

Town of Uxbridge, Massachusetts Finance Committee Meeting Minutes



Date: January 26, 2011

Place: Board of Selectmen Room

Present:

Peter DeMers	P	Mark Andrews	P	Howard Fortner	A
Christine Horwath	P	Ed Maharay	A	John Morawski	L
Ray Wright	P				

1. Call to Order: 6:00 PM
2. Minutes: A review of the previous meeting's minutes was tabled until next meeting.
3. Snow and Ice: Due to weather conditions this winter, Uxbridge is running quite low on road salt, funds in the budget for winter weather snow and ice management are quickly being depleted, and equipment is breaking down.

Motion/Second/Discussion Vote

Motion	To authorize expenditure in excess of appropriation for snow and ice removal, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 31D.				
1 st	MA	2 nd	CH	Vote	4-0-0

Discussion covered the following considerations:

- i) The road salt supplier for the town is claiming to have depleted his reserves, as well. Uxbridge participates in a purchasing consortium, which helps to keep costs lower. By purchasing road salt from a secondary supplier, which is a viable option, the price of the salt nearly doubles. According to Uxbridge Town Manager, Michael Szlosek, if the primary supplier does not fulfill contractual obligations to Uxbridge, the town may seek damages.
- ii) As of last weekend, the town had \$95,592 remaining in this budget; as of the beginning of this weekend, the amount was closer to \$60,000, due to recent snowstorms. According to Uxbridge Finance Director, David Genereux, Massachusetts General Law allows for towns

to spend more than budgeted amounts for snow and ice management, if necessary.

iii) According to Uxbridge Department of Public Works Director, Benn Sherman, four big trucks used for snow and ice management are down for repairs. Two will take over a week to fix. Two sidewalk tractors are out, as well.

4. Financial Reports: Mr. Genereux presented an overview of the November and December reports, which had been distributed via e-mail. Moving forward, monthly reports will be available by the 5th day of the following month.

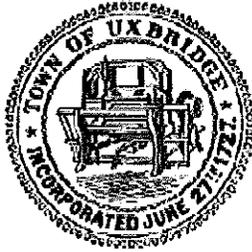
As of November, the town was tracking at 47% to total budget for the fiscal year. As of December, the town was tracking at 55% to total budget.

5. FY 2012: Mr. Genereux offered information on considerations for the Fiscal Year 2012 budget. Uxbridge does not have a formal commitment for a revenue sharing agreement with the school department. The town's Capital Committee is in need of a Chairperson. The entire budgeting process for FY 2012 should be finalized in three to four weeks.

6. Adjournment

Motion/Second/Discussion Vote

Motion	To adjourn meeting at 6:45 pm.				
1 st	MA	2 nd	JM	Vote	5-0-0



Finance Committee Approval Sheet

Name	Signature	Date
Peter DeMers		03/09/2011
Mark Andrews		03/09/2011
Howard Fortner		
Christine Horwath		3/9/11
Ed Maharay		
John Morawski		3/9/11
Ray Wright		3/9/11