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**TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
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21 S. MAIN STREET, UXBRIDGE, MASS
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2016 – 6:30PM**

Present: Chair Jennifer Modica, Vice Chair Jeff Shaw, Clerk Jim Hogan, Selectman Peter Baghdasarian and Selectman Lance Anderson. Also present Town Manager David Genereux.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Announcements – Ms. Modica announced that there is a School Committee vacancy. Anyone wishing to serve should submit a letter of interest to the School Committee Chair.
2. Citizen's Forum – Mr. Brian Miller and his son Tyler spoke about Support the Courts project. The family runs the Blackstone Valley Youth Leadership Academy an Uxbridge Summer Basketball league. Money was fundraised to renovate the outdoor basketball courts at D'Alfonso Park on Hecla Street. They Board thanked the family for pursuing this project and look forward to the completion.

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. Open Space Plan – Conservation Commission – Mr. Pat Hannon, Chair of the Conservation Commission discussed the idea of revisiting the Open Space Plan drafted in 2008. The Conservation Commission would lead this effort. There was discussion whether this should be established as a temporary or permanent committee. It as the consensus of the Board to have the Conservation Commission review the Open Space Plan and seek members to serve on the committee. The Board will continue discussions at a future meeting.
2. Dog Park Grant – Pet Safe Grant – letter of support – The Town Manager advised that Officer Josiah Morrisette is seeking another grant opportunity for the dog park. Following discussion, **MOTION: I, Mr. Hogan, move that the Board authorize the Chair to endorse the letter of support for the PetSafe Bark for Your Park grant opportunity. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-1 (Mr. Baghdasarian opposed).**
3. Right of First Refusal – 439 Sutton Street, Map 4, Parcel 2976 – The Town Manager discussed the Notice of Intention to sell land on Sutton Street. Several residents asked the Board to consider exercising the option to purchase the land and preserve as open space. Mr. Russ Holden, a member of the Conservation Commission, and current Board Member on the Metacomet Trust, explained the process where the Trust, through the Town, would negotiate to purchase the land. The Trust would pay for the cost of the acquisition and manage the property. The Board agreed to defer its decision while this option was explored. The Town Manager will speak to members of the Trust to confirm their interest in the property and to further explore the acquisition process.
4. Re-appointment – Town Counsel, Louison, Costello, Condon & Pfaff, LLP
MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw, move that the Board re-appoint Louison, Costello, Condon & Pfaff, LLP as Town Counsel. Seconded by Mr. Hogan, the motion carried 5-0.

5. Order of Taking – endorse – 32 S. Main Street – easement for drainage culvert
MOTION: I, Mr. Hogan, move that the Board endorse the Order of Taking for 32 S. Main Street. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 5-0.
6. Budget Projections – The Town Manager discussed the 2018-2020 Budget Projections. (Memorandum dated May 17, 2016 attached to the minutes). No votes or action was taken.
7. Board of Selectmen goals – There was general discussion. Members will submit goals to Ms. Modica for discussion at a future meeting.

III. OLD BUSINESS

1. Town Manager evaluation/goals – There was general discussion on the Town Manager evaluation/goals and the new format. It was the consensus of the Board to submit a paragraph for this year’s evaluation and formally fill out the form so the Town Manager has a starting point moving into next year’s evaluation. Members will submit goals to the office no later than June 20th. The Board will continue discussions at a future meeting.

IV. MEMBER ISSUES

There was discussion on the following topics:

- Land Use Department overworked
- School office move
- Cemetery vandalism – Richardson Cemetery Douglas Pike – offer reward

V. TOWN MANAGER

The Town Manager report is attached to the minutes.

VI. MEETING MINUTES

5/9/16 Meeting Minutes – **MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw, move that the Board approve the 5/9/16 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 5-0.**

VII. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF SELECTMEN’S MEETING 6/13/16

Ms. Modica adjourned the meeting at 8:36pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante.

Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:

Jennifer Modica, Chair

Peter Baghdasarian, Selectman

Jeff Shaw, Vice Chair

Lance Anderson, Selectman

Jim Hogan, Clerk

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**David Genreux
Town Manager**

May 23, 2016

To: Board of Selectmen
From: David Genreux, Town Manager

RE: Town Manager Report

I am pleased to provide the Board of Selectmen with a report of current activities of the Town Manager's Office.

- Preparation/completion budget projections
- Ongoing permitting training
- Attended Bomber Crash Ceremony
- Attended Public Safety Day
- Interviews completed for Electrical Inspector/new hire
- Attended Historic District Commission Meeting
- Meeting with the Chair of the Historic Cemetery Committee
- Meeting with Algonquin Gas – alternate site

Please contact me with any questions.