you have any questions or concerns about solicitations or “too good to be true” opportunities.

Avitar Associates has completed our town wide property assessment update. The goal of the update was to accurately reflect market values in Plainfield as of 4/1/18.

The town meeting approved creation of a single municipal fire department from our two private fire departments is nearly complete. The assets of the two departments are scheduled to be transferred to the town on February 20<sup>th</sup> with the official appointment of a fire chief and fire fighters to follow by statute one year from the date of the enabling vote taken last March. Both private associations plan to continue to exist and will support our new fire department.

Stephanie Schell continues to maximize our limited Human Services resources through her dedication, creativity and generous use of her time. Check out <https://www.plainfieldnh.org/humanservices.htm> to get an idea of some of the ways our Community Resources Director can assist those in need."

The Select Board voted to make the two official posting locations for public meetings the Town Offices and the town website. State law now allows the website to be one of the required two. We will still try to post at the Plainfield Town Hall bulletin board, but it is no longer one of the two official posting sites.

Since we voted overwhelmingly at Town Meeting last year to join over 100 towns and cities in the U.S. in committing to use 100% renewable energy for electricity by 2030 and 100% renewable for all energy use by 2050, we have been working on ways to achieve that goal. The Energy Committee has been invaluable in helping us to determine how best to move forward. In order to plan for our town's energy future, they have recently recommended that we form a stakeholders committee to focus on this issue. We will be discussing this matter at upcoming Select Board meetings.

The Select Board was pleased to work with resident Virginia Drye on several projects related to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of WWI. See the inside of the town report cover for more information.

As always, we invite you to join us at any of our meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. We meet at the Plainfield Library on the first Wednesday of each new quarter. Contact any of us or call the Town Office if you want to express any concerns or opinions. The Select Board has been exploring how best to engage more of our citizens in the democratic process. Whether you just decide to vote in every election, attend meetings or join or form committees, your voice will be welcome. The higher the level of citizen participation, the greater the likelihood that Plainfield reflects the visions of its citizens. See you at Town Meeting.

Select Board *Judy Belyea Chair, Ron Eberhardt, Rob Taylor*

## REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

As directed by the Select Board the town office worked on the following projects during 2018:

**Fire Department Municipalization:** The passage of article 3 at the 2018 town meeting established a timeline for the creation of a new municipal fire department to be made from the assets of our two private fire companies. This change is at the request of the fire departments and as dictated by state law will be completed one year from the date of the authorizing vote. See RSA 154.

**Camp Road and Houser Lane Bridges:** Both bridges were replaced this past summer. The early onset of winter made the end of the project difficult, but guardrail was installed (during a two day snow storm) and the paved approaches will be completed in 2019. Essentially the two bridges are now complete, save some final site work and the paving of the approaches.

**Assessing Update:** As required by the state constitution, towns must update their assessing records every five years. Plainfield's last update was in 2013; our next update will be 2023 and will feature a full measure and list project similar to the one completed in 2013. The 2018 project resulted in values increasing on average about 14%.

**GIS System:** As part of the assessing update the Select Board approved and we brought on line a GIS system for Plainfield. The web based system allows tax maps and assessing data to be viewed on line. Tax maps can be projected with a variety of layers including, flood maps, zoning district, areal photos. The new system can be access from the town's website or by navigating directly to [www.axisgis.com/PlainfieldNH/](http://www.axisgis.com/PlainfieldNH/). The system is a very powerful tool that has been well received.

**Mill Cemetery:** The merging of the private Mill Cemetery into the public cemetery system that was approved at the 2014 town meeting (article 9) was finally completed this year. The concepts were easy the legalities complex, but the work is now done. Public Cemetery Trustee James Taylor, who also served on the private Mill Cemetery board provided the necessary leadership to complete this project. Local attorney James Mulligan assisted the association by doing the necessary legal work.

**Meriden Library Replacement Options:** Following the passage of article 7 at the 2018 town meeting, many hours and a lot of money has been allocated this year to developing a price certain option for replacing the Meriden Library building with a barrier free, energy efficient structure that, if built, will serve our town well for decades. Town Facility Manager Brad Atwater took on this project and has served as the town's representative through countless planning sessions with a wide variety of consultants. The town's legislative body will decide whether or not to move forward with this project; our job has been to develop a creditable replacement plan that meets a variety of objectives and has more than 95% certainty on final costs. We feel we have achieved that goal.

Town Administrator, *Stephen Halleran*

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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

- Case 2018-01** Henry Ruppertberger barn/ADU #8 Daniels Road
- Case 2018-02** John Tomlinson, Cottage Business chem. toilet rental, #177 Ladieu Rd
- Case 2018-03** David Moore, special exception- storage barn, Conservation District
- Case 2018-04** KUA- setback encroachment, new faculty housing, Main Street
- Case 2018-05** Chris Laundry, approved business project apartments/trucking company #142 Route 12A
- Case 2018-06** Landmark Property Maintenance, Approved Business Project, landscaping/trucking firm #361 Route 12A

### Other business

**Case 2018-07** BART Industries, request to modify hours of operation #360 Rte 12A warehouse. Case was withdrawn by the applicant.

Submitted,  
*Richard Colburn*, Chair  
Zoning Board of Adjustment

## PLANNING BOARD

During the year the planning board approved the following applications:

### Subdivision:

McGraw, Hugh & Marianne      One new lot Grantham Mt. Road

### Lot Mergers:

Kimball Union Academy      Main Street 105-31 and 103-12 into a single parcel  
Paul Cabot      Hayward Rd 260-25 and 260-26 into a single parcel

### Site Plan Review:

Thom's Tavern      Outside seating  
Kimball Union Academy      Maintenance Shop  
Christopher Laundry      Apartments/trucking business

## ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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

### Permits for the following projects were issued in 2018:

05	New single family residences	11	Renewals
01	Accessory Dwelling Unit	01	Replacement SFH
03	Institutional projects	14	Barns/Sheds/Outbuildings
06	Garages	04	Electrical upgrades
19	Renovations/Misc.	05	Additions
08	Decks/porches	07	Solar panels
01	Generators	03	Commercial Projects

Permit total= 88



**Stephen Wood (Abraham Lincoln), Stephen Taylor and Stephen Breyer  
enjoying a bit of conversation at the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in  
PlainfieldVillage**

**Photo Stephen Halleran**

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION DECEMBER 2018

The Plainfield Conservation Commission (PCC) is an advisory commission to the Plainfield Select Board. It was a lean year for your commission. We did manage to address our responsibilities to our publicly conserved properties, e.g. Mud Pond. We also offered some walks that featured Plainfield's old roads and to see and explore some established pollinator gardens.

### *Pollinator Gardens*

Many towns in the Upper Valley and New England are concentrating on keeping our pollinators (e.g., bees, butterflies, bats, birds, etc.) alive and flourishing. We need these natural pollinators to have a place to feed on the flowers, bugs and water you see every day. We use our lawnmowers and tractors to manicure the natural landscape and feed our livestock. Knowing how to create and nurture a pollinator garden somewhere on your property has become an urgent activity recently.

Conservation Commissions in many American towns have requested that we all work together to provide small or large areas of ground where the pollinators can easily find food and water. The garden may be as simple as to stop mowing a portion of your property and let that area go back to its natural state—even stopping fertilizing that soil! That means lessening that list of chores you have. Even a rotting log with its grubs and ants is food and shelter for some pollinators.

Without our pollinators, our own food supply will dwindle. The pollinators fertilize the sweet-smelling apple blossom so it becomes that juicy apple in late summer and early fall.

Plainfield's Conservation Commission protects and respects the town's beautiful landscape. We wish to continue our service to you and our shared land.

Respectfully Submitted, *Myra Ferguson*, Chair  
[pcc@plainfieldnh.org](mailto:pcc@plainfieldnh.org)

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUNDS YEAR END BALANCES

<b>Forestry Maintenance Fund</b>	01/01/18 Beg. Balance	\$19,069
Interest earned		\$353
<b>Balance</b>	<b>12/31/18</b>	<b>\$19,423</b>
<b>Conservation Fund</b>	01/01/17 Beg. Balance	<b>\$74,744</b>
Current use penalties		\$12,290
Interest earned		\$1,577
<b>Balance</b>	<b>12/31/18</b>	<b>\$88,611</b>

## RECREATION COMMISSION-2018

We finished the 2017-2018 basketball season in February. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade group of 17 students worked on learning basic skills at the PES gym. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys group of 10, practiced and played several games with local towns during the season. Focus was put on individual skills, playing as a team, and sportsmanship. Practices and home games were held at PES. We did not have enough 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls to have a team but a drop in practice schedule was put together for those interested. In the spring we started our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade baseball with a group of 11 boys. 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. They also all participated in a 3-Pitch Jamboree in May. We unfortunately were not able to field a 3/4 softball team again this year because of a low number of sign-ups. We ran our T-ball during the spring again this year. Participation was at 22 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and an additional 11 participants to make up our farm team. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Prescott Field.

Our annual fishing Derby was held on the morning of June 2nd in Blood Brook behind the Meriden Deli. 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 63 kids participate in the event and the big catch of the day was made by Kinley Gage with a trout of nearly 16". There were a total of 110 fish caught during the derby this year. We recorded 56 participants catching at least one fish and 54 of them catching the derby 2 fish limit. As always, it was a lot of fun watching the excitement as the fish were hooked. All kids had the opportunity to fish the brook at the completion of the derby, following NH law.

Our 7<sup>th</sup> annual Spirit Day was held on August 26th. This event is 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 Loose Cannons. They played throughout the evening while we enjoyed a corn roast, cooking on the grill and Mac's Maple Creamees, while relaxing and visiting with our friends and neighbors. The First Baptist Church provided lemonade and water. Also this year we had a magic show with Dylan Tenney, sponsored by the Meriden Deli and Poor Thom's Tavern. Dylan captured the attention of the group as he amazed them with his great talent and sleight of hand. The Plainfield Police, Plainfield and Meriden Fire departments as well as Cornish Rescue Squad were there for our safety and welcomed everyone to see the trucks and ask questions. The evening ended with the playing of our National Anthem as our fire department displayed a large flag hanging high from their ladder truck prior to a spectacular display of fireworks by Northstar Fireworks. 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 2019.

The Soccer program in the fall included the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys' team made up of 24 boys and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls' team made up of 12 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 groups participated in a soccer jamboree at the Sachem Fields. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade had three teams made up of a total of 41 players. These teams practiced basic skill and played games with each other at the Prescott Field. We had an additional 16 kids that participated in the kindergarten group. They worked on basic skills of the game. After a request came in and interest shown, we added a pre-school group this year. We had 23 participants in this last group. This continues to be a huge program with 116 participants in our pre-school through 4th grade soccer groups.

The 2018-2019 basketball season got started in November for our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4th grade boys (team of 15) and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls (team of 6). They are working on both individual and team skills and will play games with other area towns. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd grade group, working on basic skills at the PES gym has 17 participants and started in December.

I would like to thank the Meriden Deli, Hy-On-A-Hill Trout Farm, N.H. Fish and Game, Coca Cola Company, Vern's Worms, McNamara Dairy, Edgewater Farm, Taylor Farm, Poor Thom's Tavern, and First Baptist Church for your donations to the Fishing Derby and/or Spirit Day events. Thank you to the Plainfield School and facilities group for a place to hold our games, practices, events, and the help provided. I would also like to thank both the Fishing Derby Crew and the Spirit Day Crew for all your help in the preparation and work that you do during these events. Thank you to our many volunteer coaches, officials, and helpers that provide an opportunity for our local youth to participate in the sports programs that we offer. It is a combination of many volunteers that make these programs and events available and successful.

Respectfully submitted,

*Daniel P. Cantlin ,*  
Recreation Director



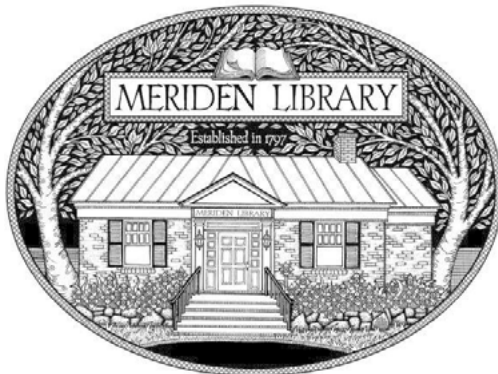
**2018 Fishing Derby**

**Photos S. Halleran**





**Aaraline Balch with her prize and trophy!!**  
**Photo S. Halleran**



## PLAINFIELD LIBRARY SYSTEM TRUSTEE REPORT

This past year has been a great one for our library system. We have made many difficult decisions in the past several years. While uncomfortable at the time, those decisions have made our operations smoother in the long run, and we have been reaping the benefits.

I'd like to thank our director Mary King for work in running the library system. She gets credit for introducing more innovative programming and digital offerings as well as the day-to-day necessities of meeting patrons' basic needs. She oversees a staff of seven and has been able to delegate to them important tasks like the summer reading program.

The board approved a new logo for our library system and created a beautiful new website, half of which was paid for through donations from both Friends groups (The Friends of the Meriden Library and Friends of Philip Read Memorial Library each donated \$1,000 towards the roughly \$4,000 total cost).

This past year the board followed through on its decision to charge our Cornish neighbors the \$40 fee to check out materials. While a small group of Plainfield and Cornish complained, we felt charging less than \$1 per week for this benefit was more than reasonable. About two dozen Cornish residents have opted to pay for library cards, and this income is helping to offset the cost of the Evergreen database which automates circulation. Any resident of any town can continue to enjoy the facilities and programming free of charge.

I'd also like to thank our town Administrator Steve Halleran for his input and guidance in the work of the Meriden Library Building Committee, as well as the members of the committee who have given their time and advice. The committee worked hard all year to come up with a building plan that is flexible, energy efficient, and able to meet the needs of Plainfield residents for the next century. It is now up to voters to decide on the warrant article for the bond, which the board unanimously endorsed at our January meeting.

We thank our town facilities manager Brad Atwater for his guidance both of the building committee as well as helping us find the best solution to maintenance and facility improvements at both libraries.

At our January meeting, the board expressed its great appreciation for the ongoing assistance from former library trustee Emily Sands. She has generously given her valuable time and expertise to the library system, both in day-to-day bookkeeping as well as her broad and deep financial advice. Her assistance has helped keep the board on solid financial footing.

I would like to thank the many people who have volunteered for the library and our fantastic staff. We thank the Friends of the Meriden Library for their formal partnership with the board, as well as all groups that donate and volunteer for the library system.

Plainfield is a town that supports libraries, and our community is the better for it.

*Suzanne Spencer* Chair Plainfield Board of Library Trustees

### Town of Plainfield Library System Proposed Budget

<b>Income</b>		<b>2018</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Town Appropriation		\$146,267	\$138,471	\$149,941
Town Approp - FICA		\$6,960	\$6,987	\$7,099
Trust Funds		\$2,700	\$2,880	\$2,880
Gifts		\$400	\$3,327	\$400
Book Fines / Copier			\$536	\$80
Book Sales			\$0	\$0
Private / Grant Funding			\$0	\$0
Interest				
Income	Savings		\$1	\$0
Interst	Checking		\$0	\$50
Total Interest Income		\$0	\$1	\$50
Misc Income		\$0	\$485	\$0
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$156,377</b>	<b>\$152,686</b>	<b>\$160,500</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Salaries		\$99,197	\$91,180	\$101,181
FICA		\$6,960	\$6,987	\$7,099
Sick Pay		\$600	\$0	\$600
Library Materials		\$17,200	\$18,544	\$17,200
Legal Expense		\$0	\$885	\$0
Telephone		\$1,840	\$1,973	\$1,840
Electricity		\$5,200	\$5,448	\$5,200
Fuel		\$5,800	\$6,100	\$7,700
Water/Sewer		\$830	\$650	\$830
Supplies		\$2,300	\$2,105	\$2,300
Postage		\$300	\$288	\$300
Professional Activities		\$800	\$219	\$800
Programs		\$1,000	\$1,488	\$1,000
Furniture/Equipment		\$800	\$493	\$800
Elevator		\$1,700	\$1,780	\$1,700
Maintenance		\$5,400	\$5,834	\$0
Automation/Cataloging		\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Trustee Expenses		\$650	\$0	\$650
Professional Services		\$0	\$0	\$1,200
Computer/Software		\$3,600	\$3,606	\$2,400
Misc Expense		\$200	\$1,459	\$200
<b>Total Expense</b>		<b>\$156,377</b>	<b>\$151,039</b>	<b>\$155,000</b>

## Town of Plainfield Library System

### Other Income, Expense and Liabilities

Accrued/Encumbered year end expenses	\$5,550
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### Income/Transfers

Building Fund Gifts	\$2,000	\$0	\$0
Transfer from Bldg Fund-Meriden	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$215,000
Transfer from Fines Accounts	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
Gifts from Friends Groups	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0

### Expense

Building Funds -PRML	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
Building Funds -Meriden	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$215,000
Web site development	\$4,000	\$2,000	\$2,000

### Fund Balances - Year End

Mascoma Checking Account	\$25,064
Philip Read Fines Account	\$2,164
Meriden Fines Account	\$1,404
Plainfield Donations Account	\$1,004

### Meriden Building Fund - Year End

Meriden Donations Account (Mascoma)	\$211,100
Vanguard Windsor II Fund	\$0
Putnam	\$0



# Plainfield Public Libraries

MERIDEN LIBRARY &  
PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY

**New Library Department Logo developed in 2018**

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The mission of the Philip Read Memorial Library and 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 work of the staff and trustees of the Plainfield Libraries is to carry out the mission of the Plainfield Public Libraries. To provide residents of Plainfield with an appropriate collection, the libraries maintain an organized inventory of 33,311 books and audio/visual materials; 12,602 are housed at the Meriden Library and 20,709 at the Philip Read Memorial Library. In 2018, 558 items were added to the collection at the Meriden Library, and 569 were added at Philip Read. To keep the collection free of outdated and worn materials 178 items were removed from the Meriden Library, and 3187 were removed from Philip Read Memorial Library.

To meet the continued demand for non-print materials, electronic resources are offered to library users free of charge. Services that were added this year include digital access to the New York Times On-line and the streaming video service, Kanopy. We continue to offer access to e-books and audio books through New Hampshire downloadable books. With the Ancestry and Heritage Quest databases, patrons can explore genealogy and EBSCO Host provides access to periodicals and journals, health information and readers advisory tools.

The Plainfield Public Libraries have 1,245 registered users. There were 11,208 visits to our libraries in 2018, 5723 in Meriden and 5485 in Plainfield. During those visit 21, 803 items were borrowed. Besides borrowing books, DVDs, magazines, and audio books, patrons also attended books groups, used our public computers, watched movies and opera, saw presentations by musicians and a puppeteer, viewed art, played games, learned about tiny houses, and much more.

The Friends organizations from both libraries, the Friends of the Meriden Library and the Friends of the Philip Read Memorial Library, contributed financial resources in 2018 to enhance the libraries.

Our libraries also benefit from the time and efforts of community volunteers. Jeanne and Brad Thompson, and Lee and Pamela Abrahamson gave their time to transport books between the libraries. The very successful “*One Town, One Book* “

reading series was coordinated by Pennie Armstrong, Alice Eberhardt, Susan Russo and Susan Taylor. Huge thanks to all of you!

I want to acknowledge the leadership that is provided by the Trustees of Plainfield Public Libraries. Richard Davidson, Nancy Liston, Suzanne Spencer and Jean Strong dedicated many hours of their time to the governance that continues to improve our libraries.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary S. King*, Director

## MERIDEN LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Meriden Library Building Committee was formed in 2017 following the recommendation of our predecessor group: The Meriden Library / Meriden Village Study Committee. Our activities have built on the work of that group and several earlier groups who, since the 1990's, have studied the challenges of the existing facility namely;

- While the program is well supported by the community, the building is not accessible to all residents.
- Insufficient space for certain functions, specifically group functions
- Insufficient parking
- Unsafe intersection of front steps and driveway
- Concern over the possible presence of hazardous materials
- Energy efficiency of a building built in the 1960's

With the benefit of the broad construction experience of committee members we concluded that it would likely be more cost effective to replace the building vs renovating the existing facility. Initial broad-brush estimates suggested that we might be able create a new facility for less than \$1million. We worked with the trustees and town administrator to create a warrant article with a two-fold purpose: 1- to give the community the opportunity to decide if they wanted to do something about the long-studied issues with the building, and 2- if passed, to raise money to fund the development of a real plan and budget that addressed those issues.

With the passage of Article 7 our group began that work including;

- **Space needs analysis:** to understand current and projected needs. That analysis concluded that a single level facility with a modest increase in the reading stack spaces, the addition of multi-purpose group assembly space, built to current codes, would result in a building size of approximately 3600-3800 sf.
- **Site survey:** which identified existing site features. This survey was used to verify that a facility of the target size could be accommodated on the site with sufficient off- street parking to be in compliance with our zoning ordinance.
- **Hazardous materials survey:** This survey verified the presence of asbestos in the floor, wall, and window finishes. The presence of these materials complicates and substantially increases the costs associated with any renovation activities. It also confirmed minimal or non-existent insulation in the exterior walls.

- **Preliminary soils analysis:** which established the presence of good draining, if somewhat rocky soils, and the absence of subsurface water or ledge, which would have increased the costs of new construction. This information was also used to improve the confidence of initial estimates for sitework, confirming that anticipated work could be completed within our targeted budget.
- **Preliminary Landscape/Civil design:** Contracted with Pathways Consulting to perform site review. This work confirmed that wetlands regulations would not be triggered in the anticipated work. It also confirmed that our plan complies with applicable codes and standards as well as local zoning.
- **Building Schematic Design:** Contracted with Bensonwood a design/build construction company for schematic design for the building. This work provided a high confidence estimate (3-5%) for a construction cost meeting our targeted design and budget. This work included initial energy modeling and value engineering. We are proposing a new ~3700sf facility to replace the existing building. It will be functional, comfortable, highly energy efficient, and durable. It will include traditional and innovative details, fit the neighborhood and serve the community for years to come.
- **Private Fundraising:** Initial discussions concluded that the creation of a private foundation to conduct private fundraising was desirable because it would allow accepting funds from organizations that would otherwise not contribute to municipalities. The foundation now exists. Private pledges are within \$10k of meeting the \$250k “new money” target. Fundraising efforts are ongoing and will continue after the initial target has been met.

Throughout this process we have conducted regular public meetings, taking public comment as the plan evolved. A model and drawings of the project have been on display in the library, at town hall and posted on the town website.

We believe we have fulfilled our mandate in an open and diligent manner. We have brought forth a plan and budget for \$975k which is less than the proposed maximum. We have raised the targeted private funds to cover half the cost of the project. We hope that the Town supports Article 3 of the warrant and builds this project. It has been the subject of extensive study for over 20 years. We believe that it is time to act.

**Meriden.Library Building Committee** Suzanne Spencer, Nancy Liston, Christopher Dye, Shannon Decker, Joe Crate, Shawn Rogers, William Knight, Jeff Albright, Leeli Bonney, **Advisors.** Terry Crane. Brad Atwater, Stephen Halleran, Mary King Committee

## PLAINFIELD POLICE REPORT-2018

This year was a steady year for the Plainfield Police. I am thankful for the continued community support. Your willingness to report your observations helps us protect the community.

2018 also found us with an additional work related injury. I have had my other shoulder operated on. Part Time Patrol Officer Agan resigned due to a medical issue. We have since hired two additional part time officers, Ejona Haxhija and Nevin Noboli. We have been short staffed as the new hires will have to attend the academy. Currently we have our three full time employees: Sgt. Matthew Foss, Cpl. Anthony Swett and myself and two Part Time officers: Lawrence Dore and Dennis J. O'Sullivan working to cover the shifts. I would like to thank the members of the department for their commitment to continue to provide police services.

### **Traffic – Motor Vehicle Enforcement:**

Year 2016:	1220	Year 2017:	1252	Year 2018:	1061
Summons/Citation = Court Action				64 Warnings	986

### **Accidents:**

A total of 149 accidents were reported to dispatch in 2018 vs. 112 in the previous year, Seventeen (17) had injury, a total of 83 accidents were reportable crashes.

### **Coverage:**

I have been asked about the departments coverage. Due to staffing (3 FT), we cover two 8 hour shifts a day. However to reduce overtime coverage we shift coverage to 40 hours a week. The remaining hours are covered by on call personnel. Call outs are a new area that we have been keeping track of. This is when no officer is on patrol and the officer is called out from home to respond to calls for assistance.

2018 Callouts:	337	2017 Callouts:	295	2016 Callouts:	118
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*Paul M. Roberts* Chief of Police



## Police Department Statistical Data for the last three years

	2018	2017	2016
Accidents no injury	66	47	49
Accidents w/injury	17	10	12
Administrative	79	90	108
Alarms	60	85	93
Animals	96	28	55
Arson-Fire Invest.	0	0	0
Assault	0	2	0
Assist other PD'S	100	51	94
Auto theft	0	1	0
Bad checks	2	3	5
Burglary	2	2	7
Car Unlocks	18	13	10
Civil	5	62	26
Court Appearance	21	38	53
Criminal mischief	3	17	18
Criminal threats	3	5	6
Deaths	2	2	1
Disorderly	2	3	5
Domestic violence	15	27	16
DWI	3	4	4
Drugs	8	13	5
E 911 calls	28	19	41
Fire calls	72	62	99
Firing of weapons	4	9	19
Fraud	14	28	31
House/Property	271	199	145
Intoxication	0	14	2
Juvenile Matters	8	5	11
Medical Emer.	126	331	270
Missing person	0	8	4
Motor vehicle	54	91	81
Motorist assist	63	55	48
Open doors	10	51	26
Pistol Permits	16	29	306
Sex Off. Reg.	11	9	306
Sexual assault	5	4	2
Suspicious Per(s)	137	140	104
Theft	14	16	34
Trespassing	2	5	2
<b>Total Calls Logged</b>	<b>4050</b>	<b>4756</b>	<b>1799</b>

## **MERIDEN AND PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

### **Chief's Report 2018**

Following an affirmative vote at the 2018 Town Meeting, the assets and liabilities of both the Meriden and Plainfield Volunteer Fire Departments will be transferred to the Town of Plainfield on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March 2019. The two departments will become the Town of Plainfield Fire Department. The two independent departments have provided fire protection for the Town for more than 65 years. The move to a single municipal department was necessary due to insurance coverage issues and liability concerns. The two organizations were in the eyes of the State and our insurance provider, just non-profit organizations and not Fire Departments. The switch to a municipal department will allow for continued insurance coverage through the public risk pool at Primex as well as increased liability limits afforded to municipal departments. The Town will assume ownership of the two fire station buildings and eight pieces of fire apparatus valued at more than \$2 million. The only debt associated with the transfer is the remaining balance on the loan that was obtained several years ago to purchase the Plainfield Tanker. This debt is approximately \$135,000 and must be settled as part of the transfer.

