

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
275 Douglas Street
UXBRIDGE, MA 01569**

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: May 1, 2014
MEETING LOCATION: Uxbridge Police Department

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:35 A.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeffrey Lourie	Uxbridge Police Department
Bill Kessler	Uxbridge Fire Department
Peter Emerick	Uxbridge Police Department
Benn Sherman	Uxbridge Department of Public Works
Kevin Carney	Uxbridge Superintendent of Schools
David Genereux	Uxbridge Interim Town Manager

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley	Recording secretary PSC
Mary Beauchamp	4 th of July
Dan Antonellis	Uxbridge Planning Board

OLD BUSINESS:

1 Approval of minutes

**** Motion made by Jeffery Lourie to accept the April 3, 2014 minutes as amended and seconded by Bill Kessler. Motion Carried 4-0-2. Kevin Carney abstained and Sean Hendricks not present.**

Move #7 and #8 out of order;

7. 4th of July Celebration

Mary Beauchamp informed the Public Safety Committee that this year's 4th of July event will take place on June 27th from 4pm to 10 pm and there is no rain date. They will have professional bands playing along with food vendors and games for children. This event will not have fireworks this year.

The 4th of July committee is looking to use McCloskey School and use Taft and McCloskey for parking.

She was informed that permits were needed for entertainment and permit from the Board of Health for transient food vendors. David Genereux advised Mary to start at the Town Clerks Office.

Kevin Carney said there was no conflict with the School Department but he will update the School Committee and she will need to contact the recreation committee.

#8. Street Naming Policy.

Dan Antonellis from the Planning Board was present to discuss the street naming policy with the Public Safety Committee. A discussion was held on how the street naming policy should be handled. David Genereux suggested when preliminary plans are

submitted they could send it to the Board of Selectmen for review and that the Planning Board should have a sign off form for compliance.

Also discussed were naming of private ways and what defines a private way versus a private driveway. Benn Sherman also stated that there needs to be some control with people putting up signs. These are building and zoning issues.

Pete Emerick stated that under CH 40 Mass General Laws the Board of Selectmen have authority over all ways. Ways are governed by the Board of Selectmen.

Benn Sherman suggested that the Public Safety committee recommend to the Board of Selectmen that rather than more than 3 houses for a private way we recommend 2 or more and it should say that naming of private ways and driveways is prohibited.

Dave Genereux said at 2 you are a shared driveway anything more becomes a public or private way. The answer would be to establish a by-law. Peter Emerick suggested that the committee needs to look at an all-encompassing by-law.

Benn suggested the committee have the building department and the assessor's office present for these meetings.

David Genereux said the PSC needs to submit to the Board of Selectmen a request to change street names and authorize signage. We need a by-law and for them and also for them understand the purpose of the by-law. Another important issue is to bring in the state and/or federal mandates.

2. Identifying and codifying traffic management

On hold

3. Speed limit sign on Hazel St.

On hold

4. On site off site school zones

Discussed

5. Winter sidewalk maintenance.

This was discussed and Benn will see if Sean had posted anything with the Board of Selectmen and also see what, if anything has been done and report back to the committee.

#6 Town Common request for Food Truck Rally & Fire on the falls.

Fire on the Falls is July 5th and they are focused on getting all their permits. Capron Park needs to go to the state; they need to coordinate with the Board of Selectmen for food vendors. Need details for traffic and possible closing of Court St.

Benn to reach out to Jim Bartro and ask him to attend the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Stop Sign at Hollis and Blackstone St.

Benn said that in 3 years there was only one accident and his only justification would be geometry based, it does not meet the warrants for a stop sign. David Genereux said he votes no on this stop sign. Peter Emerick does not see the need for a stop sign we have no data and no research. David Genereux said one incident does not support putting up a

stop sign, but if there is more data out there that show there needs to be a stop sign at that location he would support it.

***Motion made by Bill Kessler to put a stop sign at the corner of Hollis St. and Blackstone St. A roll call was performed with the following results; Bill Kessler and Jeffrey Lourie voted in the positive, Benn Sherman, David Genereux and Peter Emerick voted in the negative. Motion carried 2-3-0. Motion was voted against; not enough data to support the request.**

Kevin Carney left the meeting after discussion of the 4th of July event and not present for this motion.

2. Jim Bartro – Fire on the Falls

This was discussed with #6 in old business.

***Motion made by Bill Kessler seconded by Jeffrey Lourie to close the meeting at 11:50 a.m. Motion carried 5-0-0**

UXBRIDGE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES ACCEPTED

August 7, 2014

MEMBERS:

Will J. Kent

Brian Sullivan

Renee Conway

Gregory D.

Jay
