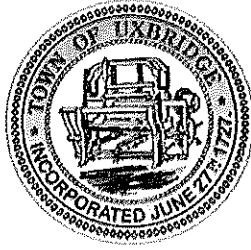


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## **Minutes of the Uxbridge Board of Health hybrid meeting held on September 7, 2022 at 5:00 PM**

**Present:** Dr. David Tapscott, Chairman; Dr. Joann Lindenmayer, Vice Chair; and Dr. Cay DenHerder, Member

Also present, Erin Hightower, Health Director; Kaitlin Donahue, Health Inspector; Missy Kakela-Boisvert, Administrative Assistant, Paul Balutis 40 Taft Hill Lane, Rory St. Pierre 42 Taft Hill, Barry Desruisseaux 574 Blackstone Street, Conservation Agent Emily Petro and Linda Barry 206 Hazel Street

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### **Meeting called to order:**

The time being 5:12 PM and a quorum present, Chairman Dr. David Tapscott called the meeting to order.

**Cresco/Cultivate** – Erin explained the office had received complaints about smells coming from Cresco/Cultivate a marijuana grow facility. She's had meetings with multiple people on a mitigation plan. Town Manager Steve Sette informed her that an outside firm will review the plan that was submitted to the Town.

The office did receive complaints with the bathroom facilities. Kaitlin and Plumbing Inspector Larry Wiersma did go and inspect. They found low water pressure was the issue. Kaitlin sent the staff home and told company managers that employees could not return to work unless issue was corrected. Kaitlin asked how many employees were working at the facility and was told up to 150 to 170 employees at one time. Uxbridge DPW was contacted to find out what was going on as it's an intermittent problem.

Paul Balutis and Rory St. Pierre residents from Taft Hill Lane told the Board that back in April neighbors had been meeting discussing their issues among themselves. May 11<sup>th</sup> phase one of the mitigation plan was to start and it has not happened yet. They don't want the business shut down, they just want to enjoy their outdoor property without the smells. Barry Deruisseaux asked if the Cannabis Control Commission had been contacted and Erin responded yes.

**206 Hazel Street** – On August 25<sup>th</sup> Erin and Kaitlin were requested to come to 206 Hazel Street by Uxbridge Police Department and Animal Control Officer Kevin Sullivan. The animals were removed and Erin and Kaitlin were able to do a housing inspection.

Once the inspection was concluded they had no choice but to condemn the home. Kaitlin reviewed the report during the meeting. A condemnation order was given to the property owner. The owner requested an appeal of the condemnation. Ms. Barry was present at this meeting and told the board that she had the electricity turned back on. Ms. Barry agreed to get a quote from a licensed plumber to


requested an appeal of the condemnation. Ms. Barry was present at this meeting and told the board that she had the electricity turned back on. Ms. Barry agreed to get a quote from a licensed plumber to provide adequate water for this property. The Board was happy to hear that was done. Conservation Agent Emily Petro explained with the house being condemned the funding options she was working on might not be an option now. With all the issues the property has, the Board told Ms. Barry the next step would be to get quotes from plumbers. The Board stressed to Ms. Barry that she needs to have clean water through out the house which will require electricity for the well pump.

**Drought and non-essential water use advisory for private irrigation and residential wells** – Dr. Tapscott wants the other board members to think about revising Article 14 Minimum Sanitation Standards for Private and Semi-Public Wells regarding irrigation wells. These wells are not regulated as far as the amount of water used and any possible groundwater contamination because of not have backflow devices. The board has voiced their concerns in the past especially during drought conditions.

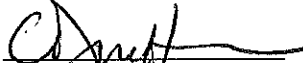
**Minutes from August 3, 2022** - *Dr. Joann Lindenmayer moved to approve the meeting minutes from August 3, 2022 as written. Dr. Cay DenHerder - aye seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. David Tapscott – aye, Dr. Joann Lindenmayer – aye, Dr. Cay DenHerder - aye*

The Board will now meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5:30 instead of the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month to avoid conflicts with other meetings. The next meeting will take place on September 21 at 5:30PM

**Motion to adjourn** - *Dr. Cay DenHerder moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm. Dr. Joann Lindenmayer seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. David Tapscott – aye, Dr. Joann Lindenmayer – aye, Dr. Cay DenHerder - aye*

  
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