Due to the increase in calls for assistance on local trails the Meriden Fire Dept investigated the purchase of a UTV to assist with search and rescue type calls. Members visited several area departments who own UTVs and developed specifications. A grant application was written to a local organization and a grant in the amount of \$15,000 was received. The grant money along with additional funds from the capital reserve have been used to purchase a new Polaris Ranger Crew UTV. The new UTV will be upfitted with a fire/rescue skid insert for the bed area that is capable of carrying and pumping water at a brush fire as well as transporting an injured person.

Ten new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) have also been purchased recently. The new "air packs" will replace ten units that were purchased in 2003. The new SCBA cost \$6,600 each. An application for an AFG (assistance to firefighters grant) has been applied for that will if granted, pay back the department for the purchase.

Twenty two fire trainings were held during the year including a vehicle extrication class at the highway garage where a four-door car was completely cut apart with the hydraulic tools owned by the Cornish Rescue Squad. Staffing of the Fire Department continues to be a challenge. New firefighters are always needed. Contact any member for more information about joining.

Please remember that working smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors are the most important part of protecting your home and family. Test your detectors monthly, change the batteries annually, and replace all detectors every ten years. Make sure that your house number is clearly visible from the street. This is extremely important in locating you in the event of an emergency.

Many thanks to all of the firefighters and their families for their continued support throughout the year and also thanks to the many people who volunteered their time at a department fund raising event or those who made a monetary donation to the department.

#### **2018 Fire Dept. Run Summary**

Motor Vehicle Accidents	20
Chimney Fire	3
Structure Fire	1
Car Fire	4

Wildland Fire	2
Alarm Activation	32
CO Alarm	3
Powerline Problem	8
Road Hazard	1
Weather Event	0
Medical Assist	2
Other	7
Mutual Aid Lebanon	2
Mutual Aid Hartford	1
<b>Total Runs 2018</b>	<b>86</b>

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief, *William S. Taylor* Meriden and Plainfield Fire Depts.



**KUA Fire Brigade getting some on the job training from Windsor Fire Chief McAllister.**

**Photo: MVFD**

**MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENT**

	<b>2018</b>		
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE</b>
TOWN APPROPRIATION	\$44,500	\$44,500	\$0
CORNISH FAIR TICKETS	\$3,250	\$3,367	\$117
SPRING DINNER - 2018	\$3,500	\$5,033	\$1,533
DONATIONS	\$4,000	\$4,187	\$187
DONATIONS - KUA BRIGADE	\$500	\$0	-\$500
BRIGADE ACCOUNT INTEREST	\$1	\$1	\$0
FOREST FIRE PAYMENTS	\$500	\$0	-\$500
MISC	\$0	\$1,150	\$1,150
TOTAL	\$56,251	\$58,238	\$1,987
	<b>2018</b>		
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE</b>
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	\$1,700	\$1,836	-\$136
ELECTRICITY	\$1,000	\$1,001	-\$1
SEWER	\$264	\$330	-\$66
HEATING OIL	\$1,100	\$2,432	-\$1,332
INSURANCE	\$8,200	\$8,145	\$55
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$13,400	\$1,683	\$11,717
COMPUTER EXPENSES	\$250	\$0	\$250
OFFICE SUPPLIES + PUBLICATIONS	\$1,000	\$926	\$74
GAS, DIESEL	\$1,250	\$1,218	\$32
DUES / PERMITS / FEES	\$750	\$372	\$378
TRAINING	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000
FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	\$18,600	\$69,113	-\$50,513
STATION MAINTENANCE	\$2,000	\$1,798	\$202
UNIFORMS	\$1,000	\$792	\$208
VACCINATIONS/PHYSICALS	\$100	\$0	\$100
ANNUAL REPORT FEE	\$100	\$75	\$25
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0
STATION EQUIPMENT	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
FIREFIGHTER MILEAGE	\$2,000	\$1,899	\$101
KUA BRIGADE	\$501	\$0	\$501
HAZMAT ASSOCIATION	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
MISC	\$750	\$391	\$359
SUBTOTAL	\$65,465	\$97,511	-\$32,046
TRANSFER BRIGADE FUNDS	\$0	\$1	-\$1
TRANSFER CAPITAL RESERVE	-\$9,214	-\$52,336	\$43,122
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$56,251</b>	<b>\$45,176</b>	<b>\$11,075</b>

**SELECTED LINE ITEMS - MVFD**

**2018**

<b><u>EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE</u></b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE</b>
AED	\$0	\$320	-\$320
ENGINE #2	\$3,500	\$311	\$3,189
ENGINE #3	\$2,000	\$76	\$1,924
LADDER TRUCK	\$3,000	\$288	\$2,712
UTILITY TRUCK	\$1,000	\$58	\$942
THERMAL CAMERA	\$100	\$0	\$100
LADDER TEST	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
SMALL POWER EQUIPMENT	\$150	\$0	\$150
HYDROTESTS	\$400	\$0	\$400
RADIO & PAGERS	\$500	\$428	\$72
AIR PACK	\$750	\$0	\$750
STATION EXHAUST SYSTEM	\$200	\$0	\$200
FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	\$100	\$66	\$34
GENERATOR	\$100	\$136	-\$36
FORESTRY	\$100	\$0	\$100
MISC	\$500	\$0	\$500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,400</b>	<b>\$1,683</b>	<b>\$11,717</b>

**FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT**

FIREFIGHTER GEAR	\$4,000	\$589	\$3,411
AIRPACKS	\$0	\$66,173	-\$66,173
HOSE WASHER	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
FOAM/COLDFIRE SUPPRESSANT	\$100	\$0	\$100
GLOVES	\$200	\$0	\$200
AED	\$0	\$635	-\$635
THERMAL CAMERA	\$0	\$0	\$0
BOOTS	\$800	\$379	\$421
PAGERS/ACTIVE 911	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
RADIO AND ANTENNA	\$0	\$0	\$0
HOSE	\$500	\$590	-\$90
FORESTRY EQUIPMENT	\$500	\$0	\$500
SMALL & MISCELLANEOUS TOOLS	\$500	\$747	-\$247
MISC	\$500	\$0	\$500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,600</b>	<b>\$69,113</b>	<b>-\$50,513</b>

Note: The balance in the Capital Reserve account at year end was \$175,906. During the year, we transferred \$52,336 from the Capital Reserve Acct to the Operating Account.

*Ken Goodrow*-Treasurer MVFD

# PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING EXPENSES & BUDGET

	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>2018</u></b>	<b><u>2018</u></b>
Accounting	\$300	\$150
New Equipment	\$2,000	\$8,469
New Fire Clothing	\$4,000	\$7,164
Travel Reimbursement	\$2,000	\$2,000
Equipment Repairs	\$6,000	\$7,810
Supplies	\$3,500	\$3,064
Electricity	\$1,600	\$1,478
Telephone	\$2,500	\$1,842
Heat/Cooking	\$3,500	\$4,736
Gas	\$700	\$200
Water	\$400	\$208
Insurance	\$6,500	\$6,842
Schools & Training	\$500	\$0
Fees/Dues	\$400	\$54
New Tanker Loan	\$15,996	\$15,995
Haz-mat Team	\$1,000	\$1,000
Postage	\$125	\$0
Radio Frequency	\$500	\$0
Chief's stipend	\$4,500	\$4,500
Inspections	\$300	\$319
Diesel	\$1,000	\$503
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$57,321</b>	<b>\$66,334</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Grants (Title 4)	\$0	\$0
Fund Raising	\$5,000	\$3,336
Town Appropriation	\$55,000	\$50,500
Town Training Funds	\$400	\$0
Interest /Other	\$0	\$0
Donations	\$1,500	\$1,590
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$61,900</b>	<b>\$55,426</b>
Receipts	\$61,900	\$66,334
<b>Treasurer</b>		
Expenses	\$57,321	\$55,426
Balance	\$4,579	\$10,908

*Jean Temple*

Treasurer

## STATE FOREST RANGER

This past year we were fortunate enough to have favorable weather conditions in the spring and summer which limited the amount of wildfire activity throughout the state. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers' fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2018 season threatened structures and one structure was destroyed, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe! In 2019, we will be recognizing Smokey Bear's 75th birthday! Dressed in a ranger's hat, belted blue jeans, and carrying a shovel, he has been the recognized wildfire prevention symbol since 1944. The NH Forest Protection Bureau and local fire departments will be celebrating Smokey Bear's 75 years of wildfire prevention throughout the year. Smokey's message has always been about personal responsibility – remember his ABC's: Always Be Careful with fire. If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. **“Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!”**

### Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

As we prepare for the 2019 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire 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. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting [www.NHfirepermit.com](http://www.NHfirepermit.com). The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or [www.des.nh.gov](http://www.des.nh.gov) for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

### NH FIRE STATISTICS

<b><u>CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED-2017</u></b>		<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u># FIRES</u></b>	<b><u>ACRES</u></b>
Smoking	05	2018	053	46
Railroad	00	2017	064	107
Campfires	04	2016	351	1090
Lightning	02	2015	124	635
Equipment	06	2014	112	72
Arson	01	2013	182	144
Debris	10	2012	318	206
Children	01	2011	125	42
Misc*	24			

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



### **LOCAL FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

2018 was a relatively quiet and safe year for forest fire related activities. Along with spring and late summer rains that kept the fire danger low as well as residents abiding by the fire rules, out of control brush fires were prevented. Throughout the year, the fire departments responded to only 2 calls where we had to extinguish a wildfire, which were both caused by trees coming in contact with power lines. We did have a few instances where landowners were not abiding by the rules. The primary issues were individuals burning during the daytime; and burning of illegal material (trash and large logs).

Burning rules are State of NH rules and the Town's wardens are there to enforce those rules under the direction of the State Forest Fire Warden and Rangers.

- You can only burn natural wood (No painted wood, plywood, trash, furniture or tires etc.).
- Burning is limited to between 5pm and 9am except for permitted small cooking fires.
- A permit is required for all outside fires except when there is snow on the ground.
- A permit is required even when raining.

For further information or explanation of the rules, please contact any of the forest fire wardens which can be found on the Town web page under the service/fire&rescue tab. A permit to burn can be issued a few days ahead of your planned fire. Please plan ahead, to allow the issuing agent ample time to inspect the site prior to your planned fire.

To purchase a permit through the State's online burn permitting service visit [www.NHfirepermit.com](http://www.NHfirepermit.com). There is a \$3 fee for this online service. You must read and verify that you understand the rules, and print out a paper copy. If the daily fire danger is too high, it will not let you purchase the permit. For example, if the weather has been dry or the wind is predicted to be high, you will not be able to obtain a permit. If you are not the land owner, please contact one of the Wardens and they can assist you in obtaining a permit.

No matter how you obtain a permit, we ask that you notify the Hanover Dispatch Center at their non-emergency phone number anytime that you burn so that when someone reports seeing smoke, that it is likely your permitted burn and not a wildfire.



A matching grant was applied for and granted in conjunction with the state Division of Natural and Cultural Resources. The grant is funded 50/50 State/Town grant. This will allow us to purchase more protective equipment specifically designed for wildland fires and to update some of our lighter forestry hose and nozzles to be better prepared for “off road” fires.  
As Smokey Bear says **“Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!”**

Plainfield Forest Fire Warden *Bruce Elder*

**Plainfield Forest Fire Wardens**

Bruce Elder-	Warden	298-0408
Chris Berry	Deputy	843-5204
Lester Bouchier	Deputy	469-3256
Mark Horne	Deputy	996-1522
Jeff LeBlanc	Deputy	359-1031
Eric Pearce	Deputy	298-5580
Doug Plummer	Deputy	443-9616
Boone Rondeau	Deputy	675-6951
William Taylor	Deputy	469-3342
Matt Tucker	Deputy	306-1208

**CORNISH RESCUE SQUAD -2018**

Dear Members of the Plainfield and Cornish Communities:

One again members of the Cornish Rescue Squad would like to thank you for your financial support through both town funding and individual donations. The funds are used to pay for insurance, dispatch fees, vehicle registration/maintenance, building utilities/maintenance, supplies, equipment, protective gear and training for our members along with other day to day costs of operation.

This year we were blessed with the addition of 5 new Nationally Registered EMT’s. These new additions have helped us keep up with the increasing demand for our services. In 2018 we responded to 200 plus emergency calls for service. As our populations ages, we find that the number of calls also increases where we are often responding to multiple calls in a single day. The Rescue Squad works hand in hand with Cornish, Plainfield, and Meriden Fire Departments providing emergency services to our communities. If you are interested in joining, or if you have questions, please contact either Gary Chilton at 603-469-3831 or Rob Drye at 603-675-9159.

If you are interested in becoming an EMR or EMT, please contact Jim McCarragher at 603-469-3505.

PLEASE be SAFE!

**DIAL 911 for any emergency, Medical, Fire or Police related. NH Poison Control 1-800-222-1222**

Sincerely,

*Gary Chilton, President*

*Rob Drye, Vice President*

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N. H.**  
**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND - 2018**

Capital Reserve/Expendable Trust Funds	Principle		New		Principle		Income		Income		Income		Income		Year end	
	Balance	Begin Year	Funds Added	Funds Expended	Balance	Year End	Balance	Begin Year	Income Earned	During Year	Income Expended	During Year	Balance	Year End	Account	Balances
Revaluation Fund	\$76,500.00		\$10,000.00	\$47,981.25	\$38,518.75		\$1,501.22		\$707.27				\$2,208.49		\$40,727.24	
Town Hall Fund	\$11,000.00		\$10,000.00	\$3,216.97	\$17,783.03		\$16.96		\$256.94				\$273.90		\$18,056.93	
Bridge Reserve Fund	\$119,000.00		\$10,000.00	\$128,206.89	\$793.11		\$10,618.34		\$1,687.62				\$12,305.96		\$13,099.07	
Meriden Water Reserve Fund	\$121,500.00		\$10,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$86,500.00		\$4,126.97		\$426.45				\$4,553.42		\$91,053.42	
School Building Fund	\$28,500.00				\$28,500.00		\$58.50		\$380.43				\$28,938.93		\$22,497.36	
* Schell Community Assist Fund	\$21,989.00		\$4,415.00	\$4,493.76	\$21,910.24		\$230.12		\$37.00				\$587.12		\$159,035.53	
New Equipment Fund	\$81,000.00		\$75,000.00		\$156,000.00		\$1,321.48		\$1,714.05				\$3,035.53		\$25,775.00	
Plainfield Water Fund	\$32,000.00			\$6,481.14	\$25,518.86		\$1,200.45		\$574.55		\$1,518.86		\$256.14		\$10,293.88	
Library Repair Fund	\$7,620.00		\$2,500.00		\$10,120.00		\$40.64		\$133.24				\$173.88		\$56,343.21	
Meriden Sewer Reserve Fund	\$45,000.00		\$10,000.00		\$55,000.00		\$1,048.92		\$294.29				\$3,306.14		\$18,747.28	
Plainfield History Fund	\$15,441.14				\$15,441.14		\$3,043.57		\$262.57				\$1,059.77		\$43,409.77	
Cemetery Care Fund	\$42,350.00				\$42,350.00		\$840.23		\$219.54				\$1,090.83		\$46,090.83	
ADA Access Fund	\$40,000.00		\$5,000.00		\$45,000.00		\$466.33		\$624.50				\$7,277.59		\$282,277.59	
School Spec Ed Fund	\$225,000.00		\$50,000.00		\$275,000.00		\$3,437.15		\$3,840.44				\$888.41		\$888.41	
Transportation Imprvmt Fund	\$0.00		\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$0.00		\$322.96		\$565.45				\$2,216.23		\$51,216.23	
School Benefits Payable	\$49,000.00				\$49,000.00		\$1,560.71		\$655.52				\$2.27		\$152.27	
Town Beauty Fund	\$150.00				\$150.00		\$0.20		\$2.07				\$286.43		\$17,786.43	
Police Equipment Fund	\$12,500.00		\$5,000.00		\$17,500.00		\$59.12		\$227.31				\$789.76		\$35,789.76	
Gravel Pit Reclaim Fund	\$30,000.00		\$5,000.00		\$35,000.00		\$312.20		\$477.56				\$612.22		\$37,512.22	
Town Facilities Maint Fund	\$21,900.00		\$15,000.00		\$36,900.00		\$145.40		\$466.82				\$255.01		\$25,255.01	
Fire Dept's Equipment Fund	\$0.00		\$25,000.00		\$25,000.00		\$0.00		\$255.01				\$255.01		\$1,710.99	
Meriden Library Bldg Fund	\$0.00		\$25,000.00	\$23,544.02	\$1,455.98		\$0.00		\$255.01				\$154.81		\$4,522.81	
Townsend Bridge & Trail Fund	\$4,368.00				\$4,368.00		\$105.16		\$49.65				\$43,371.06		\$1,031,180.17	
<b>TOTAL: ALL CAP RES FUNDS</b>	<b>\$984,818.14</b>		<b>\$316,915.00</b>	<b>\$313,924.03</b>	<b>\$987,809.11</b>		<b>\$30,456.63</b>		<b>\$14,433.29</b>		<b>\$1,518.86</b>		<b>\$43,371.06</b>		<b>\$1,031,180.17</b>	

\* Expendable Trust Fund

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N. H.**  
**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND - 2018**

NAME OF TRUST FUND	Principle Balance		New Funds Created	Gains or Losses From Sale	Principle Balance		Income Balance		Income Expended		Income Balance		Year end Account Balances
	Begin Year	Year End			Begin Year	Year End	During Year	During Year	During Year	Year End			
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS													
Daniels Cemetery	\$8,586.42	\$12,607.86		\$4,021.44	\$388.58	\$233.80	\$423.32	\$199.06		\$423.32	\$199.06	\$12,806.92	
East Plainfield Cemetery	\$4,078.54	\$5,937.58		\$1,859.04	\$70.44	\$108.11	\$107.08	\$71.47		\$107.08	\$71.47	\$6,009.05	
Freeman Cemetery	\$3,005.25	\$4,372.99		\$1,367.74	\$47.28	\$79.52	\$75.09	\$51.71		\$75.09	\$51.71	\$4,424.70	
Gilkey Cemetery	\$429.33	\$625.01		\$195.68	\$7.41	\$11.38	\$11.27	\$7.52		\$11.27	\$7.52	\$632.53	
Gleason Cemetery	\$29,151.67	\$42,439.05		\$13,287.38	\$502.97	\$772.53	\$764.85	\$510.65		\$764.85	\$510.65	\$42,949.70	
Methodist Hill Cemetery	\$429.33	\$625.01		\$195.68	\$7.41	\$11.38	\$11.27	\$7.52		\$11.27	\$7.52	\$632.53	
Mill Cemetery	\$17,226.44	\$54,035.04	\$28,956.71	\$7,851.89	\$297.31	\$539.70	\$452.04	\$384.97		\$452.04	\$384.97	\$54,420.00	
Moulton Cemetery	\$8,664.20	\$12,613.33		\$3,949.13	\$149.46	\$229.58	\$227.29	\$151.75		\$227.29	\$151.75	\$12,765.07	
Penninan Cemetery	\$1,287.97	\$1,875.02		\$587.05	\$22.21	\$34.13	\$33.78	\$22.56		\$33.78	\$22.56	\$1,897.58	
Plainfield Cemetery	\$63,829.53	\$92,915.95		\$29,086.42	\$1,085.19	\$1,683.72	\$1,661.39	\$1,107.52		\$1,661.39	\$1,107.52	\$94,023.47	
Raynsford Cemetery	\$1,717.30	\$2,500.04		\$782.74	\$29.62	\$45.51	\$45.05	\$30.08		\$45.05	\$30.08	\$2,530.12	
River Cemetery	\$2,287.97	\$3,323.69		\$1,035.72	\$23.59	\$60.23	\$46.91	\$36.91		\$46.91	\$36.91	\$3,360.60	
Westgate-Peterson Cemetery	\$1,073.31	\$1,562.52		\$489.21	\$18.51	\$28.44	\$28.15	\$18.80		\$28.15	\$18.80	\$1,581.32	
Town Cemeteries	\$4,293.21	\$6,249.98		\$1,956.77	\$73.88	\$113.77	\$112.48	\$75.17		\$112.48	\$75.17	\$6,325.15	
TOTALS	\$146,060.46	\$241,683.06	\$28,956.71	\$66,665.89	\$2,723.86	\$3,951.80	\$4,000.00	\$2,675.68		\$4,000.00	\$2,675.68	\$244,358.74	
LIBRARY TRUST FUND													
Meriden Library	\$27,691.25	\$40,219.35		\$12,528.10	\$268.90	\$1,095.75	\$740.00	\$624.65		\$740.00	\$624.65	\$40,844.00	
Philip Read Memorial Library	\$79,708.53	\$115,732.81		\$36,024.28	\$690.19	\$3,156.86	\$2,140.00	\$1,707.05		\$2,140.00	\$1,707.05	\$117,439.86	
TOTALS	\$107,399.78	\$155,952.16		\$48,552.38	\$959.09	\$4,252.61	\$2,880.00	\$2,331.70		\$2,880.00	\$2,331.70	\$158,283.86	

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N. H.**  
**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND - 2018**  
**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N. H.**

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND - 2018**

NAME OF TRUST FUND	Principle Balance	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 Balances
	Begin Year								
<b>MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS</b>									
Ward Christmas Fund	\$4,293.22		\$1,978.08	\$6,271.30	\$121.43	\$114.66	\$120.00	\$116.09	\$6,387.39
Ward Worthy Poor Fund	\$6,439.80		\$9,259.44	\$15,699.24	\$14,225.34	\$538.35	\$640.00	\$14,123.69	\$29,822.93
Ward Essay Prize Fund	\$4,293.22		\$2,197.87	\$6,491.09	\$611.95	\$277.79	\$150.00	\$739.74	\$7,230.82
Elijah Burnap Poor Fund	\$11,808.92		\$15,023.29	\$26,832.21	\$21,719.93	\$1,097.46	\$959.03	\$21,858.36	\$48,690.58
Earl Mower Fund	\$1,770.98		\$815.48	\$2,586.46	\$49.01	\$47.06	\$49.01	\$47.06	\$2,633.52
Duncan Piano Fund	\$1,287.96		\$1,446.02	\$2,733.98	\$1,939.26	\$84.07	\$90.00	\$1,933.33	\$4,667.31
Vernon Hood Fund	\$429.33		\$344.48	\$773.81	\$339.48	\$20.03		\$359.51	\$1,133.32
Bill Hendrick Vision Fund	\$1,925.94		\$1,665.76	\$3,591.70	\$1,791.68	\$96.85		\$1,888.53	\$5,480.24
Mother's & Daughter's Fund	\$2,404.20		\$1,107.07	\$3,511.27	\$66.54	\$63.89	\$66.54	\$63.89	\$3,575.17
Beulah Pickering Fund	\$18,264.94		\$0.00	\$18,264.94	\$31,693.72	\$1,586.34		\$33,280.06	\$51,545.00
Ruth F Koe Brady Camp Fund	\$1,098.83		\$744.76	\$1,843.59	\$563.32	\$43.30		\$606.62	\$2,450.21
Stage Set Fund	\$9,605.77		\$6,902.89	\$16,508.66	\$5,800.05	\$401.34		\$6,201.39	\$22,710.05
Stalker Cemetery Flag Fund	\$7,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,451.11	\$13,951.11	\$202.17	\$246.59		\$448.76	\$14,399.87
Mericiafers Fund	\$556.22		\$256.12	\$812.34	\$15.40	\$14.79	\$15.39	\$14.80	\$827.13
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$71,679.32</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$45,192.37</b>	<b>\$119,871.69</b>	<b>\$79,139.29</b>	<b>\$4,632.52</b>	<b>\$2,089.97</b>	<b>\$81,681.84</b>	<b>\$201,553.53</b>
<b>TOTAL: ALL TRUST FUNDS</b>	<b>\$325,139.56</b>	<b>\$31,956.71</b>	<b>\$160,410.64</b>	<b>\$517,506.91</b>	<b>\$82,822.24</b>	<b>\$12,836.93</b>	<b>\$8,969.97</b>	<b>\$86,689.23</b>	<b>\$604,196.14</b>

## SELECT BOARD'S REPORT ON RESERVE FUND TRANSACTIONS

The Select Board is named agents to expend for eleven 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
- Highway Department Equipment Fund created 1987  
(expenditure authority 2015)
- Town Facilities Fund created in 2015
- Fire Department Equipment Fund created in 2018
- Meriden Library Replacement Fund created in 2018

**Deposits and withdrawals to these funds during 2017 were:**

### **Library Repair Fund**

Deposits-	\$2,500
Town meeting appropriation	
<b>Withdrawals-</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### **Bridge Fund**

Deposits-	\$5,000
<b>Withdrawals-</b>	<b>\$128,207</b>

#### **Camp Road Bridge**

Hansen Bridge	\$100,000
Guardrail	\$8,415
Wearing Course	\$1,694
Temp blocks	\$1,500
Misc Supplies	\$ 700

#### **Ladieu Bridge**

Hansen Bridge	\$105,690
Guardrail	\$8,415
Wearing Course	\$1,594
Temp blocks	\$1,600
Misc Supplies	\$ 711
SB 38 Funds	(\$99,290)

# **SELECT BOARD'S REPORT ON RESERVE FUND TRANSACTIONS (continued )**

<b>Town Hall Repair Fund</b>	Deposits-	\$10,000
	Town meeting appropriation	
	<b>Withdrawals-</b>	<b>\$3,217</b>
	MTH-painting	\$1,800
	MTH-furnace	\$817
	PTH –Shed floor	\$600
<b>Revaluation Fund</b>	Deposits-	\$10,000
	Town meeting appropriation	
	<b>Withdrawals-</b>	<b>\$47,981</b>
	Revaluation Avitar Assoc.	\$47,981
<b>ADA Compliance</b>	Deposits-	\$5,000
	Town meeting appropriation	
	<b>Withdrawals-</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Transportation Fund</b>	Deposits	\$55,000
	Town meeting appropriation	
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$55,000</b>
	Paving WBR, Jenney, High St	
<b>Townsend Bridge Fund</b>	Deposits	\$0
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Town Beautification</b>	Deposits	\$0
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Police Equipment Fund</b>	Deposits	\$5,000
	Town Meeting appropriation	
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Town Facilities Fund</b>	Deposits	\$15,000
	Town meeting appropriation	
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Highway Equipment Fund</b>	Deposits	\$75,000
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## SELECT BOARD'S REPORT ON RESERVE FUND TRANSACTIONS (continued )

<b>Fire Equipment Fund</b>	Deposits	\$25,000
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Meriden Library Replacement Fund</b>	Deposits	\$25,000
	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$23,543</b>
	Atwater Construction (project management)	\$19,000
	RFP Environmental	\$1,775
	M&W Soils	\$957
	Mak's Trucking	\$525
	Shawn Rogers (model)	\$659
	Bensonwood (building design)	\$13,123
	Pathways Consulting	\$1,904
	ML Private Funds	(\$14,400)

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 Plodzick and Sanderson completed the 2018 audit in January of 2019. 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](http://www.plainfieldnh.org)

*Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances*

*For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018*

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**REVENUES**

Taxes	\$ 1,661,258
Licenses and permits	688,035
Intergovernmental	361,961
Charges for services	46,432
Miscellaneous	<u>20,757</u>
Total revenues	<u>2,778,443</u>

