

# TOWN OF PLAINVILLE

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – SEPTEMBER 10, 2025**

The Special Town Meeting was held at the Beatrice H. Wood Elementary School, 72 Messenger Street on Wednesday, September 10, 2025. The Town Clerk swore in Ellen Robertson, Nicholas Sammarco, Christopher Brenneis, and Steven Albert as vote counters for the evening.

Town Moderator, Luke Travis, called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM. He then read the opening of the warrant. The Town Clerk confirmed that the warrant was properly posted, and a quorum was present. A total of 190 voters were checked in for the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Moderator, followed by a moment of silence for service members and first responders.

Introductions were made of the Town Clerk, Finance Committee, Select Board, Town Administrator, Town Counsel, Finance Director, Treasurer/Collector and State Representative Marcus Vaughn.

The Moderator declared the meets and bounds of the hall. He also gave the following information and instructions:

- All voters should have checked in and received a voter's card.
- All visitors/non-voters should be wearing an orange sticker and be seated along the side.
- The location of emergency exits and the restrooms.
- Please silence all cell phones.

**PRIOR TO ARTICLE 1**

***MOTION:*** by Maggie Clarke and seconded by Brian Kelly. The Select Board recommends, and I so move that the following individuals, who are not registered voters of the Town of Plainville, be authorized to speak at this and subsequent sessions of the September 10, 2025 Special Town Meeting:

Brian Noble	Town Administrator
Julie Hebert	Finance Director/Assistant Town Administrator
Jeffrey Blake	Town Counsel
Steve Wight	Water & Sewer Superintendent
Taylor Torres	Director of Planning & Development
Christopher Brainard	BETA Engineering
Robert Mackie	BETA Engineering
William O'Rourke	Director of Public Works
Nicholas Cerce	Operations, Department of Public Works
Marcus Vaughn	State Representative

*VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY*  
*UNANIMOUS*

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting of October 7, 2024, by increasing the borrowing authorization by the addition of \$3,000,000 (three million dollars), for a total bond authorization of \$28,600,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

Requested by the Select Board

**MOTION:** by Brian Kelly and seconded by Jeffrey Johnson. *I move that the Town amend the vote taken under Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting of October 7, 2024, by increasing the borrowing authorization by the addition of \$3,000,000 (three million dollars), for a total bond authorization of \$28,600,000, so that such Special Town Meeting vote reads as follows: that the Town appropriate the sum of \$28,600,000.00 to design, construct and equip a new water treatment plant facility including the payment of the costs incidental or relative thereto and all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; and to meet such appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow up to \$28,600,000.00 under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 8(4) and/or Chapter 29C, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds and notes therefor; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow all or a portion of the amount authorized by this vote from the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C, and in connection therewith to enter into a financing agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust, and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan, and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for financing thereof, and that the Select Board is authorized to apply for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through Norfolk County and The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and any other grants, gifts, or donations for the purposes of this vote from federal, state, or private sources, and to accept such American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through Norfolk County and The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and any other grants, gifts or donations on behalf of the Town; that the Select Board, Board of Public Works or other appropriate local body or official is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project.*

**VOTE REQUIRED:**                      2/3<sup>RDS</sup> MAJORITY  
   **UNANIMOUS**

**MOTION TO DISSOLVE:** by Nicholas Sammarco and seconded by Jeffrey Johnson. *The Special Town Meeting was declared dissolved by the Moderator at 7:50 PM.*

A true record, Attest:

Cynthia J. Bush, CMC  
Town Clerk