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**TOWN OF PLAINVILLE
WARRANT FOR THE
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2011
AT 7:00 P.M.**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to amend and reduce the Fiscal Year 2012 Sewer budget by \$31,983 from:

Sewer Department	440		\$ 873,690
Salaries		\$ 72,150	
Expenses.....		\$ 791,540	
Equipment.....		\$ 10,000	

To:

Sewer Department	440		\$ 841,707
Salaries		\$ 72,150	
Expenses.....		\$ 759,557	
Equipment.....		\$ 10,000	

Or, to see if the Town will vote to do or act in any manner relative thereto. *(Sponsor: Water and Sewer Commissioners)*

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS that the Fiscal Year 2012 Sewer budget be reduced by the stated \$31,983. This reduction is as the result of lower than anticipated FY 2012 debt costs needed to service Plainville's portion of the renovation and upgrade costs of the joint North Attleboro – Plainville sewer treatment plant.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, \$52,316.44 or any other sum for the payment of bills of a previous fiscal year payable to the Town of North Attleboro for Plainville's share of Operations and Maintenance costs associated with the shared Waste Water Treatment Facility, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. *(Sponsor: Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners)*

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS that \$52,316.44 be so appropriated. This represents the unpaid balance of the fourth quarter bill for Operations and Maintenance costs at the North Attleboro-Plainville sewer treatment plant which totaled \$103,129.68. However, the Finance Committee is perplexed as to why these prior year bills appear to be a reoccurring issue at recent Special and Annual Town Meetings. Nevertheless, the Sewer Commissioners have adjusted their Fiscal Year 2012 sewer rates in order to cover this shortfall and to avoid an impact on the tax rate.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, \$72.98 or any other sum for the payment of a bill of a previous fiscal year payable to the Sun Chronicle which was incurred by the Sewer Department, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (*Sponsor: Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners*)

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS that \$72.98 be so appropriated.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$1,758, or any other sum from Trash Enterprise Retained Earnings to the Fiscal Year 2012 Trash Salary Account, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (*Sponsor: Board of Health*)

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS that \$1,758 be transferred. This transfer was necessitated as the result of the need to man the Town's brush dump for the convenience of residents after Tropical Storm Irene.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, \$12,000 or any other sum to be used in combination with funds previously appropriated for the purpose of funding the Fiscal 2013 Maintenance and Re-inspection Program of all Real and Personal Property valuations within the Town of Plainville as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, such funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Assessors, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (*Sponsor: Board of Assessors*)

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS that \$12,000 be so appropriated. These funds in combination with the \$30,000 previously appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting, fully funds the recently awarded contract for the required triennial revaluation.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to amend the determination made under Article 38 of the June 7, 2010 Annual Town Meeting that 100% of all local costs associated with the sewer extension project authorized under Article 38 be repaid by betterment to the bettered properties in the area affected by said project, and to determine instead that 100% of such costs shall be paid by the Town so that the repayment of those funds borrowed for the completion of the project authorized by Article 38 will need to be raised and appropriated, or transferred from available funds, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (*Sponsor: Board of Selectmen*)

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE DOES NOT RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE. It is the position of the Committee that this issue was legally voted on at town meeting and approval of this article as written would benefit only a small group of people. To add 3.1 million dollars to our town debt will be detrimental to the 2012 budget and could impact our need for funds and our ability to borrow for future needs.

***RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY THE PLAINVILLE FINANCE
COMMITTEE***