**EXPENDITURES**

Current:

General government	499,117
Public safety	614,554
Highways and streets	1,103,062
Sanitation	221,083
Health	11,845
Welfare	21,396
Culture and recreation	194,076
Conservation	734

Debt service:

Principal	12,500
Interest	<u>145</u>

Total expenditures	<u>2,678,512</u>
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Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>99,931</u>
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**OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)**

Transfers in	275,933
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Transfers out	<u>(242,500)</u>
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Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>33,433</u>
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Net change in fund balances	133,364
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Fund balances, beginning	<u>786,854</u>
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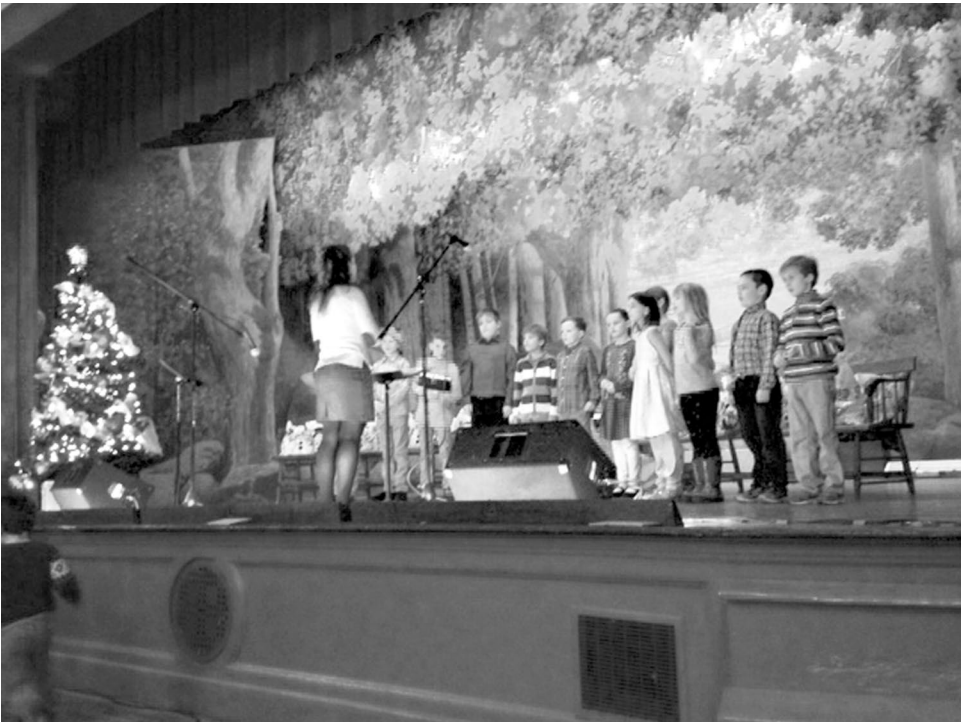
Fund balances, ending	<u><u>\$ 920,218</u></u>
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***TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE***  
***General Fund***  
***Schedule of Changes in Unassigned Fund Balance***  
***For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018***

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Unassigned fund balance, beginning (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)	\$782,854
Budget summary:	
Revenue surplus	\$115,058
Unexpended balance of appropriations	<u>\$21,004</u>
Budget surplus	<u>\$136,062</u>
Unassigned fund balance, ending (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)	<u><u>\$918,916</u></u>



**Annual town holiday celebration, Zoe Martel's 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade PES chorus performing on the Parrish Stage.**  
**Photo S. Halleran**

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD BALANCE SHEET December 31st 2018**

**ASSETS:**

**CASH:**

CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$3,791,962
INVESTMENTS	\$3,594
PETTY CASH	\$250

**TOTAL CASH \$3,795,806**

PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE \$249,062

TAX LIEN RECEIVABLE \$179,450

CURRENT USE RECEIVABLE \$0

**TOTAL TAXES RECEIVABLE \$428,512**

DUE FROM COMMERCIAL WASTE CHARGES \$11,438

DUE FROM OTHERS \$500

DUE FROM MERIDEN FIRE \$809

**TOTAL ASSETS: \$4,237,065**

**LIABILITIES:**

DUE TO CONSERVATION FUND \$8,750

DUE TO GENERAL FUND \$8,750

**PAYABLES:**

SCHOOL	\$3,222,285
INVOICES	\$37,062
LIBRARY	\$1,302

**TOTAL PAYABLES \$3,260,649**

**TOTAL LIABILITIES \$3,278,149**

**FUND BALANCE \$958,916**

RESERVE - UNCOLLECTIBLE TAXES (\$40,000)

**UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE \$918,916**

**GRAND TOTALS: \$4,237,065**

**UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE-December 31st 2017 \$782,855**

**UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE-December 31st 2018 \$918,916**

**CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION \$136,061**

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

Outstanding bonds & loans as of December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2018	
Philip Read Memorial Library	\$ 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>

**RECONCILIATION OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

Outstanding long-term debt as of January 1, 2018	\$ <b>12,500</b>
New debt during the year	\$0
Debt retirement during the year	
Library Addition	\$ 12,500
Outstanding long-term debt as of December 31, 2017	<b>\$0</b>

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

<b>2017</b>	<b>Block Grant Allocation</b>	<b>\$117,360</b>
	Highway Transportation Fund Withdrawal	<b>\$55,000</b>
	<b>Total Available</b>	<b>\$172,360</b>
	<b>Jenney Road</b>	
	Paving Overlay	\$54,411
	<b>Willow Brook Road/High St</b>	
	Paving work	\$54,000
	<b>Grading Project</b>	
	Spring, summer and fall grading	\$20,418
	<b>General Highway Maintenance</b>	\$43,531
	(pavement sealing, gravel crushing, culvert replacements)	
	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$172,360</b>

## FIVE-YEAR ROAD PROJECT PRIORITIES

As required by the passage of article ten at the 1998 Annual Meeting, the following represents the Select Board'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.

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

# **2018 Turkey Trot** **Michael Budner took home the pie from Anne's Country Store**



Early snow record cold temperature this year. S. Halleran did the event on skis, but it was not pretty to watch. **Photo Melissa Longacre, Event Director**

## **TOWN EMPLOYEE SALARIES -2018**

Agan, Matthew	Part-Time Patrol	\$11,186.25
Belyea, Judith	Selectwoman	\$2,350
Bircher, Thomas	Highway-Part Time	\$18,967
Blish, Keith	Truck Driver	\$46,708.56 includes overtime
Brookes-Governo, Sarah	Treasurer	\$6,750
Brookes-Governo, Sarah	Election Staff	\$414.95
Cantlin, Daniel	Recreation Director	\$6,300
Collins, Michael	Truck Driver	\$46,620.21 includes overtime
Collins III, Richard	Road Agent	\$75,139.91
Crane, Terri	Library Assistant	\$8,224.58
Dore, Lawrence	Part-Time Patrolman	\$1,080
Eberhardt, Ron	Selectman	\$2,350
Estey, Lori	Library Assistant	\$9,455.33
Foss, Matthew	Patrolman	\$72,743.24 includes overtime
Franklin, Paul	Moderator	\$750

Gillens, Sarah	Library Assistant	\$7,502.74
Halleran, Stephen	Town Administrator	\$82,220.80
Haxhija, Ejona	Part-Time Patrol	\$7,848.75
Jarvis, Madison	Library Circulation Aide	4,683.85
Jones, Harold	Supervisor of Checklist	\$417
Jordan, Donald	Supervisor of Checklist	\$558
Kennett, Joshua	Truck Driver	\$44,775.12 includes overtime
King, Mary	Library Director	\$42,439.50
Legare, Peter	Library Circulation Aide	\$9,679.02
LeMere, Jason	Truck Driver	\$46,705.69 includes overtime
Lersch, David	Building Inspector	\$9,098.40
Liebowitz, Susan	Dep. Tax Collect/Twn Clerk	\$11,106.75
Lurie, Elizabeth	Election Staff	\$412.50
Marsh, Michelle	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$58,720.48
Marsh, Robin	Ballot Clerk	\$412.5
McAndrew, Stephanie	Library Circulation Aide	\$2,718.36
O'Sullivan, Denis	Part-Time Patrol	\$3,709.25
Reetz, Alyssa	Library Substitute	\$74.48
Remmes, Lana	Library Circulation Aide	\$6,551.94
Roberts, Paul	Police Chief	\$72,085.19
Rogerson, Roanne	Ballot Clerk	\$412.50
Schell, Stephanie	Human Services Director	\$3,929.26
Sicard, Brian	Truck Driver	\$53,800.21 includes overtime
Smith, Sean	Truck Driver	\$47,810.98 includes overtime
Stalker, Jesse	Trustee of Trust Funds	\$3,000
Swett, Anthony	Patrolman	\$71,498.61 includes overtime
Taylor, Robert	Selectman	\$2,350
Taylor, William	Fire Chief	\$7,200
Wilder, Fern	Supervisor of Checklist	\$837
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$911,599.18</b>

## HUMAN SERVICE REPORT

Dear Plainfield Neighbors,

As your 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 electrical, fuel and medical assistance, transportation issues and referrals for support services such as Meals on Wheels, Life-Line Program, 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 well established 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

In addition to our Food Pantry we have also teamed up with The Upper Valley Humane Society. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month UVHS comes to Plainfield with their FREE Mobile Pet Food Pantry. We are delighted that so many residents are taking advantage of this amazing resource.

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, Service Link, State of NH Health & Human Services, Visiting Nurses Alliance, Community Alliance of Human Services, LISTEN, The Haven, West Central Services, NH Food Bank and Southwestern Community Services in order to provide information, referrals and assistance to residents.

Our Community still benefits from many in town outreach programs. Our monthly Foot Care Clinics provided by Lake Sunapee VNA nurses are very popular. Senior Luncheons still occur on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at various locations around town. Our fun social gatherings offer wonderful nutritious meals and average 60-70 guests per month. Weekend Care Packages continue to be delivered each week to citizens of Plainfield and Meriden. This program helps to fight 68 hours of hunger to ensure that no child goes hungry. An in school snack program has also been established. Any child who feels hunger pains throughout the day can visit the nurses office to receive a nutritious snack.

In the year of 2018, a total of \$16,318.71 was disbursed to assist households in need. As you can see \$6,318.71 was spent over budget, but please refer to the breakdown below. In the end due to the generosity of many community members and their donations everything balanced out and my budget was not in the red. The Food Pantry from January- December 2018 provided 9,156 meals to community members.

The breakdown for monies disbursed for assistance in 2018 is as follows:

<b>Housing</b>	<b>\$ 1,640.00</b>
<b>Electric</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>
<b>Heating Fuel</b>	<b>\$2,931.04</b>
<b>Nutrition Support Purchases</b>	<b>\$ 2,880.13</b>
<b>Medical</b>	<b>\$ 394.76</b>
<b>11 Summer Camp Scholarships (monies used from donations)</b>	<b>\$ 1,210.00</b>

I want to thank the Town of Cornish, all those local businesses, local trust funds, friends and neighbors who have collected food, donated food and contributed monetary gifts to the Community Resource Room & Food Pantry. With generous donations in 2018 totaling more than \$6,318.71 all needs were met in our immediate community. Eleven children were able to attend summer camp, 236 weekly weekend care packages to stop 68 hours of hunger were delivered, medications were purchased, housing modifications for safety were made, heating fuel was provided, electricity was

reconnected, LifeLine Systems were set-up for Seniors and general food assistance was available.

Finally, I sincerely appreciate all the tax deductible donations that were made to the *Schell Community Assistance Trust Fund* in 2018. The sole purposes of this Fund is to aid the town's Human Services Director with the mission of helping Plainfield's residents who are in need of financial assistance. Donations to this fund will be separate from the fiscal year regular operating budget. This will allow donations to the Community Resource Room & Food Pantry to roll over from year to year to support our community outreach programs. If you would like to make a donation to this amazing Trust Fund please make your tax deductible donation to The Town of Plainfield and in your check memo state: The Schell Community Assistance Trust Fund.

**Thank you to all the residents of Plainfield for supporting our community outreach programs to enhance the lives of all our neighbors! Wishing everyone a Healthy & Happy 2019!**

**Town of Plainfield's Resource Director Stephanie M. Schell**

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Respectfully Submitted,

*Stephanie M. Schell*

Community Resource Director



Derrick Oxford was a slave who lived in Plainfield and served for three years in the Revolutionary War. Buried in an unmarked grave in the Coreyville Cemetery, he finally received a headstone. Resident Jane Stephenson did the research to get him this long overdue recognition.

Photo Steve Halleran



## KIMBALL UNION ACADEMY STUDY COMMITTEE

The charge of this committee is to meet with representatives of 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 four meetings between November and January.

This is the first year in several decades that there has been no optional tax exemption for Kimball Union Academy (RSA 72:23). By mutual agreement the exemption was allowed to sunset at the end of 2017. As a result of this decision, Kimball Union's annual tax liability to the town increased from around \$143,000 to \$236,785 making them the largest taxpayer in the town by more than a factor of three. Kimball Union has continued to share with your committee the school's concern that its local property tax burden is a competitive disadvantage with other private schools in the region. KUA's property taxes will increase as the Academy makes investments in dormitories.

It's too early for our committee to fully understand the impact that eliminating the optional exemption will have on local enrollment at the private boarding school. This year's 8<sup>th</sup> grade class is small in number and consequently will result in fewer than the normal students attending Kimball Union.

### **Factoids:**

- \*Kimball Union employs 155 people, 76 live in town (41 on campus, 35 off campus).
- \*Currently, 29 local kids attend the private school, 11 of these are children of KUA faculty/staff.
- \*It costs \$22,206/year to educate a Plainfield Elementary Student.
- \*There are 9 students at PES from families of KUA faculty/staff.
- \*The student tuition at Lebanon High School is \$15,579
- \*The day student tuition at Kimball Union is \$39,500.
- \*The boarding student tuition at Kimball Union is \$61,300.

In 2018 the school received a \$20 million gift toward its endowment. This most generous gift will be used to improve facilities and to reduce the school's annual operating loss.

Kimball Union acquired one of the two remaining properties on Main Street not previously owned by the school.

The private school continues to play a key role in our local fire protection. The Meriden Fire Brigade, made up of KUA students, provides assistance at many fire and accident calls during a school year.

**Findings:** During the course of this year's work your committee learned, while still an important issue for the school, the Meriden Village Post Office will likely remain in its current location at least for the remaining term of its current lease which expires in 2020.

Kimball Union has continued over the last year to provide local resident access to school facilities, such as trails, meeting space, and the hockey rink.

Kimball Union remains committed to helping to educate those local students who are identified as likely to benefit from its education program, regardless of the student’s ability to pay.

The only way for a local student’s family to know whether or not Kimball Union is a viable option is to apply to the school. Many of the students attending the school receive significant financial aid.

Kimball Union has a direct interest in maintaining the high quality of the Plainfield Elementary school which educates the children of many staff members.

Plainfield Elementary students have traditionally performed very well at Kimball Union and Lebanon High School.

The town benefits financially from the many local students who choose Kimball Union over our publicly funded high school.

**Recommendations:** The Committee continues to support and work for the establishment of institutional linkage between the Plainfield Elementary School and Kimball Union. It is your committee’s view that these connections provide the best possible educational opportunities for local students and the best opportunities for saving tax money.

The Committee continues to feel that the Kimball Union Study Committee should be continued into the future. There are many issues facing both the school and the town collectively and the existing of this committee provides a platform for discussing issues of common concern.

2018/19 Kimball Union Study Committee *Stephen Beaupre, John Yacavone, Andrea Benno Keen, Robert Blake, Kate Whybrow, Robert Hewett, Stephen Halleran*

**ENERGY COMMITTEE 2018**

*Betsy Rybeck-Lynd, Evan Oxenham, Jen Lenz, Ron Eberhardt, Steven Ladd.*

The Plainfield Energy Committee focus in 2018 was to work on the approval of the Ready for 100 goal and on the implementation of this goal. As in previous years the Plainfield Energy Committee joined forces with the Cornish Energy Committee. Specifically, the committee worked on the following during 2018: the plan to achieve 100% Renewable Energy, the Weatherize campaign, and the Renewable Energy Educational Series.

**A. 100% Renewable Energy Goal**

At the Plainfield 2018 town meeting the town passed ARTICLE 8 which states: "To see if the Town of Plainfield will vote to commit to a goal of 100% reliance on

renewable sources of electricity by 2030 and renewable sources for all other energy needs, including for heating and transportation, by 2050."

With this vote Plainfield joined towns and cities nationwide that have committed to a goal of 100% renewable energy. There are now 103 towns and cities in the United States that have committed to this goal. Four of those towns are in New Hampshire, namely Concord, Cornish, Hanover and Plainfield.

Having gained the support of the town the focus of the Energy Committee is to work towards the implementation of this goal.

The Energy Committee sees the implementation of the 100% renewable energy as having the following components:

- developing a **Plan to achieve the 100% Renewable Energy Goal**
- providing **Specific Programs** to help the town, its businesses and its residents achieve this goal.
- Continuing the **Renewable Energy Educational Series** consisting of presentations, movies and workshops to help residents understand the costs and benefits of this goal.

#### **B. Plan to achieve the 100% Renewable Energy Goal**

The Energy Committee is discussing a plan to achieve our 100% renewable energy goal, with the main point being how to reduce our use of fossil fuels. We have set an ambitious target of April 2019 for the first draft of the plan. In general there are the following aspects to the plan:

1. Generate electricity from renewable sources in Plainfield.
2. Buy electricity generated from renewable sources from suppliers outside of Plainfield.
3. Reduce our use of electricity and fossil fuels by improving the efficiency of our buildings, vehicles and appliances.
4. Reduce our use of fossil fuels by switching from equipment that burns fossil fuels (furnaces, boilers, gas powered vehicles) to electrical equipment (cold climate heat pumps, battery electric vehicles).
5. Educate the people of the town in ways to move to a renewable energy future. The Energy Committee will continue its Renewable Energy Educational Series and will continue to organize Weatherize and Solarize campaigns to help people understand their options.

The Energy Committee considers that its mandate is to develop the renewable energy plan and to propose and manage projects that will be identified in the plan. However, we believe that it is important to have a review committee, which we have called the Stakeholder Committee, to review the plans and projects proposed by the

Energy Committee and provide feedback to the Energy Committee. This Stakeholder Committee ideally will have people who represent interests of the residents, businesses, schools and churches in Plainfield. The Select Board is currently reviewing this proposal for a Stakeholder Committee.

Of course as with any plan we need to be able to measure what energy the town uses in order to understand where we can make changes. We have a rough estimate of 25 MW for the total electricity generation that the town (municipal, residential, and business) requires. We are tracking the use of electricity, oil and propane by the municipal functions of the town, but we are still debating the best way to obtain the energy usage by the residents and businesses of the town.

During our planning discussions we identified several small actions that we thought Plainfield could take immediately:

1. Change our street lights to LED street lights. It seemed that this would save the town both money and electricity, but in discussions with Liberty Utilities we discovered that their current rate plan for replacing the existing street lights with LED lights would save us neither electricity nor money. We have placed this action on hold pending a change to a more favorable rate plan.
2. Buy our municipal renewable electricity from a third party vendor. This is in progress. We have received a proposal from Standard Power of America and are evaluating the proposal.
3. Replace the incandescent light bulbs in the Parrish Stage Set located in the Plainfield Town Hall with LED light bulbs. We estimate that this would significantly reduce the electricity used by the stage and reduce the demand charges incurred by the Plainfield Town Hall. We are working with Brad Atwater on this proposal.

### **C. Weatherize Campaign**

The Weatherize Campaign in 2018 was a program to help the town meet its goal by improving the efficiency of residential buildings in Plainfield. Weatherization is the most effective way to increase your comfort and reduce your energy usage so that you have lower home heating bills. Weatherize launched in January 2018, with Plainfield joining Cornish and working with Vital Communities. We were one of seven town groups in New Hampshire and Vermont that participated in this campaign. In Plainfield 39 families signed on at the start. Of those, 23 decided to proceed with an energy audit and 12 of those weatherized their homes. So just over 50% of families completing an audit proceeded with weatherization. This percentage compares favorably with other towns who participated in Upper Valley Weatherize campaign, where 42% of energy audits lead to home weatherization. We will monitor and track the effectiveness of this program.

## **D. Renewable Energy Educational Series**

The Energy Committee continued its presentations in the Renewable Energy Educational Series. The series featured technologies that could be used to meet the 100% renewable energy goal.

### **a. General Renewable Energy Education**

**Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Education Expo** - The Cornish and Plainfield Energy Committees staffed at table at this expo highlighting the work that we were doing. The expo presented sessions on: weatherization, LED lighting, living off the grid, high efficiency heating systems, batteries for power backup and cutting peak demand, solar PV systems, and net-zero energy building construction.

### **b. Renewable Energy Transportation**

**Clean Disruption ~ a film & discussion** - this event showcased a film in which Tony Seba argues that electric vehicle, battery storage, and solar power, along with autonomous vehicles, are a perfect example of a 10x exponential process which will wipe fossil fuels off the market in about a decade. Tony Seba is a Stanford University futurist who spent the last decades studying technological disruptions. The film was followed by a lively discussion debating the validity of his thesis.

**Electric Bike Workshop** - this very successful event demonstrated how to convert a standard bicycle to an electric bicycle. Attendees were able to watch the conversion and then test ride the completed electric bicycle. Riders were impressed at how easily they were able to ride up hills with the electric motor assist.

**National Drive Electric Vehicle Event.** Members of the Plainfield Energy Committee showed their electric vehicles at the third annual Electric Vehicle Expo in New London. It was probably the best-attended Drive Electric Week event in New England, with 42 electric vehicles and 400 participants. Vehicles present included Tesla Model 3, S and X; Chevy Bolt and Volt; Ford Fusion Energi; Honda Clarity; Nissan Leaf; Porsche Cayenne; Toyota Prius Prime and Zero Motorcycle. Attendees were able to inspect the vehicles and take test drives.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Evan Oxenham* and *Steve Ladd* Co-chairs  
Plainfield Energy Committee

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT -2018

Finance Committee members attended all School Board and Select Board meetings and public hearings related to the budget. In addition, separate Finance Committee meetings were held which included public participation, most of which reflected concern about the proposed replacement of the Meriden Library and tax increases generally.

Proposed expenditures in the school and town budgets do increase, 1% for the Town and 2.4% for the school. However, because of increased revenues and the budget decisions made by school and Town boards and administrations, tax dollars needed to fund these budgets will not increase in 2019.

On the other hand, neither budget addresses the overall trend of an ever-increasing tax burden which inevitably affects taxpayers on fixed, or more modest incomes differently than those with higher incomes. Our tax increases are not a result of “waste, fraud and abuse”, and we cannot force changes in State funding or regulatory requirements. However, we can control the level of service provided to our community. If we want to maintain the very high level of service provided by both our Town and School, our taxes will continue to rise incrementally. It is as simple as that. The challenge for a community with diverse incomes is to find a level of service that we all can live with. (See the conclusion of this report for suggestions to address this issue.)

Town Budget

### ***Meriden Library Bond (Article 3):***

In 2016, the Town voted to continue funding for the Meriden Library, effectively to maintain two libraries. That said, there has been ongoing concern that the existing Meriden Library building is not accessible, i.e. not ADA compliant, and not able to respond to the evolving needs of the community. At the 2018 Town Meeting, the Meriden Library Building Fund was established for the renovation or replacement of the existing building. In the past year, the Meriden Library Building Committee concluded that renovation was not a practical or cost-effective solution, and it has created and evaluated a plan to remove and replace the existing building. Half or more of the funds needed for this plan have been raised through private donations. The proposed bond represents the maximum amount needed from the Town to fund this project.

The decision before the community is whether to replace the current Meriden Library Building or to leave as is. This is not a decision about whether we should have two libraries, one for each village, in the Town of Plainfield. The Finance Committee heard testimony about many issues relating to this decision, including the following:

- ADA compliance, in this instance, is an ethical issue: Should the Town support a service that is not equally accessible to all of its citizens? However, the Philip Read Memorial Library is ADA compliant and fulfills the Town’s legal requirements for library access.
- The existing building is not energy efficient, but the structure is sound. In contrast, the proposed building would be exceptionally energy efficient, saving tax dollars over time as well as demonstrating our commitment to the environment and the “ready for 100” initiative.
- The proposed building includes a multi-purpose room which would be used primarily for library programs and would also be available for meetings of other groups. While that addition would increase the efficiency of the space for library

programs, accessible space is available for meetings at the school and Town Hall.

- The proposed bond would not increase taxes from their current level. The bond for the Philip Read Library addition has been repaid, and the new bond would have similar yearly costs.
- In a year when taxes have increased and at a time when the Plainfield tax rate (ranked as number 202 out of 232 municipalities) is among the highest in the state; and, with the expectation that other bonds will be requested in the future for the school gymnasium roof and town garage, should the Town fund only 'essential' services and return the cost of the previous bond to the taxpayers?

The Finance Committee is divided on this issue, but the majority of members do not support the bond issue at this time.

#### ***Municipal Fire Department Debt (Article 4):***

Plainfield and Meriden villages have had separate volunteer fire departments for much of their history. Several years ago, they moved to have a single chief to coordinate their efforts. The move to combine the two volunteer departments into a single municipal department comes at the request of the departments, driven in part because adequate liability insurance coverage will no longer be provided if they remain as private entities. The creation of a municipal fire department will bring some additional expense to the Town as it assumes responsibility for providing and maintaining buildings, equipment and vehicles. A reserve fund to prepare for these expenses was created at the 2018 Town meeting. However, the question at hand is how the Town will pay for the assumed debt of the PVFD of \$135,200. Rather than continuing the loan payments, the proposed use of the Town's fund balance to pay off the debt and start the new municipal fire department with no debt makes eminent sense to the Finance Committee. It is an appropriate use of the fund balance.

#### ***Town Operating Budget (Article 5):***

The Town operating budget is built to continue the level of service now provided. Overall, the \$2,258,950 requested represents a 1% increase from last year. Because of increased revenue, the tax dollars needed to fund the budget will decline slightly, -.3%. There are a few changes of note in the budget:

- The decrease in the fire department appropriation is accounted for by moving insurance costs to the insurance line and by assuming that Article 4 will pass and eliminate debt payments for PVFD.
- The increase in the Police budget results from the Town decision to provide 24hr coverage. No officer is present at the station at night so nighttime response results in significant overtime expense.
- Costs for ambulance and dispatch services continue to increase.
- Paving priorities for next year require increased support.
- This budget includes a \$10,000 increase in the pay for the community service director to more accurately reflect the level of service being provided.

Overall, the funding requested for Town operations is responsible if the current level of service is to be maintained, and the Finance Committee supports it. However, the committee also believes that the underlying assumptions about the level of services needed or desired by the community should be tested. (See the conclusion of this report for suggestions to address this issue.)

### ***Reserve Funds (Articles 6 & 7):***

The use of reserve funds to prepare for predictable expenses has served the community well by preventing large fluctuations in the tax rate. The proposed use of \$155,000 from the Highway Equipment Fund to purchase a new dump truck is evidence of the funds' value. The \$242,500 requested to fund the reserves is a good investment. However, there has been discussion that the Town has too many funds, multiple equipment and building maintenance funds for example. Combining related funds makes sense, and we look forward to Select Board proposals in that regard at the 2020 Town Meeting.

