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**TOWN OF UXBRIDGE**  
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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM**  
**WEDNESDAY MARCH 20, 2013 – 3:00PM**

Present: Chair Jay Cahill, Vice Chair Bruce Desilets, Clerk Tim Rice and Selectman Peter Baghdasarian.  
Also present, Finance Director David Genereux.  
Not Present: Town Manager Sean Hendricks and Administrative Assistant Tracey Ante.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Announcements - None
- B. Citizen's Forum – No one was present.

**II. OLD/NEWBUSINESS**

- A. BVT Article
  - Special Town Meeting
  - Special Ballot Election

Mr. Cahill discussed the recent developments surrounding the proposed BVT article. A letter was received from Dr. Fitzpatrick on a suggested warrant article, motion and ballot for a debt borrowing related to "renovating and reconfiguring" the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School. The district took this vote on March 7<sup>th</sup>. As Uxbridge researched the required protocols to locally act upon the request, the Board was informed of MGL timelines for such actions. As a result, in our specific case, the actions required of the Town of Uxbridge to take on these articles did not fit into the schedule of our Annual Town Meeting and/or Annual Town Election and require the town hold a Special Town Meeting and Special Town Election. Given the costs associated with holding "Specials" this request has put an unfair financial burden on the town. If we do not hold this meeting/election our vote on the matter will defaulted to assuming the debt requested and incurring it under the existing tax levy. In response, Mr. Cahill reached out to other Board's of the 13 member communities to ask that they consider their own ramifications of the proposed timing for action on these matters and to request that the district reconsider the timing of the project given the MGL timelines and what Uxbridge believed to be a lack of transparency and consideration of local schedules as it relates to this proposed project. This was about addressing the most efficient and cost effective way to communicate it and act on it. Sean Hendricks has been in communication with many Town Managers.

In closing, Mr. Cahill informed the Board that he would keep them updated as information progressed. No formal votes or action was taken by the Board. The Board will continue discussion in the future.

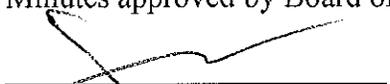
**III. TOWN MANAGER UPDATE**

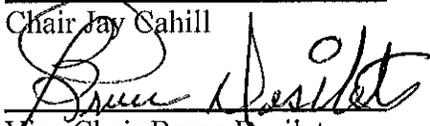
**IV. MEMBER ISSUES**

**V. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT BOS MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013 – 6:00PM**

At 3:30PM, Mr. Cahill adjourned the meeting.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante*  
Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:

  
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Chair Jay Cahill

  
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Vice Chair Bruce Desilets

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Clerk Tim Rice

  
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Selectman Peter Baghdasarian

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Date Approved