



TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01569

Chairman Chief Marc Montminy, Police Dept.
Steven Sette, Town Manager
Benn Sherman Director DPW
Chief Tom Dion, Fire Dept.
Dr. Michael Baldassarre, School Superintendent

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: December 19, 2023
MEETING LOCATION: Uxbridge Police Department, 275 Douglas Street

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marc Montminy	Uxbridge Police Chief
Tom Dion	Uxbridge Fire Chief
Steven Sette	Uxbridge Town Manager
Benn Sherman	Uxbridge DPW Director

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Claudine Almeida	Recording Secretary PSC
Barry Giles	Cable-Program Coordinator

I. CALL TO ORDER

Time being 9:05 am, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Marc Montminy.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Minutes:

November 13, 2023 & November 30, 2023.

*****Motion by Steven Sette, seconded by Chief Dion to accept the minutes of the November 13, 2023. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

*****Motion by Chief Dion, seconded by Chairman Marc Montminy to accept the November 30, 2023. Motion carries 3-0-1. Steven Sette abstained from the vote, he was not present at the meeting.**

Chairman Marc Montminy informed everyone that yesterday we had a significant storm causing trees, phone lines, poles to come down followed up with flooding in certain areas. We had approximately 5-6 inches of rain. National Grid set up a municipal room and assigned a representative for each municipality. Steve Sette said the new government contact representative with National Grid is now Jean Tinlin. He also states he would like to invite Bob Moran and Jean Tinlin to our next meeting to discuss how the help desk works. Chairman Marc Montminy states I would be remised if I did not say Fire, Police, and DPW workers were terrific. Steve Sette states at the Select Board meeting Mr. Demers recognized the dispatchers for their exceptional work and I agree.



B. 2nd Egress for Uxbridge High School-Update from Dr. Baldassare.

Chairman Montminy states he would like to table this discussion due to Dr. Baldassarre is not present. The School Board has authorized Allen Engineering to look at the egress issue for a fraction of the price. I don't believe that a report has been produced yet.

C. Mark Richards from Village of Autumn Ridge Condominiums signage installed regarding children (slow children at play). Parking allowed on one side of the street-Update from Benn Sherman.

Benn Sherman states after the last meeting he put together some information 1st the no parking sign, the width of the roadway is only 24 feet and densely populated. He is making a recommendation to the Select Board for authorization of a no parking sign on one side of the road, because he feels this will be a good solution.

***** Motion by Chairman Marc Montminy installation of no parking signs along one side of High Park Circle to the Select Board by the DPW, second from Chief Dion. All approved motion carried 4-0-0.**

Benn Sherman provided a memorandum for the reasons for not installing Child at Play signage. Chairman Marc Montminy states this will be taken up at the next meeting for further discussion.

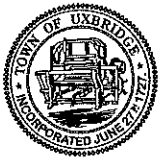
III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Craig Phillips complaint on Granite Street Safety Concern email from Alexandra Clauss.

Benn Sherman states the road is stripped the issue is the drop off. The cars are cued up on one side of the road and the side streets from Whitin and Taft school, which is problematic. This causes a one lane road, because buses cause more traffic issues and none of this has to do with the line paint. Chairman Marc Montminy states we can agree this is an ongoing traffic issue, especially during school drop off and release. Steve Sette states we should have the School Committee address the parents where they should park, it's not a Public Safety Committee issue. Chairman Marc Montminy will draft a letter to the School Board to address the issue and we will assist if needed.

B. Email from Kyle Stanley from Pare Corporation regarding Rice City Pond Dam maintenance.

Chairman Marc Montminy states in the email shutting down East Hartford Avenue with the exceptions of school buses and emergency vehicles for a few months. It also states the proposed detour would be East Hartford Avenue/W. River Road/ Mendon St. (Route 16)/Oak Street loop to avoid the work. Benn Sherman states shutting down the main road in town is not acceptable. Benn Sherman states I will reach out to Kyle Stanley to attend the next Public Safety Meeting.



IV. Adjournment

Motion by Chief Dion, seconded by Chairman Marc Montminy to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 a.m. **Motion carried 4-0-0.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Claudine Almeida.

Minutes approved by Public Safety Committee **Date Approved:** 1-22-24



Marc Montminy, Chair

Benn Sherman



Tom Dion



Steven Sette

Dr. Michael Baldassarre