### ***Tax Exemptions for Elderly, Disabled and Deaf: Articles 8, 9 & 10):***

The Finance Committee believes that it is appropriate to provide tax relief to community members with limited financial resources and limited ability to increase those resources. These articles increase the dollar limits of eligibility to reflect changes in wages and inflation. We support these changes.

### **School Budget**

The school budget is focused on supporting and implementing the adopted school vision. The proposed 2019 budget of \$6,960,357 represents a 2.4% increase from the current budget. However, because of increased revenue, the tax dollars needed to fund the budget will decrease by -1.77%. If the warrant article for floor maintenance passes, the tax decrease will be reduced to -.97%. There are a few changes of note:

- In the last three years, the special education services provided to students who require placement in an out-of-district facility are the largest driver of increased expenses in the school budget. The proposed budget includes out-of-district expenses of nearly \$600,000. Of that amount, approximately \$375,000 is funded through local taxes. (See the conclusion of this report for suggestions to address this issue.)
- The rate of increase in benefit costs has slowed since the negotiated adoption of a high-option, consumer-driven health insurance plan. Benefit expenditures in the proposed budget increase by 3.3%.
- A new category of Curriculum Adoption includes \$37,402 for math and reading materials / resources. Both areas of the curriculum are being revised, and an additional \$10,500 in professional development is largely focused on this change as well.
- An additional \$20,000 for instructional technology supports chromebooks for library and classroom use to replace aging and more expensive Apple products and supports Promethium Boards to replace more expensive 'Smart Boards'.
- As a result of our cooperation with Cornish, Technology services for PES will now be provided by the Windsor, VT school district's technology team. Additional services will be provided at a lower cost than the District would pay with the current provider.
- The trust funds established for building maintenance, LHS and special education tuition, and benefits are now fully funded so no additional tax dollars are requested this year.

Although taxes will not increase, there are additional investments in this budget. The difference from past years is that the resources requested - technology, curriculum



materials and professional development - are integrated and focused on a common goal: to create a 21<sup>st</sup> century program and teach future-ready skills. The majority of Finance Committee members support this budget request.

*Floor Maintenance (Article 2):*

This article continues the process of replacing carpeted areas with Terrazzo epoxy to address moisture issues in the classrooms. In addition, it includes funding for asbestos abatement in area to be renovated. The Finance Committee supports this request.

**Concerns and Recommendations**

*Overall there are two related Issues:*

1. Increasing participation at School District and Town Meetings is a critical need if our Town is to continue with this form of governance.
2. Our school and town budgets reflect a very high level of service provided by both entities. The tax resources needed to support this level of service places an unsustainable burden on a number of our residents. We request that the Town support an effort to get an organized response from as many of our citizens as possible about these issues. It may take the form of a Charrette or survey or other process to determine what services need to be continued or improved and what services can be reduced or eliminated. The results should shape our budgets and Town organization as we move toward a more clearly defined future.

**School Issues**

*Special Education Funding:*

The combined expense for programming and transportation for two students with out-of-district placements now approaches \$600,000. State formulas require the district to pay approximately \$55,000 for each student and then promises to reimburse the district for 80% of eligible expenses above that amount if funding is available. However, State catastrophic aid is normally 60% to 70% of the amount needed. The result is that our community funds nearly \$375,000 for these students. The Finance Committee and our community fully support the right of students to receive an education appropriate to their needs and abilities. However, it is not reasonable to expect that a small district like Plainfield can continue to provide this level of financial support. We encourage community members to urge our legislators and governor to provide adequate support for special education out-of-district placements and/or to explore alternative funding models.

*Program Evaluation:*

When appropriations are approved for new programs, we recommend that a District or School report be produced at the end of the year to update the Finance Committee and community on the status of the programs and their effectiveness. Parents may be informed, but the majority of our community members do not currently have students at PES.

**Town Issues**

*Trash & Recycle Collection:*

Providing curbside trash and recycle collection is expensive (\$170,500), and costs are increasing. Anecdotally, it seems that fewer people are using this service, preferring instead to take their refuse directly to the landfill in Lebanon. Since the contract with

Casella will soon be up for renewal, the Town should assess whether the current level of service is needed and should explore alternatives including the re-institution of a local drop off, providing a reduced level of collection as a Town service or making refuse disposal a personal responsibility.

*Road Maintenance:*

Road maintenance, especially plowing and sanding in the winter, is a major expense. The Town should explore potential cost savings by privatizing some of that work through local contractors. It should also assess the community's tolerance for a less aggressive plowing, sanding and road treatment program which would focus on 'after-the-storm' cleanup rather than the current effort to pre-treat roads and keep them bare throughout a storm. Both approaches have costs, risks, and benefits.

*Dispatching and Ambulance Service:*

We encourage the Town to continue the evaluation of alternatives to the current service providers.

*Mike Sutherland* Chair, Finance Committee

## **STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT #9**

I am honored to be serving the communities of Cornish, Croydon, Grantham, Newport, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee, and Unity in my third term as State Representative. I will be serving as the Clerk for the Education Committee and Assistant Majority Floor Leader.

Last term was very busy looking at some pressing issues for New Hampshire. We expanded full day Kindergarten using Keno receipts which provides inconsistent funding. After much discussion and political maneuvering, a bill to allow school vouchers was sent to interim study. The voucher system would have drained money from our public schools and raise local taxes. We passed a bill to include civics in our current curriculum standards. Several programs were initiated to help high school students develop a career path and gain some college credits while still in high school. Transgender protections were added to our State's non discrimination statute which will protect all our students. The discussion created by a bill I co-sponsored about the secure psychiatric unit,(SPU), presently located in the State Prison, has led to the State committing to much needed secure units outside of the prison. The result will be a suitable facility with treatment for people with mental illness rather than incarceration. Expanded Medicaid program was reauthorized which, along with the Governor's 'hub and spoke' initiative for accessing and providing treatment, will help address the opioid crisis.

This term will be a busy year with over 1,000 bills submitted. In this first year of the biennium the focus will be on budget and revenue streams. The Education Committee will have many issues to address with school funding being front and center. In the past decade downshifting of financing for many school programs from the State to the local property tax has resulted in great disparity in educational opportunity and has significantly increased local property taxes. There are many issues in the funding process that have to be discussed and addressed including per pupil adequacy, building aid, stabilization grants, special education funding, and fully funded kindergarten. At the higher education level funding for our University and Community College system needs to be addressed. We have one of the highest tuition costs resulting in the highest student

loan debt in the country. The bottom line is revenue funding. The question is where will the State come up with the funds to meet the needs of local schools and communities and offer property tax relief.

Thank you for the opportunity to represent you in our state government. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me with your comments, concerns, or questions.

*Linda Tanner*

NH State Representative Sullivan District 9

## **STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT #1**

Following my election in the special election of 2017, I have been reelected to a full term in the New Hampshire House of Representatives. It is an honor and privilege to serve as the Representative to the four towns of this House District. I pledge to work my hardest to advocate for the residents of these towns and to be true to the principles that I ran on. I will be a dedicated supporter of quality education, economic development that helps workers, and a clean environment enhanced by renewable energy.

One of the hallmarks of the 2018 legislative session was the extension of Expanded Medicaid for five years. This will protect the medical coverage for over 50,000 New Hampshire residents. It also provides essential funding and support in the effort to end the opioid crisis. We need to find ways to make sure all residents of New Hampshire have access to healthcare. Expanded Medicaid brings us one step closer to that goal. The controversial SB 193 school voucher bill was defeated with a bipartisan vote in the New Hampshire House. If passed it would have siphoned tax dollars away from local public schools and channel the tax dollars to private, religious and home schools. Members from both parties recognized that this would have been constitutionally challenged and it would have involved local schools either cutting programs or raising property taxes to offset the lost revenue.

At the start of the 2019 session I was honored to be asked to serve as chair of the House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee. I have been enjoying the challenges related to leading a committee. One of those challenges will be holding hearings on three separate minimum wage bills. For many years, New Hampshire has followed the federal minimum wage which has sat at \$7.25 per hour since 2009. It seems likely that the Labor Committee will support a higher New Hampshire minimum wage. It is unclear exactly what will be the outcome after the House and Senate finish work on the issue. I hope the governor will support a higher minimum wage, I do.

Some bills that failed to pass last year are returning this session with better prospects. One of those is Paid Family Leave. This is an insurance program that is paid for by premiums deducted from payroll. Employers will then submit these premiums to the State along with workers compensation premiums. After an employee has been enrolled in the plan for 12 months, he or she will be eligible for 12 weeks of paid leave at 60% pay if the employee or a family member becomes sick or injured. This is a family and worker friendly benefit that will make New Hampshire an even better place to work and raise a family.

Another bill coming back this year is the repeal of the death penalty. This is an effort that some veteran legislators have been working on for decades. I have always opposed the death penalty simply because I feel that it is wrong for the State to use death as punishment, but after studying the issue more closely over the past year, I have become

more convinced than ever that it is wrong for New Hampshire. I recently heard a woman speak who spent two years on death row in another state for being wrongly accused of killing her infant son. Our criminal justice system most often gets things right, but not always. We cannot allow someone to be executed by mistake. Having a convicted murderer on death row also causes great suffering for the family of the victim. Every time there is an appeal or other court hearing, the family must relive the tragic event. This goes on for years. Better to have the convict in prison for life with no parole and allow the family to process their grief and live their lives in relative peace. Finally, there is the cost factor. It is much less expensive to have a convict spend live in prison than to pay for the near endless legal costs associated with carrying out the death penalty. It is time for New Hampshire to replace the death penalty with life in prison without parole. I am always happy to receive input from constituents, so please do not hesitate to contact me. [briansullivannh@gmail.com](mailto:briansullivannh@gmail.com)

*Brian Sullivan* NH State Representative District 1

## **MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT 2018 Operator's Report**

The EPA put the Meriden Village Water District under an Administrative Order (AO) to make changes to the wastewater treatment facility to bring it into compliance with the current discharge permit. The AO spells out several deadlines for compliance and for progress reporting. The District is in the middle of an investigation into groundwater discharge through rapid infiltration basins (RIBs). Effluent has been pumped to four RIBs at the treatment facility since November of 2017. The preliminary results of this project are encouraging thus far. It appears that groundwater discharge may be a feasible option to comply with the EPA order. If groundwater discharge proves feasible and the State and the EPA allow the District to permanently switch to it, it will ultimately save the users of the facility potentially millions of dollars. A final report on the investigation and a recommendation for the future is due to be filed in July of 2019.

For the RIBs to be viable it will be important to eliminate all sources of inflow and infiltration to the sewer collection system. The District received an asset management grant from the State Revolving Fund during the year. Some of the funding was used to complete a video inspection of the sewer collection system. Several areas of inflow were discovered and their elimination is in progress. Sump pumps located in basements are the most common inflow source. Sump pumps are not allowed to be connected to the sewer as they contribute large quantities of clean water that does not need to be treated. The rest of the grant money is being used to develop an asset management plan for the treatment facility.

In June a brand new 54kw solar array capable of powering all MVWD facilities was brought on line. The array is owned by a private investor who is able to take advantage of the available tax incentives. The District purchases power from the investor at a discount through a power purchase agreement. The District will have the opportunity to purchase the array at the end of seven years.

The first phase of a water meter installation project was completed over the summer. The District selected the Badger meter company to provide all the hardware and web- based software for a cellular based meter reporting system. The first phase involved the installation of meters in all KUA owned facilities. This will allow KUA to

report their actual water usage to the State under the large groundwater user program. The second phase will bring meters to all other MVWD customers in the next few years.

The Granite State Rural Water Assn worked with the MVWD during the year in the development of a source water protection plan. The plan is a tool in helping to protect one of our most valuable assets, drinking water. The MVWD wellhead protection area was digitized and a shape file created that has been sent to the Town GIS provider to be added to the town database. This will help shape development into the future with an eye toward protecting our drinking water supply.

Respectfully Submitted,

*William S. Taylor*, Certified Operator, Meriden Village Water District

*Jeffrey S. Albright*

*Murray Dewdney*

*Nathaniel Pierson*

Commissioners, Meriden Village Water District

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN, SS.

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the MERIDEN FIRE STATION in said Meriden Village Water District on Tuesday the nineteenth day of March 2019 at 7:30 p.m. to act upon the following subjects:

### ARTICLE 1.

To choose the necessary District Officers for the ensuing year, or otherwise as the by-laws direct:

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.
6. Such other officers and agents as the voters may judge necessary for the

managing of the District's affairs, or as may be directed by law to be chosen.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993 for replacing or upgrading the water distribution system facilities and equipment, pursuant to RSA35:1, with said \$7,360 to come from unassigned fund balance and \$2,640 to come from user charges. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1997 for the purpose of replacing or upgrading facilities and equipment for the wastewater treatment system, pursuant to RSA35:1, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$285,992 which represents the operating budget, with \$277,832 to come from user charges and \$8,160 to come from unassigned fund balance. Said sum does not include special or individual warrant articles addressed. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 5.** To see what action the District will take with regard to the reports of the District officers.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see what action the District will take with regard to water and sewer user charges.

**ARTICLE 7.** To enact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. Given under our hands and seal this twelfth day of February, 2019.

**A true copy attest:**

*Jeffery Albright*  
*Murray Dewdney*  
*Nathaniel Pierson*

**Commissioners Meriden Village Water District**

**MINUTES  
MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT MEETING  
MARCH 20, 2018**

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 Meriden Fire Station on Tuesday the twentieth of March 2018 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 1.** 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: Jeffrey Albright

Treasurer for one year: Donald Garfield

Auditor for one year: Catherine Legare

The vote was unanimous in the affirmative and the Moderator declared the individuals were elected.

**ARTICLE 2.** 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 twenty nine thousand seven hundred thirty two dollars (\$29,732) (gross appropriation) for the purpose of performing asset management for the District's wastewater collection system, to authorize the issuance of not more than twenty nine thousand seven hundred thirty two dollars (\$29,732) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and, further, to authorize the Commissioners to issue and

negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the conditions and the rate of interest thereon; and, to further authorize the Commissioners to offset a portion of said appropriation by applying for Clean Water State Revolving Funds (CWSRF), it being understood that repayment of the loan funds may include up to 100% principal forgiveness in the amount of \$29,732.

After holding the polls open for one hour, votes were counted, 5 yes, 0 no. The motion was voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

**ARTICLE 3.** 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 ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993 for replacing or upgrading the water distribution system, pursuant to RSA35:1, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance.

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

**ARTICLE 4.** 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 ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1997 for the purpose of replacing or upgrading facilities and equipment for the wastewater treatment system, pursuant to RSA35:1, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance.

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

**ARTICLE 5.** 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 \$245,860, which represents the operating budget, with funds to come from user charges, and unassigned fund balance. 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 6.** The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the reports of District Officers as printed in the Town of Plainfield 2017 Town Report be approved, and that a corrected copy be placed on file with the District Clerk.

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

**ARTICLE 7.** The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED:

1. That District charges for residential sewer service be increased from \$110 per quarter to \$115 per quarter.
2. That District charges for sewer service to Kimball Union Academy be increased from \$9,680 per month to \$9,730 per month.
3. That District charges for sewer service to Plainfield Elementary School remain at \$550 per month.
4. That District charges for residential water service be increased from \$90 per quarter to \$95 per quarter.

5. That District charges for water service to Kimball Union Academy be increased from \$6,050 per month to \$6,460 per month.  
It was voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

**ARTICLE 8.** The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the District accept the provisions of RSA 31:95-b providing that any village district at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the commissioners to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the village district meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal, or other government unit or private source which becomes available during the fiscal year.

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

**ARTICLE 9.** There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

*Roberta I. Garfield*

Roberta I. Garfield, Clerk

**Commissioners,**

**Meriden Village Water District**

**P.O. Box 84**

**Meriden, NH 03770**

**SUBJECT: 2016 Audit Findings**

**Gentlemen:**

I have reviewed the MVWD Treasurer's 2018 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 01/26/19



**Meriden Village Water District  
Water Department Balance Sheet  
12/31/2018**

**Assets:**

Checking account balance	\$93,873.14
Undeposited funds	\$0.00
Capital Reserve Fund	\$91,053.42
Accounts due District: Water charges due	\$20,674.19
<hr/> Total Assets	<hr/> \$205,600.75

**Liabilities:**

Reserve Funds: Capital Reserve	\$91,053.42
<hr/> Total Liabilities	<hr/> \$91,053.42

<hr/> Fund Balance- Current Surplus	<hr/> \$114,547.33
Grand Total	\$205,600.75

**Principal Balance Long Term Debt:**

State of NH Revolving Fund	\$306,896.83
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**Sewer Department Balance Sheet  
As of December 31, 2018**

**Assets:**

Checking account balance	\$60,091.82
Undeposited funds	\$0.00
Capital Reserve Fund	\$56,343.21
Accounts due District: Sewer charges due	\$18,780.12
<hr/> Total Assets	<hr/> \$135,215.15

**Liabilities:**

Reserve Funds: Capital Reserve	\$56,343.21
<hr/> Total Liabilities	<hr/> \$56,343.21

<hr/> Fund Balance- Current Surplus	<hr/> \$78,871.94
Grand Total	\$135,215.15

**Principal Balance Long Term Debt:**

State of NH Revolving Fund	\$143,813.84
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**MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT  
SEWER DEPARTMENT**

<b>Income</b>	<b>2017 Budget</b>	<b>2017 Actual</b>	<b>2018 Budget</b>	<b>2018 Actual</b>	<b>2019 Budget</b>
Sewer Charges	\$146,740	\$145,559	\$145,000	\$147,297	\$145,000
Hook-Ups	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,250	\$0
Interest	\$0	\$1,316	\$0	\$15	\$0
From Capital Reserve	\$0	\$38,600	\$0		\$0
Transfer from Water					\$0
From Surplus	\$0		\$18,980		\$20,800
Solar Energy Generation			\$0	\$1,541	\$1,500
Other Income		\$300	\$29,732	\$144	\$29,732
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$146,740</b>	<b>\$185,775</b>	<b>\$193,712</b>	<b>\$151,247</b>	<b>\$197,032</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>2017 Budget</b>	<b>2017 Actual</b>	<b>2018 Budget</b>	<b>2018 Actual</b>	<b>2019 Budget</b>
Office	\$1,000	\$1,003	\$1,200	\$347	\$1,200
Legal	\$200	\$1,797	\$200	\$0	\$200
Electricity	\$7,500	\$5,262	\$7,500	\$9,088	\$9,100
Insurance	\$25,100	\$25,591	\$26,000	\$24,150	\$28,000
Maintenance	\$17,728	\$16,336	\$17,000	\$15,603	\$17,000
Telephone	\$1,200	\$1,115	\$1,200	\$1,150	\$1,200
Wages	\$38,982	\$36,931	\$39,000	\$37,050	\$40,000
FICA, Medicare	\$3,800	\$4,274	\$4,400	\$3,786	\$4,400
Retirement	\$6,800	\$7,520	\$7,700	\$6,948	\$7,700
Interest on debt	\$6,200	\$6,131	\$5,600	\$5,574	\$5,020
Principal on debt	\$15,980	\$15,979	\$15,980	\$15,979	\$15,980
Supplies	\$3,000	\$2,341	\$3,000	\$1,532	\$3,000
Effluent Testing	\$4,500	\$4,620	\$4,700	\$647	\$4,500
Vehicle	\$750	\$104	\$500	\$0	\$0
Capital Reserve	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Ground Water.					
Monitoring	\$4,000	\$9,331	\$10,000	\$1,980	\$10,000
Special Projects		\$27,481	\$39,732	\$6,361	\$39,732
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$146,740</b>	<b>\$175,816</b>	<b>\$193,712</b>	<b>\$140,195</b>	<b>\$197,032</b>

**MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT  
WATER DEPARTMENT**

<b>Income</b>	<b>2017 Budget</b>	<b>2017 Actual</b>	<b>2018 Budget</b>	<b>2018 Actual</b>	<b>2019 Budget</b>
Water Rents	\$97,440	\$97,728	\$97,000	\$101,659	\$98,000
Hook-Ups	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500	\$0
Hydrant Rentals	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$0	\$3,600
Interest	\$0	\$1,951	\$0	\$27	\$0
From Capital Reserve	\$0	\$8,000	\$0	\$45,000	\$0
Transfer From Sewer		\$11,138	\$0	\$0	\$0
From Surplus	\$0	\$0	\$2,780	\$0	\$7,360
Other Income		\$0		\$108	\$0
<b>Total Income</b>	\$101,040	\$122,418	\$103,380	\$148,293	\$108,960
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>2017 Budget</b>	<b>2017 Actual</b>	<b>2018 Budget</b>	<b>2018 Actual</b>	<b>2019 Budget</b>
Office	\$500	\$1,291	\$1,200	\$802	\$1,200
Legal	\$250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200
Electricity	\$7,000	\$4,822	\$6,000	\$4,712	\$5,000
Insurance	\$6,000	\$5,068	\$7,000	\$5,874	\$7,000
Maintenance	\$15,634	\$9,093	\$15,000	\$12,833	\$15,000
Tractor Purchase	\$0	\$22,276	\$0	\$0	\$0
Telephone	\$350	\$378	\$380	\$393	\$400
Wages	\$13,044	\$11,644	\$13,000	\$12,485	\$14,000
FICA, Medicare	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Retirement	\$2,300	\$1,519	\$2,300	\$2,347	\$2,660
Interest on debt	\$12,462	\$12,462	\$11,400	\$11,393	\$10,300
Principal on debt	\$32,000	\$31,909	\$33,000	\$32,978	\$34,100
Supplies	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
Water Analysis	\$1,500	\$2,010	\$2,100	\$1,594	\$2,100
Water Meter Project			\$45,000	\$31,041	\$5,000
Capital Reserve	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$101,040	\$110,472	\$148,380	\$126,450	\$108,960

## **PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT**

### **Commissioners' Annual Report**

The Water District had no major changes during 2018. Our major expenditure was on cleaning the storage tank on Sugar Hill and bringing it up to safety code. The work brought it to a state of good repair that should be good for another fifteen to twenty years.

System operation during 2018 was generally satisfactory. Our system operator has done a good job keeping up with testing and reporting requirements, the result of which is that we have not had to send out any notices except the annual Consumer Confidence Report. The results of all of our tests were satisfactory, and well within the required limits.

A Proposed bill to reduce the violation level for arsenic to half of the current level is in the state legislature this year. If the bill actually passes as drafted, no action would be required by the District until 2021. The State would be responsible for any required expenditures, as this would be a new mandate.

One of the three requested new connections was completed last year at no cost to the District. Another has been on hold since September, but may become active again this year. We are planning to do some replacement work, most likely on the main 6" line along 12-A, but possibly including replacing a fire hydrant. Some customer curb stops and meters will also be replaced as necessary.

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. We did recover some of our "old debt" when two residences were sold. Our policy of making settlement offers for delinquent customers has not been particularly fruitful, so we are also considering pursuing other options.

The DES grant program that is expected to bring in about \$4,200 this year was funded for the 2018 fiscal year. This year's \$20,000 bond payment is the last one, which will leave the District without any long-term debt. The slight reduction in rates we were able to adopt in 2012 continues to yield enough revenue to meet our expenses.

Ron Bailey, who has attended our annual meetings faithfully for several years, was elected as a commissioner to replace the retiring Gordon Gillens. Ron has jumped in and is doing a good job.

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. Our annual meeting is on March 30<sup>th</sup> at the Plainfield Library.

The commissioners

*Robert Dwyer*

*Brad Atwater*

*Ron Bailey*

**WARRANT**  
**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**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 **Philip Read Memorial Library** in said Plainfield Village Water District on **Saturday the 30th of March 2019 at 9:00 a.m.**, to act upon the following subjects.

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

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 **\$52,490** 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 Third Day of March in the year of our Lord,  
Two Thousand Nineteen

At true copy attest:

*Robert Drupe,*  
*Brad Atwater,*  
*Ron Bailey*

**PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2018**

**ASSETS**

Cash	69,442
Accounts receivable	26,850
Machinery and equipment	124,288
Buildings	10,000
Land and improvements	70,000
Tank/Well project	<u>450,000</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 750,580</u></b>

**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

**Liabilities**

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 0
Tax Anticipation Notes	0
Bond payable –NHMBB	<u>20,000</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b><u>20,000</u></b>

**Net Assets**

Unrestricted assets	<u>730,580</u>
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 750,580</u></b>

**Plainfield Village Water District  
Statement of Cash Flow for the year 2018**

<b>Opening Cash position</b>	<b>\$68,347.23</b>
Water Rent	\$48,350.72
Other Income	<u>\$4,287.68</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$52,638.40</b>
Admin Expenses	\$4,111.21
Operations	\$33,332.22
Bond Debt - Principal Reduction	\$20,000.00
Bond Debt - Interest	\$2,100.00
TAN notes - interest	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>Total operating disbursements</b>	<b>\$59,543.43</b>
<b>Capital Projects</b>	
<b>Transfers to Trust Funds</b>	
System Maintenance Fund	\$0.00
<b>Transfers from Trust Funds</b>	
System Maintenance Fund	\$8,000.00
<b>Net cash flow before TAN borrowings</b>	<b>\$1,094.97</b>
Net TAN borrowings	\$0.00
<b>Net change in cash balance</b>	<b>\$1,094.97</b>
<b>Ending Cash position</b>	<b>\$69,442.20</b>

**PLAINFIELD VILLAGE DISTRICT  
2018 BUDGET (DRA format)**

	<b>2018 Proposed</b>	<b>2018 Actual</b>	<b>2019 Proposed</b>
Executive	\$1,290	\$1,290	\$1,290
Financial Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0
Legal Expense	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Government Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0
Insurance	\$1,200	\$1,300	\$1,200
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other General Government Administration	\$3,500	\$540	\$2,500
Water Services	\$18,000	\$18,843	\$18,000
Water Treatment	\$400	\$242	\$400
Water Conservation and Other	\$0	\$0	\$0
Princ. Log Term Bonds & Notes	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Interest-Long Term Notes	\$2,100	\$2,100	\$1,050
Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Debt Service	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land and Improvements	\$0	\$0	\$0
Machinery, Vehicles & Equip.	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings	\$1,000	\$30	\$1,000
Improvements other than Bldgs	\$5,000	\$15,198	\$5,000
<b>Operating Budget Total</b>	<b>\$52,490</b>	<b>\$59,543</b>	<b>\$50,440</b>
Improvements other than Bldgs	\$0	\$0	\$0
To Capital Reserve Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Revenues</b>			
<b>State of New Hampshire</b>	<b>\$4,200</b>	<b>\$4,280</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>
<b>Charges for Service</b>			
Water Supply System Charges	\$50,000	\$48,351	\$46,430
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Interest on Investments</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>\$7</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>From Capital Reserve Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Amounts voted from FB</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Revenues and Credits</b>	<b>\$54,210</b>	<b>\$60,638</b>	<b>\$50,440</b>

## Minutes of Plainfield Village Water District

March 24 2018

Moderator Jeff Moore opened the meeting at 9:05 am, declaring that the Warrant and MS-636 were posted as required. Mr. Moore then took up the Warrant. Rob Drye moved to dispense with the reading of the warrant. Ron Bailey seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Moore read Article I. Gordon Gillens made a motion under Article I:

Resolved, that the District choose the necessary District Officers for the ensuing year or otherwise.

