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# TOWN OF UXBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH

21 South Main Street, Room 204 Uxbridge, MA 01569 508-278-8600 ext. 8 boh@uxbridge-ma.gov

Minutes of the Uxbridge Board of Health emergency meeting held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 4:15 PM

#### \*This meeting was held remotely\*

**Present:** Michael Morrissette, Chair, David Tapscott, Vice Chair and Joann Lindenmayer, Member Also present, Kristin Black, Health Director, Nancy Centrella, Administrative Assistant

Meeting called to order: The time being 4:16 PM and a quorum present, Chairman Morrissette called the emergency meeting to order.

#### **BUSINESS**

### Recommendation for Town Meeting Location and Procedures

On May 27, 2020, the Town Manager, Moderator, Health Director, Town Clerk, Cable Access Program Director and Dr. Tapscott met to go over the logistics of the Spring Annual Town Meeting. Ed Mahary, Town Moderator, forwarded the attached notes from that meeting to be used to help the Board with their recommendation. They went to Valley Chapel to review the set-up, air flow, technical options, etc. David Tapscott spoke about indoor vs. outdoor transmission of Covid-19 (attached). In order to make their recommendation to the town, the Board looked at: length of the meeting; space to socially distance; ventilation of the building; and safety for all voters, including those at higher risk. The Town Moderator has limited the meeting time to two hours. Valley Chapel's HVAC system is recirculated air with no exterior doors or windows. The Board realizes that there would be a lot of work involved to hold the meeting outdoors. They have done some research on other towns that have successfully held their town meetings outside. Peter Demers, Finance Committee, spoke on the subject, saying that many residents may not attend the meeting if it is held outdoors due to it being too different than what they are used to. He suggested possibly using the gymnasium at the high school with overflow in the auditorium and the cafeteria. The Board is willing to consider that option.

Motion: Joann Lindenmayer moved for the Uxbridge Board of Health to recommend that the Spring Annual Town Meeting be held at an outdoor location unless a suitable indoor space can be identified that takes into account the safety of the residents of Uxbridge. David Tapscott seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Michael Morrissette — aye, David Tapscott — aye, Joann Lindenmayer - aye

# ANY OTHER MATTER THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Joann read a statement regarding Kristin Black's work ethic during this pandemic praising her for all of the hard work she had done for the Board and the residents of Uxbridge. David agreed and added that her work was shared on both the regional and state levels. Kristin thanked the Board and added that she had help from our public health nurse.

### **ADJOURNMENT 11:17 AM**

**Motion:** Joann Lindenmayer moved to adjourn the meeting. David Tapscott seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Michael Morrissette – aye, David Tapscott – aye, Joann Lindenmayer – aye.

Minutes of the Uxbridge Board of Health meeting held on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 1:30 pm in the Board of Selectmen Meeting Room, 21 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA (continued)

Michael Morrissette, Chairman

David Tapscott, Vice Chairman

Joann Lindenmayer, Member

Lynn/Marchand, Administrative Assistant
(Please see attached emails for approval of meeting minutes)

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September 29, 2020

## Signature authorization for the Board of Health June 2, 2020 Meeting Minutes:

From: Joann Lindenmayer

Sent: Monday, September 28, 2020 4:50 PM

To: Lynn Marchand < LMarchand@uxbridge-ma.gov>

Subject: Re: Please email authorization for me to sign Minutes

I have read the minutes of the Board of Health meeting on June 2, 2020 and I approve them. I give Lynn Marchand permission to sign the minutes on my behalf.

Joann Lindenmayer

From: Dr. David Tapscott

Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2020 8:10 AM

To: Lynn Marchand < LMarchand@uxbridge-ma.gov>

Subject: Re: David: Can you email authorization for me to sign the Minutes?

I authorize Lynn Marchand to sign my name to the minutes of the Board Health Meetings of May 11th, May 28th and June 2nd 2020.

David Tapscott
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