

WARNING FOR TOWN MEETING

Plainfield, Vermont

March 1, 2016

The legal voters of the Town of Plainfield are hereby notified and warned to meet at Plainfield Town Hall Opera House, 18 High Street, on Tuesday, the first day of March 2016 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to transact the following business and to vote by Australian ballot from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Article 1.

Art. 1 To elect all necessary officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectboard, Lister, Auditor, Collector of Delinquent Taxes, Town Grand Juror, Town Law Agent, Cemetery Commissioner, and School Director.

Polls are open 9:00A.M. to 7:00P.M.

Art. 2 To hear reports of Town Officers and act on same.

Art. 3 Shall the Town establish a Flood Mitigation reserve fund for future flood repair and mitigation costs?

Art. 4 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$8,333.00 as its share of the seventh year cost of commuter bus service along Route 2 with service into Montpelier? This appropriation funds a portion of the total cost of the service, which will also be supported by appropriations from other towns, State and Federal funds, and rider fares.

Art. 5 Shall the Town establish a reserve fund for street plantings and other environmental improvement projects using funds raised by the Plainfield Conservation Commission?

Art. 6 Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditures for the following not-for-profit service agencies as recommended by the appointed Social Concerns Committee?

Central VT Adult Basic Education	\$ 500.00
Capstone (Central VT) Comm. Action	\$ 500.00
Circle/BWSS	\$ 525.00
Central VT Home Health Hospice	\$ 2,700.00
Family Center of Wash County	\$ 475.00
Friends of the Winooski River	\$ 250.00
Good Beginnings of Central VT	\$ 300.00
Green Mountain Transit Agency	\$ 786.00
Home Share Now	\$ 300.00
Onion River Foodshelf	\$ 1,000.00
People's Health and Wellness	\$ 750.00
Sexual Assault Crisis Team	\$ 50.00
Twinfield Learning Center	\$ 400.00

Twinfield Together Mentoring	\$ 250.00
Twin Valley Senior Center	\$ 2,000.00
VT Center for Independent Living	\$ 225.00
Washington Cty Court Diversion	\$ 250.00
Washington Cty Youth Service Bureau	\$ 325.00
 Total	 \$11,586.00

Art. 7 Shall the Town voters authorize an appropriation of \$36,000.00 to the Cutler Memorial Library to pay for the librarian and the purchase of books and materials to support the mission of the library?

Art. 8 To see what amount of money the Town will vote to pay for Water and Wastewater Departments for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

Art. 9 To see what amount of money the Town will vote to pay for highways, bridges, fire department, and administrative operations of the Town of Plainfield for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

Art.10 Shall the Town of Plainfield authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus from the current fiscal year to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year?

Art.11 Shall the Town vote to accept the provisions of public statutes relating to the collection of taxes by the Town Treasurer, (VSA 32 Section 4791) and vote to collect municipal taxes thirty days from mailing and not prior to August 1, 2016 and collect school taxes on November 2, 2016 and February 8, 2017, collecting half of the total school taxes on each of those dates?

Art. 12 Shall the Town of Plainfield approve the following article:

Whereas, the earth's temperature continues to increase at an unprecedented rate; polar ice is melting at an increasing rate; and we are experiencing unusual and extreme weather events at an increasing frequency; and

- Whereas, scientists nearly unanimously agree that the increase in global temperature is the cause of the changing weather; that the increase is primarily caused by carbon dioxide emissions from the combustion of fossil fuels; and that unless these emissions are cut substantially, we will leave to future generations a much less desirable place to live; and

- Whereas, the Plainfield town government and its various committees have the ability to affect the reduction of fossil fuel use through decisions about town infrastructure and operations, through education and assistance to residents to reduce fossil fuel use, and through the implementation of climate-sensitive requirements in land use regulations.

- Be it resolved that the elected or appointed officials of Plainfield, acting collectively or individually, will take all responsible and legal actions within their respective subject areas, and/or in collaboration with others, in accord with the Plainfield Town Plan, to reduce fossil fuel use by the Town's operations, and encourage and assist residents to do the same.

- Be it further resolved that the Select Board and its designees will report, in the 2016 Town report, on actions taken to slow climate change under the provisions of this article.

Art.13 To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Bram Towbin, Chair  
David Strong  
Betsy Ziegler

Plainfield Selectboard

Dated at Plainfield, Vermont  
January 25, 2016