A moderator for one year.

A clerk for one year

A commissioner for three years

A treasurer for one year

An auditor for one year

Seconded by Jeff Moore.

Rob Drye moved that the secretary cast one vote for the following slate:

Jeff Moore – moderator for one year

Margaret Drye – clerk for one year

Ron Bailey – commissioner for three years

Sarah Gillens – treasures for one year

Bev Widger – auditor for one year

Jeff Moore seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Moore declared the slate elected.

Mr. Moore proceeded to read Article II. Rob Drye made a motion under Article II:

Resolved, that the District accept the reports of District officers as printed in the 2017 Plainfield Town Report on pages 93-96 as amended, a certified copy to be placed with the Plainfield Town Clerk.

Seconded by Gordon Gillens. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Moore proceeded to read Article III. Gordon Gillens made a motion under Article III:

Resolved, that the District raise and appropriate the sum of **\$52,490** to defray district expenses, and 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.)

Seconded by Rob Drye. Rob Drye made a motion to vote by show of hands. Ron Bailey seconded. Motion passed by voice vote. Vote taken on Article III by show of hands.

Yes   5   No   0  

Mr. Moore declared the motion passed.

Rob Drye thanked Gordon Gillens for filling in and stepping up to serve when needed. His work was much appreciated.

Mr. Moore proceeded to read Article IV. Mr. Moore then swore in new and returning officers. A motion to adjourn was made by Ron Bailey, seconded by Gordon Gillens. Passed on voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 am. *Margaret Drye*- Clerk



### MARRIAGES 2018

DATE	APPLICANTS	RESIDENCE	TOWN OF ISSUANCE	TOWN OF MARRIAGE
01/27/2018	McNamara, Jason G. Malnati, Emily L.	Plainfield, NH Walpole, NH	Plainfield	Walpole
02/25/2018	Young, Trevyr J. Curtis, Kylie J.	Plainfield, NH Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Plainfield
04/09/2018	Swarts, Johannes Perry, Heather J.	Plainfield, NH Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Plainfield
07/21/2018	Zbikowski, Alec D. Caisse, Morgan D.	Plainfield, NH Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Rindge
08/05/2018	Lord, Thomas R. Lorefice, Anne Marie	Plainfield, NH Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Sandown
08/18/2018	Rogers, Justin C. Grobe, Lauren E.	Enfield, NH Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Plainfield
08/18/2018	Alberts, George B. Herbert, Charlotte E.	Alexandria, VA Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Plainfield
09/08/2018	Earley, Timothy J. Dessert, Kathleen R.	Plainfield, NH Plainfield, NH	Plainfield	Enfield

### BIRTHS – 2018

D.O.B.	NAME	PLACE	FATHER	MOTHER
01/02/2018	Lang, Jonathan Patrick	Lebanon	Lang, Timothy	Curran, Chelsea
01/09/2018	MacNamee, Charlotte Fae	Lebanon	MacNamee, Scott	MacNamee, Kelsey
02/25/2018	Lamper, Henry Woolsey	Lebanon	Lamper, Nicholas	Sheehan, Elizabeth
03/28/2018	Stein, Madeline Grace	Lebanon	Stein, James	Stein, Caitlin
07/14/2018	Clouse, Lily Margaret	Lebanon	Clouse, Jeffrey	Clouse, Megan
07/30/2018	Robb, Amelia Mae	Lebanon	Robb, Jared	Santor, Alison
08/01/2018	Churchill, Mason David Lee	Lebanon	Churchill, Shawn	Churchill, Tiffany
09/07/2018	Meyveagaci II, Arif Ahmet	Lebanon	Meyveagaci, Ahmet	Mitchell, Samantha
10/22/2018	Altman, Antonia Kim	Lebanon	Altman, Jason	Altman, Rachel
11/26/2018	Ratliff, Jacqueline Waite	Lebanon	Ratliff, Jordan	Ratliff, Lindsay
12/09/2018	Wainwright, Hattie Mac	Lebanon	Wainwright, Larry	Simoneau, Madison

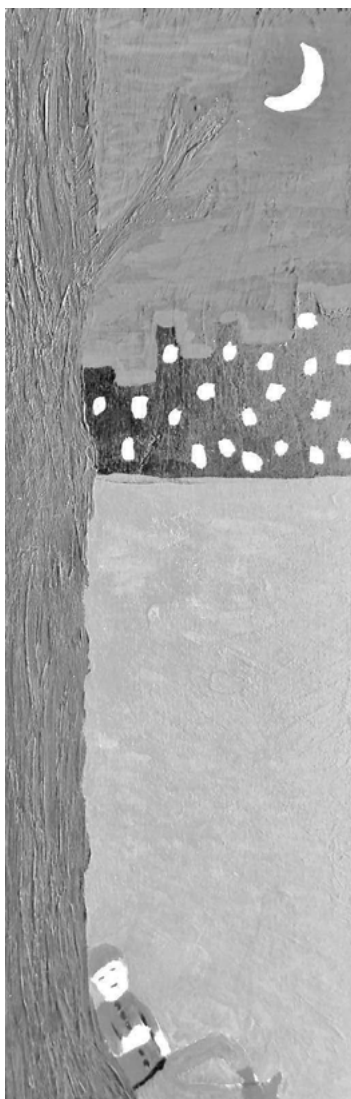
## DEATHS – 2018

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Father</b>	<b>Mother</b>
05/25/2017	Mighill, Bradford	Vermont	Mighill, Charles	Hatch, Viola
<b>DEATHS - 2018</b>				
01/21/2018	Hoisington, Rita	Plainfield	Laviolette, Fidele	Labbe, Elizabeth
02/09/2018	Steel, Mildred	Plainfield	Howard, Dewey	Lockel, Pauline
04/05/2018	Athanas, Carolyn	Lebanon	Robinson, William	Hayes, Alma
04/21/2018	Brogdale, Robert	Claremont	Brogdale, Harold	Unknown, Winifred
04/22/2018	Chellis, Cheyenne	Meriden	Sullivan, Earl	Strobel, Lillian
08/01/2018	Witzel, Jane	Meriden	Thompson, Harry	Sidwell, Doris
09/15/2018	Timmons, Susan	Vermont	Johnson, William	Slavenwhite, Maude
10/04/2018	Aldrich, Lawrence	Plainfield	Aldrich, Bliss	Landry, Zepherine
10/07/2018	West, Linda	Plainfield	Couture, Leon	Wood, Opal
10/11/2018	Dupuis, Judith	Lebanon	Briggs, Clyde	Cuburn, Gladys
10/16/2018	Gallagher, Anne	Plainfield	Buck, William	Pickering, Annie
10/24/2018	Athanas, Richard	Vermont	Athanas, Arthur	Constantine, Mary
11/08/2018	Angelillo, Salvatore	Plainfield	Angelillo, Salvatore	Cassolino, Rose
11/08/2018	Mosher, Emma	Hanover	Towne, Elmer	Kimball, Stella
11/22/2018	Spencer, Susan	Lebanon	Germeroth, Robert	Wyman, Roberta
12/03/2018	Phillips, Brenda	Plainfield	Phillips, George	Dixon, Anne
12/09/2018	Walker, Kinsley	Plainfield	Walker, Maurice	Gahs, Anne
12/24/2018	Powers, William	Nashua	Powers III, William	Snelling, Sarah
12/30/2018	Gusha Jr, Wilbur	Lebanon	Gusha Sr, Wilbur	Ellsworth, Mattie

**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2018**



Kylie Benson, eighth grade



Elena Robb, eighth grade

**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018**

**OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**MODERATOR**

Paul Franklin

**DISTRICT CLERK**

(vacant)

**TREASURER**

Jeffrey Moore

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**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

Jenny Ramsey  
(Term expires 2019)

Raymond Webb  
(Term expires 2019)

Michael Button  
(Term expires 2021)

Beth Houde  
(Term expires 2021)

Katherine Whybrow, Board Chair  
(Term expires 2020)

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**PLAINFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**

Sondra Brake

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**CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Frank Perotti

**DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES**

Amy Dressler

**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 eighth day of March, 2019, 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 \$6,960,357 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 2019-2020 fiscal year. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.  
(The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

Article III.           To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 (forty-five thousand dollars) for the purpose of replacement of two sections of school building flooring with the Epoxy Urethane surface.  
(The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

Article IV.           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 V.            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 March 12, 2019).

Given under our hands at said Plainfield this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019

**A True Copy Attest:**

*Katherine Whybrow, Chair*

*Michael Button*

*Beth Houde*

*Jenny Ramsey*

*Raymond Webb*

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 twelfth of March 2019 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 8th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Plainfield Elementary School.

Given unto our hands at said Plainfield this fourth day of February 2019.

**A True Copy Attest:**

*Katherine Whybrow, Chair*  
*Michael Button*  
*Beth Houde*  
*Jenny Ramsey*  
*Raymond Webb*  
Plainfield School Board



Study of Picasso's *Guernica* by Chase Adams, seventh grade

**Plainfield School District  
Minutes  
Annual Meeting – March 10, 2018**

At a legal meeting of the voters of the School District of Plainfield, Moderator Paul Franklin called the meeting to order at 10:05am on Saturday, March 10, 2018, at the Plainfield School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield.

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator introduced the Board Members and Professional Staff then explained the rules of the meeting and read the statement by Lisa Elder, Clerk of the School District of Plainfield, NH, that hereby certifies that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018, the posting of the true and attested copy of the within warrant at the Plainfield School, the Meriden and Plainfield Town Halls was complete, said locations being public places within the District. Notarized by Michelle Marsh, Notary Public.

The Moderator then read the Certification of Posting and Certification of the Checklist, noting that 1629 names were listed on the Checklist.

A motion was made by Steve Halleran (and seconded by Steve Taylor) to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant. The vote by voice was in the affirmative.

**ARTICLE I:** The Moderator recognized Kate Whybrow who offered the following resolution:

That the District accept the report of district officers as printed in the Town Report, subject to any corrections.

The resolution was seconded by Chris Forman

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

**ARTICLE II:** The Moderator recognized Chris Forman who offered the following resolution.

Resolved: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,797,101 for the support of schools, for payment of salaries to school district officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District (for the 2018-2019 fiscal year). This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

The resolution was seconded by Kate Whybrow.

School Board Chair Chris Forman gave a presentation using a slideshow. He included updates on the Warrant Articles passed last year. The floor was then open to debate and discussion.

The question was called and seconded to go to the vote.

The vote by secret ballot for Article II resulted in:

**YES 88                      NO 24**

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

**ARTICLE III:** The Moderator recognized Chris Forman who offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the district vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Fiscal Year Estimated Increase 2019: \$19,113

Fiscal Year Estimated Increase 2020: \$18,865

Fiscal Year Estimated Increase 2021: \$19,736

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,113 (Nineteen thousand one hundred thirteen dollars) for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

The resolution was seconded by Jenny Ramsey.

The vote by secret ballot for Article III resulted in:

**YES 87                      NO 23**

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



**ARTICLE IV:** The Moderator recognized Jenny Ramsey who offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the district vote to lay Article 4 on the table.

The Moderator recognized that Article 4 which reads, “if Article 3 is defeated, the Plainfield School Board shall authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article cost items only” is now moot due to the positive vote on the prior article.

The resolution was seconded by Chris Forman.

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

**ARTICLE V:** The Moderator recognized Kate Whybrow who offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the district vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Fiscal Year Estimated Increase 2019: \$40,715

Fiscal Year Estimated Increase 2020: \$39,526

Fiscal Year Estimated Increase 2021: \$40,317

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,715 (Forty thousand seven hundred fifteen dollars) for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

The resolution was seconded by Ray Webb.

The vote by secret ballot on Article V resulted in:

**YES 77**

NO 31

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

**ARTICLE VI:** The Moderator recognized Ray Webb who offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the district vote to lay Article 6 on the table.

The Moderator recognized that Article 6 which reads, “if Article 5 is defeated, the Plainfield School Board shall authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article cost items only” is now moot due to the positive vote on the prior article.

The resolution was seconded by Kate Whybrow.

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

**ARTICLE VII:** The Moderator recognized Mike Sutherland who offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (Fifty thousand dollars), to be added to the Special Education and Tuition Expendable Trust Fund created in 2000 pursuant to RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of either special education expenses or tuition expenses or both.

The resolution was seconded by Jenny Ramsey.

The vote by secret ballot on Article VII resulted in:

**YES 72**

NO 9

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

**ARTICLE VIII:** The Moderator recognized Ray Webb who offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 (Thirty thousand dollars), for the purpose of replacement of two floors at \$15,000 each with an Epoxy Urethane surface.

The resolution was seconded by Kate Whybrow.

The vote by secret ballot on Article VIII resulted in:

**YES 67**

NO 7

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

**ARTICLE IX:** The Moderator recognized Jenny Ramsey who offered the following resolution:

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 resolution was seconded by Mike Sutherland.

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

**ARTICLE X:** The Moderator recognized Kate Whybrow who offered the following resolution:

Resolved: To transact any other business that may come before this meeting.  
The resolution was seconded by Ray Webb.

Steve Taylor made a motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Steve Halleran.

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

Moderator Paul Franklin adjourned the School District meeting at 1:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

*Lisa Elder*  
School District Clerk



A view inside the kiln! (projects by students in grades 5-8)

**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES  
ELECTION MEETING – MARCH 13, 2018**

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The election of School District officials took place at the same time and place as the election of Town officials on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. Moderator Paul Franklin declared the meeting open at 8:00 AM 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 PM

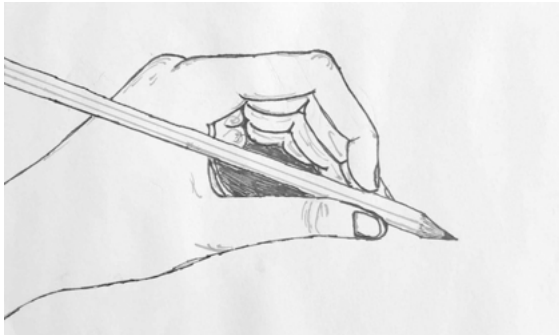
**ARTICLE I: Balloting results were as follows:**

**For School District Moderator (1 Year):**

<b>Paul Franklin</b>	<b>124</b>
Write In:	
Richard Rogers	<b>1</b>
<b>Elected: Paul Franklin</b>	

**For School District Clerk (1 Year):**

Write Ins:	
Lisa Elder	<b>27</b>
Michelle Marsh	<b>4</b>
Stephanie Berman	<b>3</b>
Andrea Keen	<b>2</b>
Amy Beaupre	<b>1</b>
Jim Taylor	<b>1</b>
Mike Williams	<b>1</b>
Dennis Girouard	<b>1</b>
Myra Ferguson	<b>1</b>
Matt Ferguson	<b>1</b>
Brian Bouchier	<b>1</b>
<b>Elected: Vacant</b>	



Isabel Brozen, seventh grade

**For School District Treasurer (1 Year):**

**Jeffrey C. Moore** **122**

Write Ins:  
Deb Beaupre 1  
Ruth Stalker 1

**Elected: Jeffrey C. Moore**

**Two For School Board (3 Years):**

**Mary (Beth) Houde** **119**  
**Michael Button** **107**

Write Ins:  
Myra Ferguson 1  
Chris Forman 1  
Richard Rogers 1  
Dennis Girouard 1  
Boone Rondeau 1

**Elected: Mary (Beth) Houde and Michael Button**

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Paul Franklin was sworn in by JOP, Michelle Marsh on 3/17/2018  
Michael Button was sworn in by School Moderator, Paul Franklin on 3/17/2018  
Mary “Beth” Houde was sworn in by JOP, Michelle Marsh on 3/21/2018  
Jeffrey Moore was sworn in by JOP, Michelle Marsh on 3/23/2018

Respectfully submitted,  
*Lisa Elder*  
Plainfield School District Clerk

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **Our Vision**

*PES is a community school that is committed to student growth and achievement through a rigorous education that reflects the New England values of sustainability, integrity, ingenuity, collaborative spirit and stewardship of the natural environment.*

### **Superintendent's Report**

#### **How are we doing and what have we accomplished?**

This has been a year of amazing progress at the Plainfield School District. School climate and morale has been very high and staff have been engaged in professional development activities that are forward thinking. This is happening as we embrace a "Future Ready" philosophy and make sustained progress toward a personalized, competency based approach to learning. We have also continued to develop the middle school program increasing the availability of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) activities. We are also actively investigating a more effective grade level, classroom structure to enhance learning and be as educationally effective and as efficient as we can. Our test scores remain some of the best in the state and are always above state averages. Parent satisfaction is very high, as measured on the parent surveys, with the school program. Every metric indicates growth and improvement.

We have new leadership in our Principal's Office and in our Director of Student Services Office. Effective leadership is demonstrated by the steady improvement of outcomes that directly affect children. In 2016, we conducted our first community survey and were shocked at the level of concern in the school community. The board has since supported curriculum changes, program revisions, and positive interventions for the improvement of climate and culture which have resulted in a very healthy culture, climate and positive school community. Our School Leadership team follows the principles of Distributive Leadership. They use practices to work closely with administrators in choosing appropriate programs, training protocols, and curriculum and instruction focus areas using research, local data, and decision-making protocols. We model this approach at the SAU level. Our recent surveys have shown vast improvement in the levels of parent and staff satisfaction and outcomes. While we are ecstatic about the progress, we still have work to do.

Over the last two and a half years, I have conducted a number of community meetings and surveys with parents, staff, and our seniors to engage in a conversation about the future of the district. The resulting draft of a Strategic Plan to publicly set our goals and directions for the next five years for the school is complete and will be available for comment at our District meeting. At that time I will provide a copy of the draft and a response form for additional feedback. The Strategic Plan addresses seven (7) focus areas. They are: Personnel, Student Growth, Culture and Climate, Technology, Facilities, Governance and Community. Each focus area is defined and contains strategic initiatives and action steps for their implementation over the next five years. Strategic plans can be extremely effective blueprints and guides for the future or they can be a complete waste of time. School boards and the community must agree on the content, direction, philosophy and beliefs that are contained in them. My hope is that our future boards will appreciate the work and level of input that went into the development of this plan, view it as a living document with annual updates on progress, and make changes as required. Working together this way we will keep the Plainfield School District as one of the finest in the State.

We are in our second year providing Administrative Services to the Cornish School District. Our first year was challenging with the complete set up of a new SAU from soup to nuts! It was a very successful year as we delivered high quality service in the Superintendent's, Student Services (Special Education) and Business Administration Offices. This has been a strong first step in realizing the objectives of the Plainfield- Cornish School Study that was completed in 2015 and chaired by Lee Lynd.

Our partnership with Norwich Technologies and Barrington Power has been working extremely well. Almost our entire electric demand is being met with solar power and saving us 5% over market value on every kilowatt used. The array also provides the school and community with a tremendous educational resource in alternative energy and environmentally friendly practices.

Our Plainfield children primarily attend Lebanon High School, home of the Raiders, or Kimball Union Academy, home of the Wildcats. They continue to excel and earn honors in academics, co-curricular activities and athletics. Our reputation as a high quality school with students performing at their highest ability continues to impress me as I visit area schools and communities. We are very proud of the work our faculty, staff and administrators do to support our children's success. Our receiving schools praise our students for their academic readiness, collaborative work skills, highly developed problem solving skills, and critical minds that are prepared to approach challenges and solve problems. Our athletes are highly competitive but also caring and exhibit the best in sportsmanship.

We are adopting the concept of being "Future Ready" as a school. Those words carry a great deal of expectation. Predicting the future needs of our children in this fast paced, technology based, global society is extremely difficult. Our curriculum is being redesigned to meet competencies rather than memorization and rote learning. We are supporting faculty and staff to facilitate individual student learning by guiding, coaching, and mentoring personalized, problem based, and collaborative instruction.

### **So, what lies ahead?**

Primarily, the most important work will be to continue to reinforce program work in curriculum and teaching. That will require the continued investment and support into teacher training, educational materials, and technology to support learning and the provision of a facility that will provide an environment that supports 21<sup>st</sup> Century Future Ready Learning. We should also look at the strengthening of the World Language Program and expand that into the lower grades, perhaps sharing a teacher with Cornish. Current levels of support for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment are reasonable and if continued should meet the needs we envision. Our student population has rebounded and stabilized for the near future. As a result our staffing should also remain stable at the current levels. Budgets should be fairly predictable moving forward.

As our society grows and develops and family needs change, the value of providing publically funded pre-school for three and four year olds has become an important option for schools and families. There is an abundance of research on the value of high quality preschool instruction when offered a minimum of 20 hours per week throughout the school year. Often this is accomplished through contracts with private providers, but more frequently now it has become a public school district offering. With the exception of Grantham (who is in the study phase of development) all of our neighboring districts are offering preschool. Preschool is educationally sound, highly desired by modern families and necessary for our community to be competitive in attracting new families to Plainfield. Our Strategic Plan will call for a feasibility study and needs assessment on preschool in its first year.

Cyber security is a new concern for schools. Over the last few years schools have been targeted with attacks that take the schools data and information systems hostage and then demand a ransom payment.

Student and staff identities have also been targeted. This year we approved a cyber security policy and we are currently in the process of developing a cyber security and identity theft prevention plan. This process will take two years to complete and is very complex.

Our two bond issues will retire soon, the first in 2021 (Roof and Heat) and the second in 2023 (Building Renovation). The work that was not done with these two efforts was primarily the renovation of the gym. Once work is started on that part of the building, it will require a complete renovation to bring the entire structure up to code. At the same time we know we have new facility needs in the main part of the building.

The required instructional changes to keep our building an optimal learning environment may require some redesigning of existing space, particularly in the  $\frac{3}{4}$  pod area,. The District also needs to consider a permanent home for the SAU offices, large and small flexible learning areas, a kitchen, cafeteria and a small performance space at the end of the gymnasium/multipurpose room. These exact needs are not yet determined. This year's budget has a \$10,000 item to complete a professional facility feasibility study, from an educational perspective, by outside consultants with this area of expertise and a "Yankee" mindset. That information will come back to the Facilities Committee for analysis and adaption to the "Plainfield Way" of approaching these types of major expenditures. Recommendations will eventually be made to the Board and then to the public if any action is taken. This will most likely be a 2023 bond conversation and vote.

All of these items are addressed in the Strategic Plan. Please provide your feedback so this can work can be finalized and the school board has a road map to guide their policy decisions.

Our world continues to change at an amazing rate. Global citizenship is not a choice, but a responsibility that requires rigorous and responsible approaches to education as we strive to give our students the best opportunities for learning to assure they are Future Ready. The task of providing this often seems to be a local one, but there are also state and federal responsibilities. Funding the future through education must become a State and Federal priority, not simply a local one. The disparity between the ability to educate children as measured by zip code is disheartening if not downright immoral. All of us need to be talking to our representatives at every level to fix the school funding issue once and for all. Local property taxes cannot sustain an adequate and equitable school system.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Superintendent for the last year. I will do my best to make sure that we do our best to assure that every child has the very best opportunity we can provide to accomplish our mission.

Respectfully,

**Frank Perotti**

Frank S. Perotti, Jr., Ed.D.  
Superintendent

### **Plainfield School District 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.*





### **Principal's Report**

On behalf of the Plainfield School Community, I am pleased to submit the 2018-2019 Plainfield School annual report.

In August, the Plainfield Elementary School hosted the Upper Valley Competency Summit to provide continuing education and networking opportunities to local educators. Administrators and teachers from Grantham, Cornish, and Lebanon joined with Plainfield educators and staff. Together, we learned more about the components of a student-centered, competency-based learning environment. As all New Hampshire schools move toward this model, our goal for 2019 is to create a curriculum section on our website and make available grade-span competencies in all areas of the core curriculum.

At the start of the school year, the Plainfield School Board welcomed our new and returning faculty and staff. We are fortunate to report five excellent professionals joined our staff including Kimberly Sleeper, School Nurse; Jessica Kondratowicz, 1st Grade Teacher; Emily Carey, 2nd Grade Teacher; and Michelle Doody, 2nd Grade Teacher. Andrea Keen joined our educational assistant team.

It is imperative to recognize the professional and support staff of Plainfield Elementary School. This group of professionals is intent on providing the best possible educational experience for the children of Plainfield. Their desire to continuously improve their teaching practices to meet the needs of the diverse group of students in their classrooms is commendable.

Throughout the year, our professional development continues with small teams learning and implementing quality performance assessments, Universal Design for Learning, and Habits of Success. Quality performance assessments are real-life scenarios to encourage a deeper understanding of concepts. Universal Design for Learning is a way for educators to plan curriculum, instruction, and assessment that considers multiple means of engagement, representation, and action and expression with the goal of helping each student become an expert in their learning process. Habits of Success articulate the key characteristics employers are seeking such as collaboration, perseverance, and reflection. These professional development sessions are enhancing our school goal to meet the changing needs of students, and the Plainfield community will hear more about these endeavors as part of developing strategic plan.

Every five years, school districts must submit an updated Professional Development and Evaluation Plan to the New Hampshire Department of Education. Last year the Professional Development Committee wrote a new plan, and this year it has been implemented. Teachers are now observing one another's classrooms and providing critical pedagogy feedback. For many years, teachers have taught in isolation. With this new practice in place, we are manifesting the realization that we are stronger together than alone.

The integration of technology, new programming and a clear focus for professional development will impact engagement, performance, and curriculum. Based on past practice regarding achievement and outcomes, we have struggled with math but continue to review, revise and seek input from other professionals to improve our results. Our math teachers have been piloting different instructional materials, and we are excited that we are close to a purchasing decision. The new materials will replace outdated materials from more than ten years ago and afford all math instructors time to receive current

professional development in math instruction. Next year, we will pilot reading and writing instructional materials as we continue with the six-year curriculum review plan.

Plainfield students in grades 3-8 took part for the second time in the State Assessment System. Our students performed better than the state average and provided us with some insight on preparation, curriculum, and instruction. If interested, additional information is available on the New Hampshire Department of Education’s website.

Spring 2018 State Assessment System Proficiency Results		
Subject Area	Plainfield Elementary School Proficient and Above	State of New Hampshire Proficient and Above
English Language Arts	71%	58%
Mathematics	60%	48%
Science	57%	42%

Despite the ever-increasing emphasis on academic growth and achievement in education, the staff at Plainfield Elementary School work to balance our approach by recognizing the importance of developing empathic and responsible citizens who will contribute to their community. For this reason, our Kindergarten devotes a significant amount of time to play. All learners K-4 get outside at least twice a day for recess, and grades five through eight enjoy a daily recess. Environmental education remains a key component of our school. Through nature play, the Four Winds program, and educators devoted to hands-on science, our students receive a strong foundation. The teachers make the most of our local resources including the school’s orchard, vegetable and herb garden, fields, along with the local stream and the fantastic Plainfield trail system.

