## 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 14th 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 Selectboard member for three years, one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, One Library Trustee for three years, one Cemetery Trustee for three years, one Cemetery Trustee for two years and any other necessary town officers.

You are further notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Saturday, the 18th of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,254,618 to defray town charges for the 2017 fiscal year. The Selectboard proposes the following budget:

1. Executive	\$200,887
2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics	15,330
3. Financial Administration	68,100
4. Revaluation of Property	12,000
5. Legal Expenses	14,000
6. Personnel Administration	8,500
7. Planning and Zoning	1,000
8. General Government Buildings	17,025
9. Cemeteries	28,100
10. Insurance	50,500
11. Regional Associations	6,100
12. Police Department	387,796
13. Ambulance Service	30,500
14. Fire Departments -Plainfield	55,000
-Meriden	44,500
15. Building Inspection	8,900
16. Emergency Management	250
17. Hydrant & Forest Fire Expense	4,100
18. Dispatching for Fire, Police & Ambulance	31,000
19. Highway Administration	18,050
20. Highways and Streets	686,738
21. Road Projects	115,956
22. Street Lights	12,000
23. Solid Waste Collection	163,000
24. Solid Waste Disposal	51,810
25. Health Agencies	18,485
26. Animal Control	500
27. Welfare	10,000
28. Recreation Commission	19,000
29. Library Department	148,266
30. Patriotic	1,000

31. Conservation Commission		500
32. Principal Long-term debt		25,000
33. Interest Long-term debt		725
G	Total:	\$2,254,618

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

**ARTICLE 3** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$167,500 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.
\$50,000	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 31:19a funds:	
\$10,000	Town Hall Repair Fund established in 1996.
\$2,500	Library Building Repair Fund established in 1992.

The Selectboard 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 Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

- **ARTICLE 4.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to continue the restoration of the stone entryway into the Plainfield Plain Cemetery. The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.
- **ARTICLE 5.** To see if the town will vote to increase the real estate exemption on dormitories, dining rooms, and kitchens of Kimball Union Academy above the required \$150,000 as allowed in RSA 72:23, to fifty (50) percent of the assessed value of property over which the town has statutory discretion.
- **ARTICLE 6.** To see if the town will direct the Selectboard to appoint a committee to continue the KUA/Plainfield study. The charge to this committee shall be to meet with representatives of the KUA administration and maintain an ongoing review of the relationship between the academy and the town, including any agreement pursuant to RSA 72:23, and to report its findings at next March's annual town meeting.
- **ARTICLE 7.** To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a finance committee (advisory only) of six Plainfield voters to advise the Selectboard and other officers of the town in the prudential affairs of the town.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town of Plainfield will adopt the Philip Read Memorial Library as the town's one public library building supported by the Town of Plainfield's tax appropriations. The result being that the Meriden Public Library building will no longer have funds raised and appropriated by property tax dollars for the building's maintenance and operation as of March 17<sup>th</sup> 2018. Article by Petition.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to continue the Meriden Library/Meriden Village Study Committee established in 2016 for the ensuing year

**ARTICLE 10.** Resolved, that the Town of Plainfield through the FERC relicensing process, has been presented with information on the Connecticut River. If it is shown that there is a causal relationship between the operation of the Wilder Dam by the TransCanada Corporation or subsequent owners resulting in deterioration of the riverbank and attendant roads and farmland, it is recommended that the Town of Plainfield formally request that TransCanada or subsequent owners modify current dam operations and create a mitigation fund to reimburse towns and landowners for any and all damages

**ARTICLE 11.** To see what action the town will take with respect to the reports of town officers.

**ARTICLE 12.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Signed,

Ron Eberhardt

Judith A. Belyea

Robert W. Taylor Plainfield Selectboard