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TOWN OF UXBRIDGE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES  
UXBRIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
275 DOUGLAS STREET  
UXBRIDGE, MA 01569 – 508-278-8600  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2011 – 5:30PM

Present: Selectman Bruce Desilets, Selectman Beth A. Pitman, Selectman Peter Petrillo and Selectman Jay Cahill. Selectman Cari Kay Robertson arrived at 6:00PM. Also present Finance Director David Genereux and Administrative Assistant Tracey Ante.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Announcements - None
- B. Citizen's Forum – Mr. Baghdasarian discussed Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting Warrant. It is a Citizen's petition to Amend the Zoning Bylaws to allow solar. Mr. Howard Fortner inquired as to the cap on the new High School project. Mr. Desilets will provide him with the information.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Discussion/Action/Vote: STM Warrant of 6/23/11 – Vote recommendations

ARTICLE 1: CITIZEN'S PETITION – AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAWS

Mr. Stephen O'Connell was present and discussed Article 1: Citizen's Petition to Amend the Zoning Bylaws.

MOTION by Ms. Pitman that the Board recommends favorable action for Article 1: Citizen's Petition to Amend the Zoning Bylaws for the Special Town Meeting Warrant of 6/23/11. Seconded by Mr. Petrillo, the motion carried unanimously.

ARTICLE 2: APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ATHLETIC FIELDS AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS ON THE SITE OF THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

MOTION by Ms. Pitman that the Board recommends favorable action for Article 2: Appropriation for Construction of Athletic Fields and related improvements on the site of the new High School Project. Seconded by Mr. Cahill, the motion carried unanimously.

III. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT BOS MEETING THURSDAY 6/23/11 – 7:00PM

At 6:20PM, MOTION by Ms. Pitman to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Cahill, the motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante

Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:

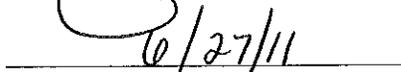
  
Chair Bruce Desilets

  
Vice Chair Beth A. Pitman

Clerk Peter Petrillo

  
Selectman Cari Kay Robertson

  
Selectman Jay Cahill

  
Date Approved 6/27/11



**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2011 – 7:30PM**  
**UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM & AUDITORIUM**  
**62 CAPRON STREET, UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS**

WORCESTER, S.S.  
 TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN, IN SAID COUNTY;  
 GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE DIRECTED TO NOTIFY THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF UXBRIDGE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN THE TOWN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, IN PRECINCT 2, IN SAID UXBRIDGE, ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES TO WIT:

**ARTICLE 1: CITIZEN'S PETITION – AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAWS**

1. Amend Article VI Section 400-20 (Special Permit for Major Nonresidential Project) by deleting the term "Solar energy" from Sub-section B. ( 5 ).
2. Amend Article X Definitions by adding:  
**Solar Photovoltaic Ground Mounted Installation Solar Farm:** The use of a parcel of land for the production and subsequent sale and or distribution of electricity by collecting energy produced by the sun in ground mounted structures, which structures have been specifically designed to be used as solar collectors.
3. Amend Section E of the Table of Uses by deleting "Solar energy" from the use defined as "Electrical generating facilities with a capacity of 350 megawatts or less on a minimum of 15 acres, using natural gas, renewable and low sulfur fuels, wind or solar energy."
4. Amend Appendix A by creating a new use to be added to Section E thereof:

**Solar Photovoltaic Ground Mounted Installation Solar Farm:**

R-A	R-B	R-C	A	B	I
N	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB

**SPONSOR:** Citizen's petition

**MOTION:** *To be provided by petitioner.*

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:** To be provided at Town Meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING BOARD:** To be provided at Town Meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:** To be provided at Town Meeting.

**VOTE NEEDED:** 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s Majority (Chapter 40A, Section 5)

**ARTICLE 2: APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ATHLETIC FIELDS AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS ON THE SITE OF THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of constructing and equipping athletic fields and related improvements on the site of the new Uxbridge High School on Town-owned land on Quaker Highway and that, to meet said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 or any other enabling authority; and, further, that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to apply for and accept any federal or state funds or grants and/or gifts of any kind for this purpose; provided, however, that any appropriation hereunder shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt the amounts required for the payment of



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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
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## MOTION AND COMMENTARY FOR ARTICLE 2

ARTICLE 2: APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ATHLETIC FIELDS AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS ON THE SITE OF THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

*MOTION: Move that the Town borrow a sum not to exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000) to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of constructing and equipping athletic fields and related improvements on the site of the new Uxbridge High School on Town-owned land on Quaker Highway and that, to meet said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 or any other enabling authority; and, further, that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to apply for and accept any federal or state funds or grants and/or gifts of any kind for this purpose; provided, however, that any appropriation hereunder shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt the amounts required for the payment of interest and principal on said borrowing from the limitations on taxes imposed by M.G.L. 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2 ½).*

*Commentary: This article seeks funding to construct athletic fields and related improvements on the site of the new high school. They were in the design and solicitation of the 43 million dollar construction project, but could not be included in the final project budget after the bids were tabulated. It is forecast that a 20 year borrowing at 4.00% will add .23 to the tax rate and cost the average home \$71.00 a year.*