At Plainfield school, one of our goals is to provide continued exposure to diverse experiences. Additional experiences include activities in theater, art, fall fun day, winter activities, spirit week, and a spring fun day with a focus on health and wellness. Our eighth-grade students also join the community in creating PES Pumpkin People every October.

To support and promote unified arts, our fifth-grade students participated in an educational program at the Hood Museum, and all grades attended theater productions related to the curriculum. Students in grades 6-8 had the opportunity to participate in an after-school drama club led by Samantha Green and Jeannie Hines. PES is partnering with Northern Stage this spring and students in grades three and four will perform a musical. Other in-the-field-learning experiences include field trips to Riverview Farm, Billings Farm, Cardigan hike, French’s Ledges hike, skating at Kimball Union, and the Hartford Career and Tech Center. This year students are displaying their artwork in the Meriden Library and will soon have their artwork on display at DHMC. Additional opportunities include Girls-on-the Run club, National Geographic GeoBee, Scripps National Spelling Bee, Lego League, Student Council, Math Team, Art Club, and the Cross-country Ski club. The fall participation numbers were strong for soccer and basketball, and we hope to field both a track and field team and baseball team this spring.

In addition to academic and enrichment opportunities, we strive to promote mental health and foster a growth mindset. Nurse Sleeper organized a flu clinic for staff and students, vision screening for all students, a visit from a dental agency. Our school nurse also creates monthly health-focused themes including addiction prevention, hydration, heart health, and sun safety. Sara Wilmot, our school counselor, leads weekly classes called H3 or Healthy Habits of Harmony. She also organizes a monthly parent book group and invites in speakers on topics such as sexual abuse prevention, cyber safety, and positive parenting.

A longstanding tradition at Plainfield School is giving back to the community. Students and families do this in a variety of ways. The Student Council organizes Veterans' Day and Memorial Day ceremonies, and all grades create Thanksgiving cards for local Veterans. With the support of Stephanie Schell, the entire school participates in creating centerpieces, cooking, serving, and providing entertainment for the annual Senior Luncheon. Additionally, the annual Thanksgiving tree offers an opportunity to support the local food pantry. During the holiday season, the 7th-grade students sell holiday cards, and the proceeds are also donated to the local food pantry. Connecting with and giving back to our local community fosters our school and community values and the whole child. Every spring we celebrate service learning as we honor town residents, Steve and Donna Beaupre, who have dedicated their lives to the children of this community.

Support from families is essential to the success of young learners, and we are fortunate to have an involved parent group. The Plainfield PTA is a fantastic organization! This group offers fun movie nights for our students, organized our first Annual 5K Trail Run, and is sponsoring a pilot Junior Achievement economic literacy program. We also thank the many supportive parents in our community who entrust us with their children each day.

I would be remiss if I did not give a shout out to the Town of Plainfield. Every day we rely on these individuals to keep our roads and community safe. We are grateful to all of the employees, volunteers, and local small businesses that are instrumental in keeping our building and grounds safe and secure.

In closing, I offer a special thanks to the entire School Administrative Unit 32 staff for their commitment to excellence, personal involvement, and dedication in providing all staff members and students with the necessary tools to create an environment where Learning for All truly can be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sondra Brake**

Sondra Brake

Principal



Duncan Green, eighth grade



Anya Rendahl, eighth grade

## **Director of Student Services Report**

Special Education in Plainfield provides for the needs of our students who have been identified with disabilities that affect their learning and/or life functions in a way that requires specialized instruction. These services allow for equity, access and equal opportunity among all students, allowing every child to grow to their full potential.

Every child who has been determined to be eligible for Special Education is entitled to a Free and Appropriate Public Education (F.A.P.E.), to be provided in the Least Restrictive Environment (L.R.E.) to meet their individual needs.

### **2018-19 Special Education Data**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Students with IEP's</b>
Preschool (age 3 - 5)	6 (includes out-of-district)
K - Grade 8	28 (includes out-of-district)
Grade 9 – Age 21	9 (includes out-of-district)

- Percent of PES students on IEPs: 13.3%
- NH State average in October of 2017: 16.3%

Other information:

- Number of out of district placements: 2
- Number of identified students receiving speech services at PES: 20
- Number of identified students receiving occupational therapy at PES: 8
- Number of identified students receiving physical therapy at PES: 2

The combined figure for Federal IDEA (\$51,454.20) and Preschool (\$2,429.67) grant funds available to supplement portions of the 2018-19 Special Education budget is: **\$ 53,883.87**, an increase of \$1,849.22 compared to 2017-18.

The number of children in Special Education has remained rather stable over time and we compare closely to the state averages for types of disabilities, programming and costs. Special Education in Plainfield will continue to be responsive to the needs of children with disabilities, and their families. I welcome your calls and inquiries, and can be reached at [adressler@plainfieldschool.org](mailto:adressler@plainfieldschool.org) or by calling (603) 469-3250.

Respectfully submitted,

***Amy M. Dressler***

Amy M. Dressler, M.B.A., M.Ed.  
Director of Student Services

## **SCHOOL BOARD REPORT 2019**

Plainfield Elementary School provides a vibrant learning environment for our 210 wonderful students. We are fortunate to have a dedicated and talented staff, a beautiful location, and we offer a diverse array of learning opportunities for our school community. Enrollment has increased slightly from last year and includes grades K-8 curriculum as well as music, physical education, art, health and many clubs and sports teams.

Our agenda at this year's School District Meeting is one of the simpler ones we have seen in recent years and includes:

- A budget that attempts to balance our community's commitment to quality education, our tax burden, and the diverse needs of our students, and
- A continuation of our school's floor replacement plan to improve the health of the learning environment

### **The Budget**

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

1. Develop a fiscally responsible budget that supports the quality education that Plainfield School District currently provides, supporting the board's vision.
2. Follow an open and transparent process which encourages community input.
3. Be innovative about staffing to match enrollments, providing staff development where necessary and appropriate.
4. Continue the practice of returning to the taxpayers an amount equal to any tuition surplus created in the budget.
5. Continue to maintain our school building to ensure a sound, healthy and safe learning environment for our students and staff.
6. Take advantage of ad-hoc funding opportunities, including grants or other shared funding.
7. Maintain fiscally responsible balances in our reserve accounts.

Guided by these principles, by input from the Finance committee, and from a public hearing, the administration and staff invested many hours of hard work over three months to arrive at a final expense budget. On January 17, 2019 the school board approved an expense budget of \$6,960,357 for FY 2019/20, a \$23,429 (.34%) increase over the current fiscal year budget.

As always, our district is faced this year with increases to the budget that are non-discretionary. These include increases in staff compensation as per the collective bargaining agreement approved last year. They also include costs within special education that are driven by individual student needs each year. We are fortunate this year to see a very small decrease in cost of overall benefits (medical, dental and retirement benefits).

After careful consideration, we have selected discretionary investments to support our school's long range plan to implement Competency Based Learning for our students, maintain our student access to appropriate technology in their learning, and to continue to support of our staff in curriculum adoption. These investments are detailed below.

Significant changes in the proposed 2019/20 budget (compared to 18/19 budget) include:

- \$42,000 increase in non-discretionary non-budgeted expenses from FY2018/19 that includes a special education out-of-district placement and additional special education transportation.
- \$57,000 increase in major non-discretionary expenses for FY19/20 that includes the collective bargaining agreement with staff approved last year.
- \$37,000 in new math and reading program curriculum adoption. This is partially offset by a \$17,000 reduction in regular education print materials
- \$10,500 increase in professional development to advance state mandated Competency-based Learning and to support new curriculum adoption.
- \$20,000 investment in technology equipment including Chrome books for the library and middle school students, iPads for grades K-2, and Promethium boards for some classrooms. This is largely offset by a reduction in technology equipment (due to lease maturation).
- \$29,000 increase in technology services contract due to a change in provider. This is partially offset by a reduction in the regular education salary line.
- \$15,000 increase in co-curricular which includes replacements for aged soccer goals, funding for baseball teams, and drama club enrichment.
- \$6,800 increase in music equipment.
- \$10,600 for a facility study that will help predict future enrollment and provide a detailed assessment of the facility with a focus on Competency-based learning.
- Approximate \$32,000 reduction in retiree payout this year over last year.
- \$5,000 decrease in benefits over all categories.

This year (FY 18/19) marks the second year we have contracted with Cornish SAU 100 to provide administrative work for their district. Thanks to the efforts of our Superintendent, our Special Services Director and our Financial Manager this has worked well for both districts. The contract will carry forward into FY19/20. As agreed, the expenses of the additional time and salary of these contracted positions are entirely offset in revenue from Cornish. This cooperation has no financial cost to the Plainfield School District.

State support for PES is more robust this year due to an increase in enrollment which boosted NH Adequacy Aid by \$91,000. Special Ed catastrophic Aid also increased by \$75,000 to partially offset out-of-district placements. Overall, non-tax revenue for FY19/20 is estimated to be \$122,839 more than last year.

On the final ledger (once all current year fund transfers are normalized), the proposed 2019/20 budget will require \$99,411 (1.77%) less from Plainfield tax payers than last year's budget (not including warrant articles for either year).

### **The Warrant Articles**

In addition to the budget, there is only one warrant article with monetary value this year.

#### Article III: Floor replacement (\$45,000)

This article authorizes the replacement of two areas of floor with epoxy urethane floors. We have been replacing the old floors over the last several years and this continues that process in a step-wise fashion. The older floors have significant moisture and odor issues. These new floors provide a durable and easy to clean floor surface and a moisture barrier to enhance the health and safety of the learning environment.

If both expense related warrant articles pass (Budget and Floors), the total approved expenditures would be \$7,005,357: \$68,429 more than all expense related warrant articles passed last year. Due to an increase in expected non-tax revenue, and if all warrants are passed, Plainfield Taxpayers would provide \$54,411 less than last year - which translates to  $-.04$  on the tax rate ( $-\$8.88$  of decreased taxes on a \$200,000 home).

The Plainfield School Board would like to recognize with immense gratitude the efforts given by the staff, the students, and our many volunteers to make Plainfield School what it is. Small schools have unique challenges and require flexibility and creative use of resources. Our Plainfield community has shown again and again that we can meet those challenges and support our students in their growth and learning.

Respectfully submitted,  
Plainfield School Board  
***Kate Whybrow, Chair***  
***Ray Webb, Vice Chair***  
***Jenny Ramsey***  
***Beth Houde***  
***Michael Button***



Kaleigh Ferri, second grade



Jack, second grade

## **PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT – BUDGET ANALYSIS**

### **2018-2019–**

We anticipate ending the 2018/2019 school year with a small surplus. As such, we have carried this amount over to the 2019/2020 proposed Revenue Sheet. It is the practice of the School Board to return to taxpayers some amount of tuition surplus (if any). We currently are not anticipating any high school tuition surplus for the fiscal year ending 2019.

### **2019-2020 Expenditures –**

Proposed expenditures for the 2019/2020 school year total \$6,960,357, an increase of \$23,429 (0.34%) over this year's total voted budget with warrants, \$6,936,929.

***\*\*This analysis does not include the amounts and effects of FY 20 proposed Warrant Articles, which if passed will increase the expense total.***

### **Highlights of the Budget are as follows:**

*Voter Approved 2018/2019 (Total Includes all Warrants voted)* **6,936,929**

#### ***Increases:***

<i>Regular Education (Salary, Benefit, Curriculum Adoption)</i>	<i>48,709</i>
<i>Special Education High School</i>	<i>6,000</i>
<i>Co-Curricular (Added Activities, Soccer Goals)</i>	<i>15,425</i>
<i>Guidance (Salary Benefit, Programming)</i>	<i>13,634</i>
<i>Health (Salary, Benefit)</i>	<i>22,334</i>
<i>Staff Development(Programming)</i>	<i>19,163</i>
<i>Library (Equipment)</i>	<i>2,007</i>
<i>Information Services (Contracted Service/Equipment)</i>	<i>30,454</i>
<i>School Board (Panorama Survey)</i>	<i>2,000</i>
<i>SAU Office (Providing Cornish Services – Offsetting Revenue)</i>	<i>29,731</i>
<i>Principal's Office (Salary, Benefit, Dues &amp; Fees)</i>	<i>12,850</i>
<i>Transportation (Special Education Service)</i>	<i>27,755</i>
<i>Transfer Food Service</i>	<i>770</i>

#### ***Subtotal Increases***

***+230,832***

#### ***Decreases:***

<i>Lebanon High School Tuition</i>	<i>27,415</i>
<i>Special Education (Contracted Services)</i>	<i>15,279</i>
<i>Federal Grants</i>	<i>300</i>
<i>Operation of Building</i>	<i>16,545</i>
<i>Food Service (Contract Change)</i>	<i>4,980</i>
<i>Debt Service (Principal &amp; Interest)</i>	<i>3,056</i>
<i>Transfer (Warrant Article Trust)</i>	<i>139,829</i>

#### ***Subtotal Decreases***

***< 207,404>***

#### ***Total Net Budget Increase***

***23,428***

#### ***Proposed 2019/2020 Budget (Excluding Additional Warrants)***

***6,960,357***



### **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 2019/2020 school year is set at \$15,917. This budget, as presented, projects 69 students attending LHS in September, compared to 72 projected students in 2018/2019.

### **SAU Operation-**

The Plainfield School Board will begin our third year of a three year Administrative Services Agreement with the Cornish School District, SAU100 which provides superintendent services as set forth in RSA 194-C:4 and provides other administrative services to their K-8 school. SAU32, Plainfield provides the following administrative services to SAU100:

- A Superintendent, 0.3 FTE with a minimum of one day on site in Cornish
- A Business Administrator, 0.4 FTE, two days on site in Cornish
- A Special Education Director, 0.3 FTE, with days on site to equal FTE hours and/or days
- A Food Service Coordinator – Stipend amount for the full year

This agreement was entered into on July 1, 2017 and ends June 30, 2020. This Administrative Services Agreement as contracted has Cornish paying Plainfield an annual amount for services rendered. Individuals in these roles remain Plainfield employees. The costs of services being provided are captured in the salary and benefit line items of the 2019/2020 SAU budget. Offsetting local revenue captures the Cornish School's payment to Plainfield for services rendered. Each school retains its own SAU designation and structure.

### **Operation of Building-**

In 2019/2020, this category shows decreases in all major categories outside of benefits and contracted services. During the 2020 school year, funding has been budgeted to complete a full study of the facility, its teaching spaces and areas utilized outside of regular academic instruction. The study will be completed by the New Hampshire School Administrators Association and when complete will recommend facility plans as the district implements movement toward future learning. In fiscal year 2019, the District was awarded a grant from the State of New Hampshire's Public School Infrastructure Fund, established in RSA 198:15-y. This project will add an outdoor camera system, speakers and horns for alert purposes around the outside perimeter of the facility and bollards in the front door section of the school. The reestablishment of the Facilities Committee has deeply contributed to the direction and long term strategic planning for building operation at Plainfield School. The overall line item for building operation will decrease \$16,545 for 2020, -4.98%.

### **2019/2020 Revenues -**

Non Tax Revenues are *estimated* to be \$1,437,483, which is an increase in revenue of \$122,839 over 2018/2019 budget. At this time, NH Adequacy Aid will be funded at an anticipated amount of \$719,358, an increase of \$91,171 over 2018/2019 levels. We anticipate receiving Kindergarten aid in the amount of \$28,000. We have budgeted special education aid from the State at an anticipated amount of \$225,234. We are also budgeted at the local level, a revenue amount of \$168,298 for the payment of SAU services being provided to SAU 100, Cornish School District.

**2019/2020 Bottom Line -**

Local tax dollars needed to support this effort decrease \$99,411 over the FY19 budget. The 2019/2020 estimated local tax effort of \$5,522,874 represents a -1.77% decrease over the 2018/2019 year's budgeted amount of \$5,622,285.

**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 Bierwirth*** – Business Administrator



Finn Stephens, first grade

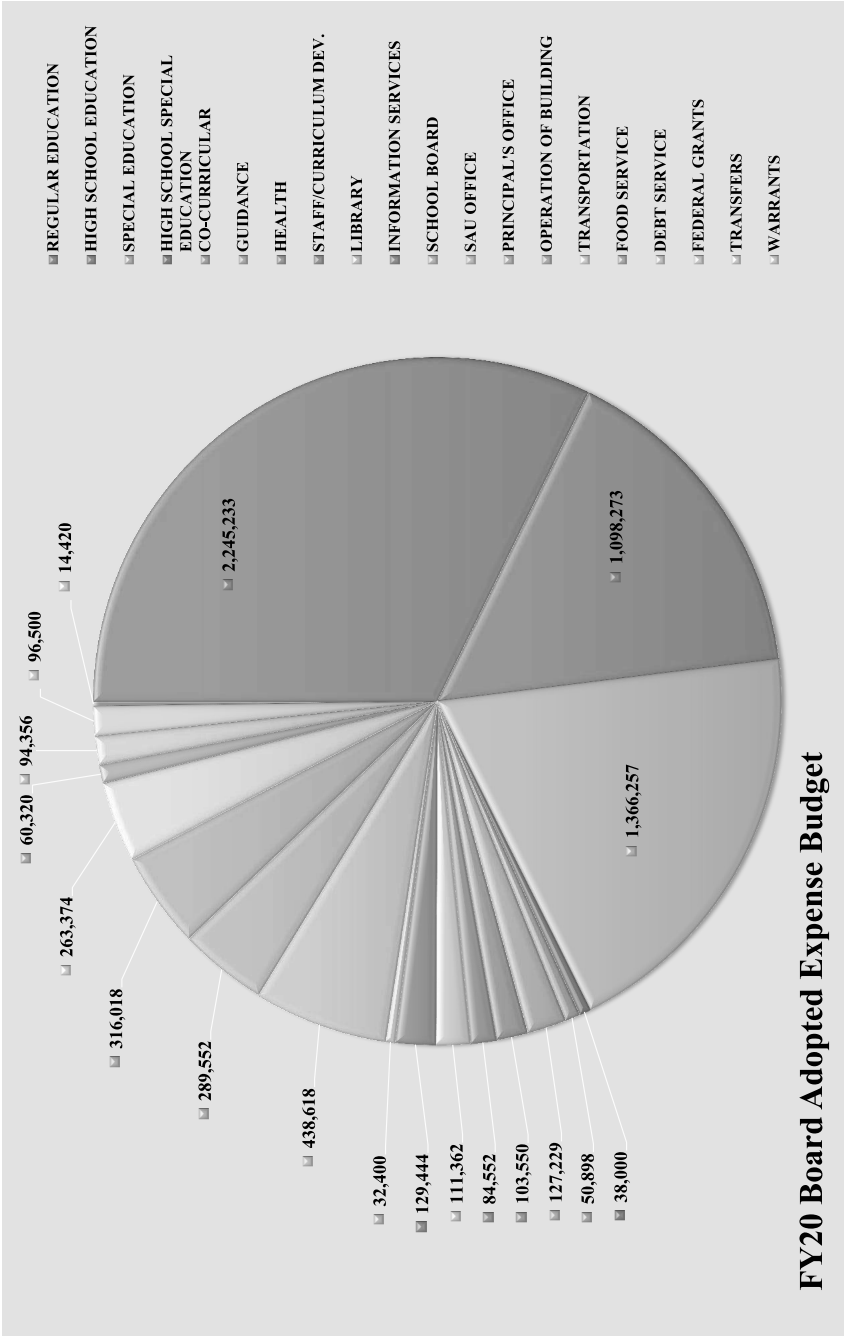


Lyla Darak, Kindergarten

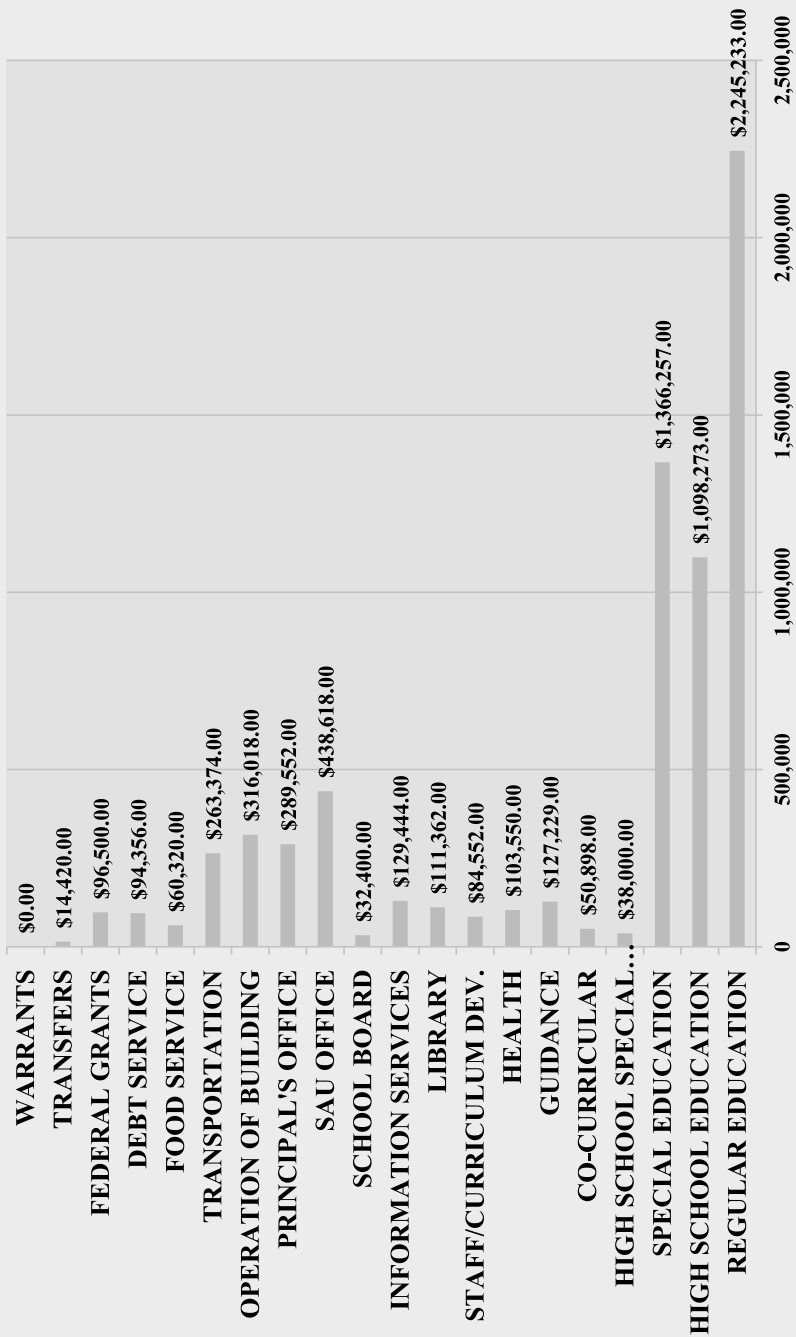
<b>PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT 2019-2020 PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENSE SUMMARY</b>							
<b>Category:</b>	<b>2017-2018</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>\$\$Increase</b>	<b>% Increase</b>	
	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>ESTIMATED</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	<b>or(Decrease) vs.</b>	<b>or(Decrease) vs.</b>	
		<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>2018/19 budget</b>	<b>2018/19 budget</b>	
<b>REGULAR EDUCATION</b>	3,256,957	3,322,211	3,358,959	<b>3,343,505</b>	21,294		0.64%
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>	1,214,122	1,413,536	1,380,366	<b>1,404,257</b>	(9,279)		-0.66%
<b>CO-CURRICULAR</b>	39,496	35,473	35,473	<b>50,898</b>	15,425		43.48%
<b>GUIDANCE</b>	89,798	113,595	115,197	<b>127,229</b>	13,634		12.00%
<b>HEALTH</b>	76,359	81,216	99,149	<b>103,550</b>	22,334		27.50%
<b>STAFF/CURRICULUM DEV.</b>	42,394	65,389	69,389	<b>84,552</b>	19,163		29.31%
<b>LIBRARY</b>	98,202	109,355	99,462	<b>111,362</b>	2,007		1.84%
<b>INFORMATION SERVICES</b>	62,505	98,990	98,990	<b>129,444</b>	30,454		30.76%
<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b>	30,446	30,400	30,400	<b>32,400</b>	2,000		6.58%
<b>SAU OFFICE</b>	399,974	408,886	408,886	<b>438,618</b>	29,732		7.27%
<b>PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE</b>	254,238	276,702	279,702	<b>289,552</b>	12,850		4.64%
<b>OPERATION OF BUILDING</b>	351,651	332,563	313,188	<b>316,018</b>	(16,545)		-4.97%
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	230,468	235,622	254,796	<b>263,374</b>	27,753		11.78%
<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>	67,261	65,300	68,098	<b>60,320</b>	(4,980)		-7.63%
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	100,263	97,413	99,663	<b>94,356</b>	(3,056)		-3.14%
<b>FEDERAL GRANTS</b>	68,758	96,800	96,800	<b>96,500</b>	(300)		-0.31%
<b>TRANSFERS</b>	30,814	13,650	23,447	<b>14,420</b>	770		5.64%
<b>Warrants</b>	50,000	139,828	50,000	<b>0</b>	(139,828)		-100.00%
<b>GEN.ED. SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>6,463,706</b>	<b>6,936,929</b>	<b>6,881,965</b>	<b>6,960,357</b>	<b>23,429</b>		0.34%
<b>FY20 Warrant Proposed*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>45,000</b>		
<b>TOTAL Proposed EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>6,463,706</b>	<b>6,936,929</b>	<b>6,881,965</b>	<b>7,005,357</b>	<b>68,429</b>		0.99%

\*Informational Only

**FY20 Board Adopted Expense Budget 1/17/19**



FY20 Board Adopted Expense Budget 1-17-19



# FY 20 Expense Budget Board Adopted - January 17, 2019

	2014-2015 Total Year ACTUAL	2015-2016 Total Year ACTUAL	2016-2017 Total Year ACTUAL	2017-2018 Total Year Actual	2018-2019 Approved BUDGET	2018-2019 Estimate ACTUAL	2019-2020 Proposed Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 Budget	2019-2020 \$S Increase 18/19 ACTUAL (EST)	2019-2020 % Incr. Over 18-19 Budget
1- REGULAR INSTRUCTION - 1100										
Teacher Salaries	\$ 1,254,740	\$ 1,223,555	\$ 1,172,027	\$ 1,264,974	\$ 1,217,831	\$ 1,220,315	\$ 1,239,810	\$ 21,979	\$ 19,495	1.80%
Retiree Payout				\$ 67,990	\$ 71,667	\$ 71,667	\$ 39,078	\$ (22,590)	\$ (22,590)	-45.47%
Retiree Benefit				\$ 17,004	\$ 17,924	\$ 17,924	\$ 9,945	\$ (7,979)	\$ (7,979)	-44.51%
Ed Assistant Salaries	\$ 23,739	\$ 27,865	\$ 22,553	\$ 29,745	\$ 20,958	\$ 21,641	\$ 22,954	\$ 1,996	\$ 1,313	9.52%
Tutors	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Substitutes	\$ 37,962	\$ 17,970	\$ 20,643	\$ 22,542	\$ 31,500	\$ 31,500	\$ 31,500	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Employee Benefits	\$ 540,952	\$ 576,754	\$ 623,049	\$ 683,080	\$ 732,560	\$ 707,826	\$ 757,041	\$ 24,481	\$ 49,216	3.34%
Contracted Services	\$ 16,899	\$ 15,966	\$ 17,152	\$ 10,366	\$ 12,600	\$ 12,600	\$ 11,800	\$ (800)	\$ (800)	-6.35%
Contracted Services 504										0.00%
Equipment Repair	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Supplies	\$ 25,556	\$ 26,133	\$ 24,298	\$ 26,960	\$ 37,110	\$ 37,110	\$ 26,787	\$ (10,323)	\$ (10,323)	-27.82%
Print Materials	\$ 967	\$ 2,892	\$ 3,109	\$ 4,095	\$ 22,442	\$ 22,442	\$ 37,402	\$ (6,603)	\$ (6,603)	-29.42%
Curriculum Adoption	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,402	\$ 37,402	\$ 37,402	0.00%
Software	\$ 7,537	\$ 14,088	\$ 9,351	\$ 7,788	\$ 13,977	\$ 13,977	\$ 14,981	\$ 1,014	\$ 1,014	7.26%
New/Replacement Equipment	\$ 200	\$ 978	\$ 2,349	\$ 726	\$ 1,835	\$ 1,835	\$ 8,656	\$ 6,821	\$ 6,821	371.71%
Furniture	\$ 2,894	\$ 9,476	\$ -	\$ 1,422	\$ 1,619	\$ 1,619	\$ 4,121	\$ 2,502	\$ 2,502	154.54%
Dues & Fees	\$ 11,131	\$ 9,942	\$ 9,563	\$ 11,979	\$ 13,500	\$ 13,500	\$ 23,310	\$ 9,810	\$ 9,810	72.67%
Sub Total Regular Instruction K-8	\$ 1,922,576	\$ 1,925,620	\$ 1,904,074	\$ 2,148,935	\$ 2,196,523	\$ 2,174,955	\$ 2,245,232	\$ (27,419)	\$ 70,277	2.22%
Tuition Lebanon High School	\$ 1,110,733	\$ 1,188,090	\$ 1,145,654	\$ 1,108,022	\$ 1,125,688	\$ 1,184,004	\$ 1,098,273	\$ (27,415)	\$ (85,731)	-2.44%
Total Regular Instruction K-12	\$ 3,033,309	\$ 3,113,710	\$ 3,049,728	\$ 3,256,957	\$ 3,322,211	\$ 3,358,959	\$ 3,343,505	\$ 21,294	\$ (15,454)	0.64%
2- SPECIAL EDUCATION - 1200										
Teacher Salaries	\$ 263,720	\$ 187,879	\$ 135,801	\$ 110,292	\$ 126,198	\$ 116,482	\$ 121,933	\$ (4,265)	\$ 5,451	-3.38%
Ed Assistant Salaries	\$ 256,139	\$ 179,211	\$ 215,933	\$ 221,653	\$ 267,583	\$ 268,526	\$ 270,609	\$ 3,026	\$ 12,084	1.13%
Extended Year	\$ 8,860	\$ 12,893	\$ 2,212	\$ 5,697	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Substitutes	\$ 11,719	\$ 14,604	\$ 13,880	\$ 20,866	\$ 15,750	\$ 15,750	\$ 15,000	\$ (750)	\$ (750)	-4.76%
Employee Benefits	\$ 303,735	\$ 293,417	\$ 288,755	\$ 269,091	\$ 349,455	\$ 321,558	\$ 299,739	\$ (49,716)	\$ (21,819)	-14.23%
Contracted Services	\$ 73,837	\$ 108,549	\$ 130,515	\$ 153,735	\$ 142,500	\$ 150,000	\$ 155,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 5,000	8.77%
Tuition	\$ 78,842	\$ 261,174	\$ 312,361	\$ 391,670	\$ 461,000	\$ 461,000	\$ 461,000	\$ 4,344	\$ 20,000	4.34%
Legal	\$ 1,733	\$ 4,031	\$ 130	\$ 297	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Supplies	\$ 3,479	\$ 340	\$ 807	\$ 2,543	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,300	\$ 2,000	\$ 700	\$ 700	53.85%
Books	\$ 369	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,921	\$ 1,921	\$ 1,921	0.00%
Software	\$ 123	\$ 192	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 400	0.00%
Testing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	200.00%
Equipment	\$ 248	\$ -	\$ 414	\$ 465	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ 155	\$ (95)	\$ (95)	-37.95%
Furniture	\$ -	\$ 586	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
New/Replacement Computers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Dues/Fees/Travel	\$ 2,904	\$ 1,741	\$ 2,805	\$ 2,053	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Sub Total Special Education K-8	\$ 1,005,708	\$ 1,064,718	\$ 1,103,613	\$ 1,178,362	\$ 1,381,536	\$ 1,342,366	\$ 1,366,257	\$ (15,279)	\$ 23,891	-1.11%
Life Skills Coach HS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 766	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Contracted Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
High School Special Education Tuition	\$ 41,499	\$ 18,466	\$ 73,743	\$ 35,760	\$ 32,000	\$ 38,000	\$ 38,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	-18.75%
Sub Total Special Education 9-12+	\$ 41,499	\$ 18,466	\$ 74,509	\$ 35,760	\$ 32,000	\$ 38,000	\$ 38,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	18.75%
Total Special Education K-12	\$ 1,047,207	\$ 1,083,184	\$ 1,178,122	\$ 1,214,122	\$ 1,413,536	\$ 1,380,366	\$ 1,404,257	\$ (9,279)	\$ 23,891	-0.66%

**FY 20 Expense Budget Board Adopted - January 17, 2019**

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	2014-2015 Total Year ACTUAL	2015-2016 Total Year ACTUAL	2016-2017 Total Year ACTUAL	2017-2018 Total Year Actual	2018-2019 Approved BUDGET	2018-2019 Estimate ACTUAL	2019-2020 Proposed Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 ACTUAL (EST)	2019-2020 % Incr. Over 18-19 Budget
<b>6 - STAFF/CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT - 2210</b>										
Stipends	\$ 500	\$ 3,075	\$ 12,178	\$ 5,436	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	33.33%
Curriculum Work	\$ 2,160	\$ -	\$ 1,471	\$ 2,556	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	66.67%
Benefits	\$ 547	\$ 759	\$ 3,305	\$ 2,442	\$ 3,589	\$ 3,589	\$ 3,652	\$ 63	\$ 63	1.76%
Substitutes	\$ 418	\$ 681	\$ 2,126	\$ 6,411	\$ 2,500	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,500	\$ (500)	140.00%
Staff Development-Teachers	\$ 3,594	\$ 9,685	\$ 6,766	\$ 12,068	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Staff Development-Support Staff	\$ 1,969	\$ 718	\$ 810	\$ 1,195	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,400	\$ (400)	\$ (400)	-14.29%
Prof. Dmp-College Coursework	\$ 5,905	\$ 6,915	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 500	\$ 500	7.14%
Staff Training Workshops	\$ 6,285	\$ 12,651	\$ 16,124	\$ 9,019	\$ 28,500	\$ 28,500	\$ 39,000	\$ 10,500	\$ 10,500	36.84%
Professional Development Software	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Staff Travel	\$ 281	\$ 336	\$ 54	\$ 88	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	0.00%
Supplies/Resource Books	\$ 1,771	\$ 171	\$ 652	\$ 179	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 500	\$ 500	25.00%
Total Staff/Curric Development	\$ 23,430	\$ 34,992	\$ 50,486	\$ 42,394	\$ 65,389	\$ 69,389	\$ 84,552	\$ 19,163	\$ 15,163	28.31%
<b>7 - LIBRARY - 2220</b>										
Teacher Salaries	\$ 37,889	\$ 38,968	\$ 41,156	\$ 49,818	\$ 54,331	\$ 65,767	\$ 69,457	\$ 15,126	\$ 3,690	27.84%
Ed Assistant Salaries	\$ 19,109	\$ 22,820	\$ 24,216	\$ 22,436	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Employee Benefits	\$ 44,683	\$ 40,535	\$ 62,469	\$ 16,501	\$ 41,928	\$ 20,597	\$ 22,682	\$ (19,244)	\$ 2,085	-45.90%
Contracted Services/Fees	\$ 1,919	\$ 1,038	\$ 1,933	\$ 1,175	\$ 2,333	\$ 2,333	\$ 2,333	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Supplies	\$ 1,015	\$ 837	\$ 1,473	\$ 220	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 900	\$ (500)	\$ (500)	-50.00%
Books	\$ 5,239	\$ 6,780	\$ 5,859	\$ 7,142	\$ 7,950	\$ 7,950	\$ 7,950	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Software	\$ 1,212	\$ 1,540	\$ 850	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 1,450	\$ 950	\$ 950	190.00%
Equipment/Technology	\$ 111	\$ 190	\$ 1,527	\$ 594	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 6,800	\$ 5,800	\$ 5,800	580.00%
Dues/Fees	\$ 730	\$ 73	\$ -	\$ 315	\$ 315	\$ 315	\$ 190	\$ (125)	\$ (125)	-39.68%
Total Library	\$ 111,906	\$ 112,789	\$ 138,503	\$ 98,202	\$ 109,355	\$ 99,462	\$ 111,362	\$ 2,007	\$ 11,900	1.84%
<b>8 - INFORMATION SERVICES - 2124</b>										
Supplies	\$ 629	\$ -	\$ 562	\$ 47	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Software	\$ 25	\$ 6,393	\$ 2,700	\$ 380	\$ 1,470	\$ 1,470	\$ 7,250	\$ 5,780	\$ 5,780	393.20%
New/Replacement Equipment	\$ 6,244	\$ 2,332	\$ 2,226	\$ 6,007	\$ 3,250	\$ 3,250	\$ 17,015	\$ 13,765	\$ 13,765	423.54%
New/Replacement Computer/Network Equipment	\$ 712	\$ -	\$ 11,719	\$ 21,059	\$ 37,500	\$ 37,500	\$ 18,384	\$ (19,116)	\$ (19,116)	-50.98%
Contracted Services	\$ 120,277	\$ 68,391	\$ 48,387	\$ 35,012	\$ 56,070	\$ 56,070	\$ 85,410	\$ 29,340	\$ 29,340	52.33%
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,680	\$ -	\$ 298	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	\$ 500	100.00%
Dues/Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185	\$ 185	\$ 185	0.00%
Total Information Services	\$ 129,566	\$ 77,116	\$ 65,892	\$ 62,505	\$ 98,990	\$ 98,990	\$ 129,444	\$ 30,454	\$ 30,454	30.76%





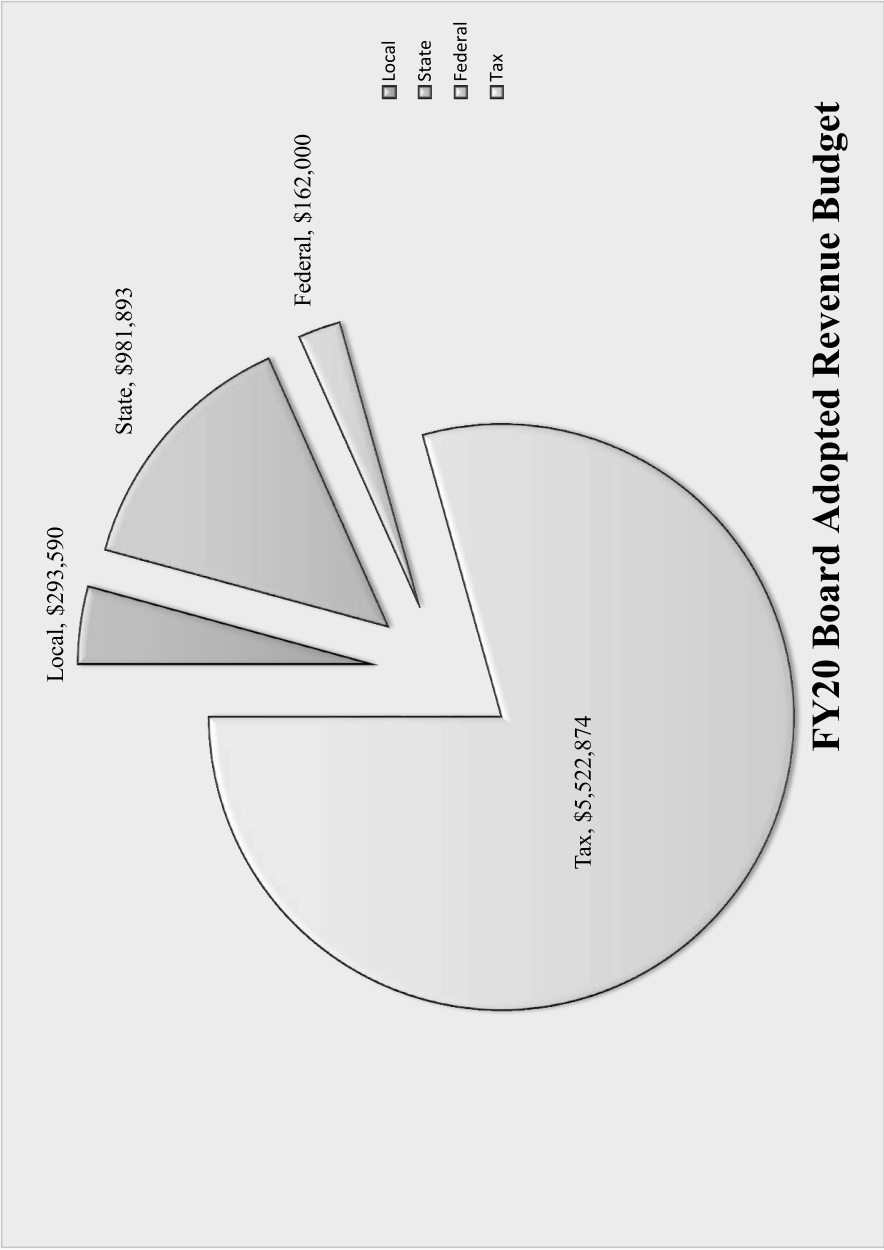
FY 20 Expense Budget Board Adopted - January 17, 2019												
	2014-2015 Total Year ACTUAL	2015-2016 Total Year ACTUAL	2016-2017 Total Year ACTUAL	2017-2018 Total Year Actual	2018-2019 Approved BUDGET	2018-2019 Estimate ACTUAL	2019-2020 Proposed Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 ACTUAL (EST)	2019-2020 % Incr. Over 18-19 Budget		
11 - PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE - 2400												
Administrative Salaries	\$ 85,715	\$ 98,760	\$ 97,760	\$ 85,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 93,600	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600	4.00%		
Assistant to the Principal Salary	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
Office/Secretarial Salaries	\$ 63,198	\$ 65,385	\$ 71,410	\$ 62,394	\$ 75,887	\$ 75,887	\$ 86,159	\$ 10,271	\$ 10,271	13.54%		
Employee Benefits	\$ 52,122	\$ 82,014	\$ 107,310	\$ 91,720	\$ 91,714	\$ 91,714	\$ 94,604	\$ 2,890	\$ 2,890	3.15%		
Contracted Services	\$ 9,137	\$ 9,387	\$ 5,717	\$ 6,307	\$ 8,400	\$ 8,400	\$ 2,913	\$ (5,487)	\$ (5,487)	-65.32%		
Telephone	\$ 3,815	\$ 5,257	\$ 4,655	\$ 1,354	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200	\$ 1,200	\$ (4,000)	\$ (4,000)	-76.92%		
Postage	\$ 2,717	\$ 2,069	\$ 2,654	\$ 2,397	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,200	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
Printing	\$ 876	\$ 1,775	\$ 1,002	\$ 469	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
Travel	\$ 798	\$ 563	\$ 954	\$ 388	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,250	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
Supplies	\$ 1,558	\$ 1,097	\$ 1,132	\$ 1,180	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
Books	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 407	\$ 407	\$ 407	0.00%		
Software	\$ 300	\$ 889	\$ 340	\$ 549	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	0.00%		
Equipment	\$ 1,246	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
Furniture & Fixtures	\$ 2,491	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
New Computers & Networking Equip	\$ 1,163	\$ 3,288	\$ 3,011	\$ 2,428	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,669	\$ 3,669	\$ 669	0.00%		
Dues & Fees	\$ 226,136	\$ 271,483	\$ 297,945	\$ 254,238	\$ 276,702	\$ 279,702	\$ 289,552	\$ 12,850	\$ 9,850	4.64%		
Total Principal's Office												
12 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - 2410												
Medical Insurance	\$ 557,854	\$ 557,854	\$ 688,751	\$ 710,194	\$ 802,095	\$ 745,645	\$ 738,492	\$ (63,603)	\$ (7,153)	-7.93%		
Dental Insurance	\$ 59,017	\$ 40,593	\$ 46,817	\$ 45,223	\$ 53,182	\$ 52,600	\$ 55,007	\$ 1,815	\$ 2,407	3.41%		
Life & AD&D Insurance	\$ 6,956	\$ 7,854	\$ 5,646	\$ 8,239	\$ 8,182	\$ 8,026	\$ 8,430	\$ 248	\$ 404	3.03%		
Disability Insurance	\$ 12,290	\$ 15,119	\$ 11,062	\$ 15,907	\$ 15,794	\$ 15,494	\$ 16,271	\$ 477	\$ 777	3.02%		
Flex Plan Administration	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
F.I.C.A.	\$ 182,985	\$ 172,093	\$ 164,752	\$ 189,166	\$ 190,918	\$ 187,312	\$ 194,147	\$ 3,229	\$ 6,835	1.69%		
Retirement	\$ 266,656	\$ 195,041	\$ 251,966	\$ 310,686	\$ 313,833	\$ 307,991	\$ 345,482	\$ 31,649	\$ 37,491	10.68%		
Workers' Comp Insurance	\$ 9,098	\$ 7,296	\$ 10,780	\$ 11,931	\$ 11,170	\$ 10,898	\$ 12,127	\$ 957	\$ 1,229	8.57%		
Annuities	\$ 37,286	\$ 52,825	\$ 37,938	\$ 44,720	\$ 42,593	\$ 40,983	\$ 62,653	\$ 20,060	\$ 21,670	47.10%		
Unemployment Comp Insurance	\$ 108	\$ 2,568	\$ 12,706	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%		
Subtotal Employee Benefits	\$ 1,133,250	\$ 1,052,243	\$ 1,231,417	\$ 1,337,071	\$ 1,438,777	\$ 1,369,949	\$ 1,433,609	\$ (5,168)	\$ 63,661	-0.36%		
Transfer to Other Functions	\$ 1,133,250	\$ 1,052,243	\$ 1,231,417	\$ 1,337,071	\$ 1,438,777	\$ 1,369,949	\$ 1,433,609	\$ (5,168)	\$ 63,661	-0.36%		
Net Total Employee Benefits												

FY 20 Expense Budget Board Adopted - January 17, 2019										
	2014-2015 Total Year ACTUAL	2015-2016 Total Year ACTUAL	2016-2017 Total Year ACTUAL	2017-2018 Total Year Actual	2018-2019 Approved BUDGET	2018-2019 Estimate ACTUAL	2019-2020 Proposed Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 ACTUAL (EST)	2019-2020 % Incr. Over 18-19 Budget

FY 20 Expense Budget Board Adopted - January 17, 2019											
	2014-2015 Total Year ACTUAL	2015-2016 Total Year ACTUAL	2016-2017 Total Year ACTUAL	2017-2018 Total Year ACTUAL	2018-2019 Approved BUDGET	2018-2019 Estimate ACTUAL	2019-2020 Proposed Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 Budget	2019-2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 ACTUAL (EST)	2019-2020 % Incr. Over 18-19 Budget	
<b>16- FOOD SERVICES - 3100</b>											
Salaries	\$ 14,629	\$ 14,972	\$ 15,767	\$ 326	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Employee Benefits	\$ 1,119	\$ 1,276	\$ 1,206	\$ 25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Contracted Services	\$ 34,162	\$ 33,647	\$ 28,895	\$ 54,350	\$ 62,300	\$ 59,500	\$ 56,820	\$ (5,480)	\$ (4,320)	-8.80%	
Repairs/New Equipment	\$ 342	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,083	\$ 1,900	\$ 14,911	\$ 2,000	\$ 500	\$ (12,911)	33.33%	
Transportation	\$ 9,180	\$ 7,803	\$ 7,803	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Supplies	\$ 4,449	\$ 5,310	\$ 5,213	\$ 477	\$ 1,500	\$ 687	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 813	0.00%	
Total Food Service	\$ 63,881	\$ 65,008	\$ 58,986	\$ 67,261	\$ 65,300	\$ 66,998	\$ 66,320	\$ (4,980)	\$ (7,778)	-7.85%	
<b>17 - DEBT SERVICE - 5100</b>											
Principal	\$ 90,815	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Interest	\$ 17,998	\$ 20,688	\$ 17,838	\$ 15,263	\$ 12,413	\$ 14,663	\$ 9,356	\$ (3,056)	\$ (5,307)	-24.62%	
Interest BAN/Bond (Estimated)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Contracted Debt Service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Total Debt Service	\$ 108,813	\$ 105,688	\$ 102,838	\$ 100,263	\$ 97,413	\$ 99,663	\$ 94,356	\$ (3,056)	\$ (5,307)	-3.14%	
<b>18 - TRANSFERS - 5200</b>											
Capital Outlay - Building Improvement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Trans. from General Ed. Spcl	\$ 40,000	\$ 139,819	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Trans. from General Ed. Spcl	\$ 23,340	\$ 25,666	\$ 27,675	\$ 30,815	\$ 13,650	\$ 23,448	\$ 14,420	\$ 770	\$ (9,028)	5.64%	
Trans. Food Service	\$ -	\$ 39,246	\$ 34,065	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Encumber & Payable	\$ 63,340	\$ 204,722	\$ 121,740	\$ 30,815	\$ 13,650	\$ 23,448	\$ 14,420	\$ 770	\$ (9,028)	5.64%	
Total Transfers	\$ 126,680	\$ 369,443	\$ 283,480	\$ 61,630	\$ 27,300	\$ 46,896	\$ 28,840	\$ 19,596	\$ (32,704)	-24.26%	
<b>SUB TOTAL GENERAL ED EXPENDITURES K-12</b>	\$ 5,866,967	\$ 6,195,519	\$ 6,267,567	\$ 6,413,707	\$ 6,797,101	\$ 6,831,965	\$ 6,960,357	\$ 163,257	\$ (34,864)	2.40%	
<b>19- Other</b>											
FY18 Warrant III - Learning Commons	\$ -	\$ 61,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Warrant CBA - PEAPSSA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,828	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (59,828)	\$ -	-100.00%	
Warrant Terrazzo Flooring	\$ 40,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (30,000)	\$ -	0.00%	
Transfer SB Benefit Trust	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	
Transfer SB Tuition (FY18 Warrant)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ (50,000)	\$ (50,000)	-100.00%	
Total Other	\$ 40,000	\$ 111,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 139,828	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ (139,828)	-100.00%	
<b>TOTAL GENERAL ED EXPENDITURES K-12</b>	\$ 5,906,967	\$ 6,307,219	\$ 6,267,567	\$ 6,463,706	\$ 6,936,929	\$ 6,881,965	\$ 6,960,357	\$ 23,429	\$ (78,391)	0.34%	
<b>* Bond 1-Roof &amp; Heat - \$330,000</b>											
<b>* Bond 2-Building Renovation \$515,000</b>											
<b>Trust Funds</b>											
Building Maintenance Reserve Fund											
Special Payable Expendable Fund											
Special Tuition Fund											
Ending Balance June 30, 2017											
Deposit During FY18 Fiscal Year											
Withdrawal During Fiscal Year											
Interest Earned During Fiscal Year											
Current Balance											
Addition from FY19 Warrant											
<b>Estimated Balance Year End 19</b>											
<b>GOAL</b>											

# FY20 Revenue Budget Board Adopted - January 17, 2019

	2014/2015 Total Year Actual	2015/2016 Total Year Actual	2016/2017 Total Year Actual	2017/2018 Total Year Actual	2018/2019 Official MS-24	2018/2019 Estimate ACTUAL	2019/2020 Proposed BUDGET	2019/2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 Budget	2019/2020 \$\$ Increase 18/19 ACTUAL (EST)	2019/2020 % Incr. Over 18/19 Budget
<b>LOCAL SOURCES:</b>										
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ 223,363	\$ 215,816	\$ -	\$ 136,773	\$ 124,665	\$ 124,665	\$ 59,372	\$ (65,294)	\$ (65,293)	-52.38%
Interest Income	\$ 1,079	\$ 1,946	\$ 1,893	\$ 4,614	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 500	125.00%
Food Service Revenues	\$ 29,668	\$ 27,291	\$ 21,580	\$ 29,877	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 38,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	8.57%
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Tuition Revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer in Food Service	\$ 18,523	\$ 25,666	\$ 27,645	\$ 30,815	\$ 22,900	\$ 25,698	\$ 14,420	\$ (8,480)	\$ (11,278)	-37.05%
Transfer from Reserve Funds	\$ -	\$ 171,765	\$ 37,733	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer from Bld Maint Reserve Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,267	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transfer from Capital Trust	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Deficit/Supplemental Approp	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Capital Project Bond	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Local SAU Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 140,936	\$ 149,000	\$ 149,000	\$ 168,298	\$ 19,298	\$ 19,298	12.95%
Other (Includes Local Grants)	\$ 114,659	\$ 12,171	\$ 73,149	\$ 23,413	\$ 9,345	\$ 9,345	\$ 9,000	\$ (345)	\$ (345)	-3.69%
Total Local	\$ 387,293	\$ 504,656	\$ 184,268	\$ 416,428	\$ 342,910	\$ 347,708	\$ 293,590	\$ (49,321)	\$ (54,118)	-14.38%
<b>STATE SOURCES:</b>										
NH Adequacy Grant	\$ 669,468	\$ 686,396	\$ 653,020	\$ 627,629	\$ 628,087	\$ 628,087	\$ 719,258	\$ 91,171	\$ 91,171	14.52%
NH Building Aid	\$ 13,834	\$ 10,502	\$ 10,502	\$ 9,002	\$ 9,002	\$ 9,002	\$ 9,002	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Catastrophic Aid	\$ 11,471	\$ 11,788	\$ 122,221	\$ 170,394	\$ 150,572	\$ 150,572	\$ 225,234	\$ 74,662	\$ 74,662	49.59%
Child Nutrition	\$ 696	\$ 574	\$ 492	\$ 433	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,006	\$ 26,873	\$ 26,783	\$ 28,000	\$ 1,127	\$ 1,217	4.19%
Total State	\$ 695,470	\$ 709,260	\$ 786,235	\$ 811,464	\$ 814,934	\$ 814,944	\$ 981,893	\$ 166,959	\$ 167,049	20.49%
<b>FEDERAL SOURCES:</b>										
Federal Grant Programs	\$ 74,506	\$ 94,782	\$ 76,757	\$ 67,480	\$ 96,800	\$ 96,500	\$ 96,500	\$ (300)	\$ -	-0.31%
OEP Capital Improvement Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Child Nutrition	\$ 10,492	\$ 9,476	\$ 9,138	\$ 7,331	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 500	\$ 500	7.14%
Medicaid	\$ 39,598	\$ 60,173	\$ 69,727	\$ 57,676	\$ 53,000	\$ 53,000	\$ 58,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	9.43%
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total Federal	\$ 124,596	\$ 164,430	\$ 155,622	\$ 132,487	\$ 156,800	\$ 156,500	\$ 162,000	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,500	3.32%
<b>TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES</b>	<b>1,207,359</b>	<b>1,378,346</b>	<b>1,126,125</b>	<b>1,360,380</b>	<b>1,314,644</b>	<b>1,319,052</b>	<b>1,437,483</b>	<b>122,839</b>	<b>118,431</b>	<b>9.34%</b>
Property Tax Dollars Needed	4,915,424	4,928,872	5,282,554	5,227,991	5,622,285	5,622,285	5,522,874	(99,411)	(99,411)	-1.77%
<b>TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET</b>	<b>6,122,783</b>	<b>6,307,218</b>	<b>6,408,679</b>	<b>6,588,371</b>	<b>6,936,929</b>	<b>6,941,337</b>	<b>6,960,357</b>	<b>23,428</b>	<b>19,020</b>	<b>0.34%</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>6,122,783</b>	<b>6,307,218</b>	<b>6,408,679</b>	<b>6,588,371</b>	<b>6,936,929</b>	<b>6,941,337</b>	<b>6,960,357</b>	<b>23,428</b>	<b>19,020</b>	<b>0.34%</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>5,906,967</b>	<b>6,307,219</b>	<b>6,271,906</b>	<b>6,463,706</b>	<b>6,936,929</b>	<b>6,881,965</b>	<b>6,960,357</b>	<b>23,428</b>	<b>76,391</b>	<b>0.34%</b>
<b>SURPLUS OR (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>215,816</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>136,773</b>	<b>124,665</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,372</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-59,372</b>	<b>0.00%</b>



**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:		2.8700%	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**  
**2017/2018 SCHOOL YEAR**

7/1/2017	Balance Mascoma Savings	229,614.00
7/1/2017	Balance NH Public Investment Pool	54,972.01
7/1/2017	Subtotal	284,586.01
	 *Total Expenditures (7/1/17 through 6/30/18)	 6,303,291.98
	*Total Receipts (7/1/17 through 6/30/18)	6,427,956.98
	Fund Balance	124,665.00
6/30/2018	Balance Mascoma Savings	17,903.74
6/30/2018	Balance NH Public Investment Pool	191,560.15
6/30/2018	Total Cash Available	209,463.89

\*General Fund

Respectfully submitted,

***Jeffrey Moore***  
School Treasurer



Annella Marsh, fifth grade

## **PLAINFIELD ENROLLMENT – OCTOBER 1, 2018**

<b>GRADE</b>	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>

Subtotal                      112              96              208

Home Study Students:    6              6              12

**TOTAL Enrollment including Home Study:    220**

### **PLAINFIELD SCHOOL** **CLASS OF 2018**

**Abbie Baker**  
**Alex Baker**  
**Maya Barnett**  
**Dylan Budner**  
**Toby Cromwell**  
**Colbie Delisle**  
**Sam Ellingson**  
**Phoebe Garfield**  
**Luke Green**  
**Zoey Houde-Crane**  
**Anna Illsley**

**Indigo Kopp**  
**Piers Legare**  
**Ella Longacre**  
**Noah Mekus**  
**Hailey Proulx**  
**Caroline Sheehan**  
**Jackson Stone**  
**Kayla Taber**  
**Jillilan Williams**  
**Sebastian Yates**

## **PLAINFIELD SCHOOL RECOGNITION AWARDS 2018**

TEACHERS' AWARD: **Noah Mekus**

CORY TABER AWARD: **Kayla Taber**

PTO CITIZENSHIP AWARD: **Anna Illsey & Abigail Baker**

EXCELLENCE IN ART: **Piers Legare**

GROBE-REISCH SPORTSMANSHIP: **Colbie Delisle**

GARIPAY-BEAUPRE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE: **Ella Longacre & Kayla Taber**

PRESIDENT'S EDUCATION AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: **Indigo Kopp, Kayla Taber, Ella Longacre**

PRESIDENT'S EDUCATION AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: **Abigail Baker, Alexander Baker, Maya Barnett, Dylan Budner, Phoebe Garfield, Zoey Houde-Crane, Anna Illsley, Hailey Proulx, Caroline Sheehan**

THE HERBERT E. WARD MEMORIAL ESSAY CONTEST:

1<sup>st</sup> place: **Indigo Kopp** – “Sustainable Energy”

2<sup>nd</sup> place: **Kayla Taber** – “Equal Pay for Everyone”

3<sup>rd</sup> place: **Caroline Sheehan** – “Terrorism in the USA”

Honorable Mention: **Maya Barnett** – “Changing School Gun Violence”

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



Rachel Follensbee, seventh grade

## **KIMBALL UNION ACADEMY 2017-2018**

### **Plainfield Residents**

#### **Grade 9**

Sean Donoghue  
Emma McGonigle  
Lukas Ricci

Ian Schell  
Matthew Sites

#### **Grade 10**

Molly Beaupre  
Carlton Cassedy  
Andrew Hadlock  
Jacob Hyjek  
Patrick Hyjek  
Catherine Mackey  
Willa McGough  
Haley McNamara

Alexandra Parsons  
Kyra Russman-Araya  
Carson Strew  
James Surgenor  
Max van Dijk  
Zachary Whitehead  
Nick Wilder

#### **Grade 11**

Catherine Beaupre  
Noah Farnsworth  
Elias Jaynes  
Trey Parker

Jonathan Schafer  
Kelsey Walker  
Kyle Young

#### **Grade 12**

Halle Clark  
Jay Cogan  
Colleen Donoghue  
Alicia Goodwin

Gavin McGough  
Taylor Sheehan  
Natalie Whitehead



Finola Shields, sixth grade

## **LHS TUITION STUDENTS 2017-18**

### **Grade 9**

Griffin Adams  
Eleri Clifton  
Andrew Duany  
Audrey Elder  
Eloise Hampton

Preston Hewett  
Keira Hines  
Joseph McGranaghan  
Grace Perotti

Hunter Robb  
Toni Ta  
Olivia Taylor  
Aidan Yates

### **Grade 10**

Ryan Baker  
Celia Barnett  
Emily Brady  
Kelsey Carney  
David Cassidy  
Charles Chamley

Jonathan Cloud  
Ella Falcone  
Will Forman  
Teagan Goodwin  
Natham Laflam  
Bret Lamadeleine

Samuel Lappin  
Nathan Magari  
Kyah Mekus  
Audrey Perotti  
Anthony Perriello  
Samuel Twarog

### **Grade 11**

Valkyrie Alden  
Jared Audette  
Shane Balise  
Sarah Ball  
Devin Benson  
Hannah Budner  
Paul Daugherty  
Michael Downs

Marley Dube  
Joseph Dupree  
Hannah Falcone  
Grace Godfrey  
Caleb Hazelton  
Gwen Ouellette  
Pedro Izquierodo  
Annika Pixley

Trent Porter  
Jonathan Sandmann  
Matteo Serraglia  
Libby Stone  
Ashlyn Taber  
Benjamin Taylor  
Devan Williams  
Anna Wolke

### **Grade 12**

Lindsay Anikas  
Samantha Brady  
Kaitlin Chamley  
Kevin Dion  
Allison Duany  
Fiona Greenough

Cecilia Hampton  
Owen Johnstone  
Elizabeth Jones  
Cameron Magari  
Kathleen Merchant

Kimberly Merchant  
Zachary Petrin  
Luke Sandmann  
Nathan Twarog  
Cecilia Webber

## **LHS UNDERGRAD AWARDS NIGHT**

In May 2018, LHS students in grades 9, 10, and 11 were recognized for their academic achievements during 2017-2018. 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 3.80.

**Grade 9:** Andrew Duany, Eloise Hampton, Hunter Robb, Olivia Taylor

**Grade 10:** Emily Brady, Ella Falcone, Nathan Magari, Audrey Perotti, Samuel Twarg

**Grade 11:** Sara Ball, Hannah Budner, Jonathan Sandmann, Anna Wolke

**Grade 12:** Samantha Brady, Fiona Greenough, Elizabeth Jones, Cameron Magari, Kathleen Merchant, Kimberly Merchant, Nathan Twarog, Cecilia Webber

**HONORS:** Student has earned at least a C+ in all courses taken throughout the school year and has received a G.P.A. of 3.0-3.79.

**Grade 9:** Griffin Adams, Audry Elder, Preston Hewett, Keira Hines, Grace Perotti, Toni Ta

**Grade 10:** Ryan Baker, Ceclia Barnett, Kelsy Carney, David Cassedy, Charles Chamley, Jonathan Cloud, Will Forman, Brett Lamadeleine, Samuel Lappin, Anthony Periello

**Grade 11:** Valkrie Alden, Shane Balise, Devin Benson, Paul Daugherty, Marley Dube, Joseph Dupree, Hannah Falcone, Pedro Izquierdo, Gwen Ouellette, Annika Pixley, Matteo Serraglia, Ashlyn Taber, Benjamin Taylor

**Grade 12:** Lindsay Anikis, Kaitlyn Chamley, Kevin Dion, Allison Duany, Cecilia Hampton, Zachary Petrin, Luke Sandmann

### **AWARDS**

THE CLARKSON UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

**Hannah Falcone**

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

BOOK AWARD

**Hannah Budner**

THE WELLESLEY COLLEGE BOOK AWARD

**Anna Wolke**

THE YALE BOOK AWARD

**Jack Sandmann**

SUBJECT/DEPARTMENT AWARDS:

English 10 Award

**Brett Lamadeleine**

American Studies Honors

**Anna Wolke**

The Pythagoras Award for Engagement, Creativity

And Effort

**Ashlyn Taber**

LIFE SCIENCE AWARD

**Samuel Lappin**

**Jack Sandmann**

PHYSICAL SCIENCES AWARD

**Nathan Magari**

SOCIAL STUDIES US HISTORY AWARD

**Hanna Budner**

BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY AWARDS

Personal Finance

**Charles Chamley**

Investing

**Joseph Dupree**

Computer Programming

**Caleb Hazelton**

CHORAL MUSIC: All State Awards

**Ella Falcone**

HARTFORD AREA CAREER & TECHNOLOGY

CENTER RECOGNITION

**Annika Pixley**

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD RECOGNITION

**Nathan Magari**

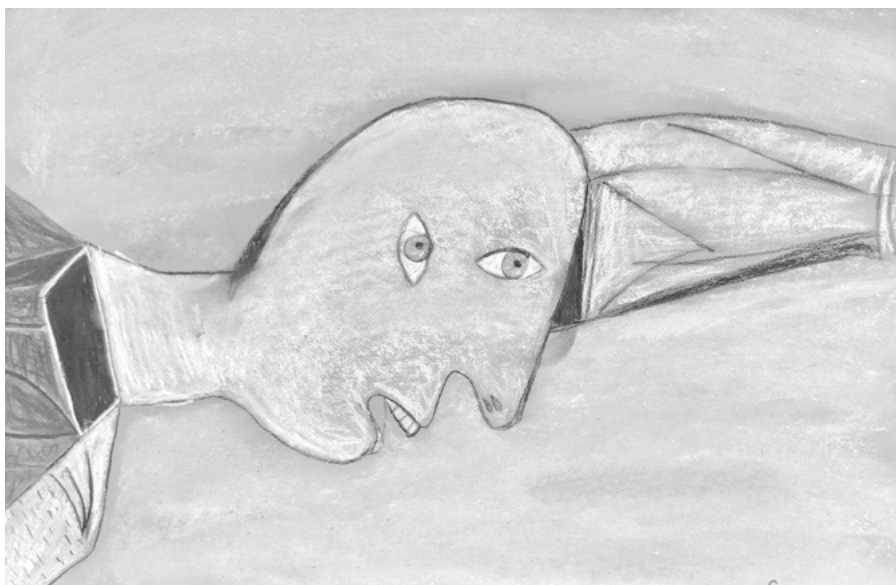
MODEL UNITED NATIONS RECOGNITION

**Jack Sandmann  
Hannah Falcone  
Valkyrie Alden**

**2017-2018 PLAINFIELD MEMBERS OF THE LEBANON CHAPTER OF THE  
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

**Seniors:** Kimberly Merchant, Co-President; Kathleen Merchant, Vice President; Zachary Petrin, Treasurer; Samantha Brady, Allison Duany, Fiona Greenough, Cecilia Hampton, Cameron Magari, Cecilia Webber.

**Juniors:** Sarah Ball, Devin Benson, Hannah Budner, Joseph Dupree, Hanna Falon, Jack Sandmann, Libby Stone, Ashlyn Taber, Anna Wolke.



Study of Picasso's *Guernica* by Svia Russman-Araya, seventh grade

# **AWARDS CONFERRED ON THE LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL**

## **CLASS OF 2018**

The following awards were presented to Plainfield student graduates at the Lebanon High School Senior Awards Ceremony at the Lebanon Opera House in June 2018.

<b>Salutatorian of the Class of 2018</b>	Cecilia Webber
<b>Commencement Ceremony Master of Ceremonies</b>	Luke Sandmann
<b>Class Marshal</b>	Jack Sandmann
<b>President's Award for Scholastic Excellence</b>	Samantha Brady, Cecilia Hampton, Cameron Magari, Kathleen Merchant, Kimberly Merchant, Zachary Petrin, Nathan Twarog, Cecilia Webber.
<b>Presidential Award for Educational Achievement</b>	Allison Duany, Fiona Greenough, Elizabeth Jones, Luke Sandmann
<b>The NASSP American Citizenship Award</b>	Fiona Greenough
<b>National Merit Commended Student Program</b>	Samantha Brady, Kimberly Merchant
<b>School Council</b>	Allison Duany
<b>Dollars for Scholars Scholarship</b>	Allison Duany, Owen Johnstone, Kathleen Merchant, Kimberly Merchant
<b>Excellence in Art</b>	Fiona Greenough, Elizabeth Jones, Cameron Magari, Kathleen Merchant
<b>Society of Women Engineers Recognition</b>	Samantha Brady, Highest Honor
<b>Mathematics Award</b>	Cecilia Webber, Honor
<b>Physical Education Award</b>	Cameron Magari
<b>Choral Music Award</b>	Luke Sandmann
<b>All State Music Festival Award</b>	Fiona Greenough
<b>Louis Armstrong Jazz Musician Award</b>	Fiona Greenough
<b>Patrick S. Gilmore Band Award</b>	Kimberly Merchant
<b>Mathilda M. Ernst Science Award</b>	Kathleen Merchant
<b>US Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award</b>	Cameron Magari
<b>Lebanon Rotary Club Scholarship</b>	Samantha Brady
<b>Plainfield Parent Teacher Organization Award</b>	Kimberly Merchant
<b>Friends of Philip Read Memorial Library Award</b>	Samantha Brady, Kathleen Merchant, Kimberly Merchant
<b>Alton Brown Memorial Award</b>	Samantha Brady
<b>Sharon Ann Link Memorial Scholarship</b>	Owen Johnstone, Cecilia Webber
<b>William J. English Memorial Award</b>	Fiona Greenough
<b>Lebanon Women's Club Award</b>	Fiona Greenough
<b>The Oberkotter Foundation Scholarship</b>	Cecilia Hampton
<b>Red River Computer Charitable Foundation Scholarship</b>	Elizabeth Jones
<b>The WISE Not In Our House Scholarship</b>	Kaitlin Chamley
<b>Young Entrepreneurs Scholarship</b>	Zachary Petrin, Nate Twarog
<b>Youth in Action Award</b>	Samantha Brady





**Plainfield School District  
2018-2019 Teachers/Professional Staff**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Date of Hire</b>	<b>College</b>
Bierwirth	Beth	Business Manager	8/24/2004	B.S. Granite State College; S.F.O., MLD Granite State College
Boardman	Kelly	Teacher-Math	1/9/2017	B.S. Granite State College
Brake	Sondra	Principal	7/1/2017	B.A. Granite St. College, MA Antioch University
Bridge	Viki	Media Specialist	8/25/2017	B.A. University of NH, M.Ed Plymouth State College
Cairns	Elisabeth	Teacher-Special Education	8/25/2017	B.A. Hanover College, M.Ed S. NH University
Cantlin	Mary	Teacher-Technology Integrator/Math	8/23/1992	B.A., B.S. Marietta College; M.Ed. Keene State College
Carey	Emily	Teacher-Grade 2	8/21/2018	B.A. Bates; M.Ed Leslie University
Culligan	Jennifer	Teacher-Grade 3/4	8/24/2015	B.A., Montclair State Univ, M.Ed. Lyndon State
Doody	Michelle	Teacher-Grade 2	8/21/2018	B.S. Colby-Sawyer College
Dressler	Amy	Director, Student Services	1/22/2018	M.Ed. Castleton State College
Feid	Brandon	Teacher-P.E./Athletic Director	8/26/2002	B.S. University of New Hampshire
Frederick	Jennifer	Teacher-Middle School	8/25/2017	B.S. & MA Allegheny College,
Knight	Laura	Teacher-Grade 1	8/6/1984	B.S. Cornell University; M.S. Wheelock College
Kondratowicz	Jessica	Teacher-Grade 1	8/21/2018	B.S. State University at Oneonta; M.S State University at Albany
Lizotte	Jennifer	Teacher-Reading & Curriculum	8/25/2014	B.S. Keene State College; M.Ed S. NH University
Manheimer	Renee	Teacher-Spanish	8/26/2016	M.S. Plymouth State College
Martel	Zoe	Teacher-Music	8/24/2015	B.A., University of NH
Maslan	Kathleen	Teacher-Kindergarten	11/8/1999	B.S. Keene State College
Mathis	Alexandra	Teacher-Art	8/25/2014	B.F.A. Univ. of N. H.; M.F.A. Rhode Island School of Design
O'Reilly	Kelly	Teacher-Special Education	4/26/2011	B.S. College of Saint Joseph; M.Ed. Southern N.H. Univ.
Parker	Amanda	Teacher-Middle School	8/25/2017	B.A. Notre Dame College; MA Plymouth State College
Perotti	Frank	Superintendent	7/1/2015	B.S. Cornell Univ; M.S. University of NB; Ph.D., Columbia Univ. Teacher's College
Piano	Mary	Teacher-Math Specialist	8/26/2002	B.S. Keene State College; M.Ed. Plymouth State College
Scofield	Leslie	Teacher-Grade 5	8/24/2015	B.A. and B.S and MA Walla Walla College
Sheehan	James	Teacher-Middle School	3/7/1994	B.A. Wesleyan University
Sleeper	Kimberly	School Nurse	8/21/2018	B.S. University of NH
Spratt	Laura	Teacher-Grade 3/4	8/29/2005	B.S. University of Iowa; M.S. Drake University
Taber	Melinda	Teacher-Grade 3/4	8/25/1997	B.S. University of New Hampshire; M.Ed. UNH
Wilmot	Sara	School Counselor	8/25/2017	B.A. Johnson State College, M.Ed Plymouth State College

**Plainfield School District  
2018-2019 Support Staff**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Date of Hire</b>	<b>College</b>
Beloin	Linda	Educational Assistant	4/26/2005	Certified Para II
Boynnton	Emily	Educational Assistant	2/10/2017	BA Bates College; M.Ed. Keene State
Casedy	Ruth	Educational Assistant	8/25/2014	B.S. Univ of NH; M.S. Univ of N.E.; A.S.D Specialty, Antioch NE
Danen	Christine	Educational Assistant	8/28/2017	BS University of PA
Downs	Janna	Custodian	8/28/2006	Certified Para II
Elder	Lisa	Administrative Assistant	7/3/2017	BA University of NH
Goodrow	Fawn	Educational Assistant	9/12/1997	B.S. Merrimack College
Goodwin	Naomi	Educational Assistant	8/26/2009	B.S. Plymouth State College
Gradijan	Lisa	Administrative Assistant	5/27/2008	A.A. Granite State College
Jacobson	Catherine	Educational Assistant	1/29/2018	
Keen	Andrea	Educational Assistant	8/28/2018	B.A. George Washington University; M.Ed Union Institute and University
LeBrun	Lynn	Administrative Assistant	11/5/2014	A.A. and Plymouth State College
McPherson	Heidi	Educational Assistant	12/15/2015	A.S. Mt. Ida College; B.S. Keene State College
Noyes	Hillary	Educational Assistant	8/29/2017	Attended NH Technical College
Stone	Leah	Custodian	2/20/2017	
Warren	Robin	Educational Assistant	8/28/2007	B.S.N. Alfred Univ; M.Ed. Plymouth State Univ
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.*

PES Vision Statement – 2-15-18

*PES is a community school that is committed to student growth and achievement through a rigorous education that reflects the New England values of sustainability, integrity, ingenuity, collaborative spirit and stewardship of the natural environment.*

.....  
**What these words mean to us:**

A **community school** is important as a core institution in our town. We value its independence and our local control. Our school is welcoming to all members of our community, provides a center for community activities, nurtures each of our students equally, and fosters a sense of belonging for each of our students.

A **commitment to student growth and achievement** begins with a student-centered curriculum which promotes intellectual curiosity, global awareness and an appreciation of diversity. It supports differentiated instructional strategies and individualized learning goals which meet the social, emotional, and academic needs of our students. It embraces evolutionary changes in goals, curriculum, and strategies which improve student outcomes.

A **rigorous** education is defined by quality, not quantity. Every student is continuously challenged to think creatively as well as analytically, to grow personally, and to achieve according to his/her potential.

**Sustainability** - Plainfield School embraces a broad theme of sustainability that includes: our physical plant that is energy efficient and well maintained, a sound financial footing and organizational structure that flexes with student needs, and a commitment to promoting a healthy, sustainable lifestyle in our students including the knowledge and tools to pursue this end.

**Integrity** involves honest and open communication between and among students, staff, administration, school board, and community. Integrity involves an awareness of self and of the impact of one's actions. Integrity involves owning one's successes and failures.

**Ingenuity** is the ability to meet student needs through the creative use of school and community resources. Innovation, academic creativity, and thoughtful experimentation are modeled by staff and are supported by the administration and community.

**Collaborative spirit** refers to shared goals and ideas, open mindedness, and the assumption of good intentions from all parties who are working together: students, parents, staff, administration, school board, and community members. Collaborative spirit involves an opportunity for participation and compromise. It recognizes that we are stronger together than alone.

**Stewardship of the natural environment** is fostered by utilizing our unique outdoor space for learning, for physical activity, for reflection. We strive for students to understand the interconnectedness of ourselves and our environment, to learn respect for ourselves and for other lives, and to gain an appreciation for the scientific foundations of our living world.

2/14/2018

## **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, Sondra Brake; Title VI, VII and 504 Coordinator, Sara Wilmot.

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.

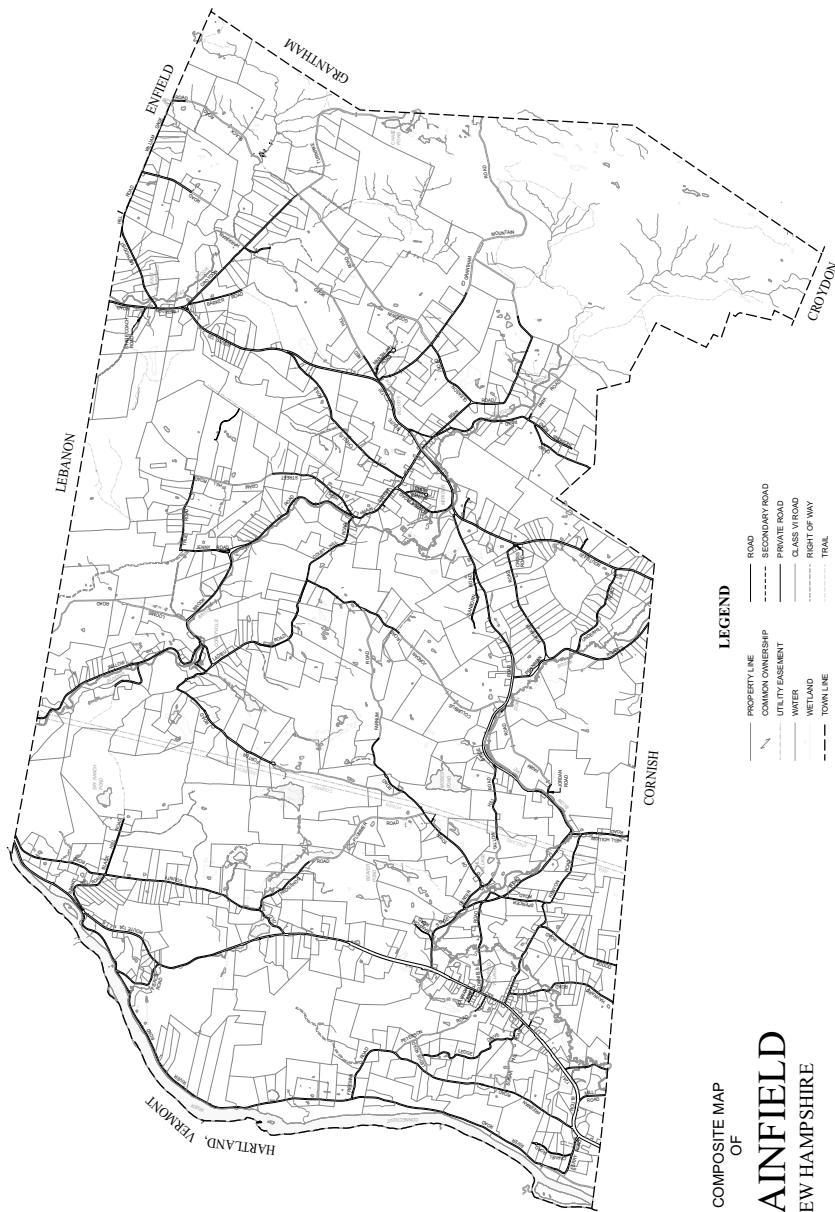
If you are a parent of, or know of a child age 3-21, who you feel may have an educational disability, please contact the School Principal or Director of Student Services at 603-469-3250. SAU #32 will provide free screening and evaluation of any child referred to them. Students found eligible for special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

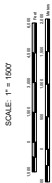
Parents have the right to review the educational records of their children, as guaranteed by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

## **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 **\$53,883.87** in FY 2019. 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 July of 2018. Delivery of the services proposed is contingent upon the approval of the application and the actual receipt of funds.



COMPOSITE MAP  
OF  
**PLAINFIELD**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE



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| PROPERTY LINE    | ROAD           |
| COMMON OWNERSHIP | SECONDARY ROAD |
| UTILITY EASEMENT | PRIVATE ROAD   |
| WATER            | CLASS V ROAD   |
| WETLAND          | RIGHT OF WAY   |
| DAIRY LINE       | TOWN LINE      |

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