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**TOWN OF UXBRIDGE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES  
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21 S. MAIN STREET, UXBRIDGE, MASS  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 6:30PM**

Present: Chair Brian Butler, Vice Chair Jeff Shaw, Clerk Brian Plasko, Selectman Susan Franz, Selectman Stephen Mandile.  
Also present: Interim Town Manager Peter Hechenbleikner

1. 6:30 p.m. CALL TO ORDER & SALUTE TO THE FLAG

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Volunteers needed - please see the Town Manager's Office or Town Clerk's Office for a list of openings.  
Board/Committee Highlight: Zoning Board of Appeals. Anyone interested in joining ZBA, please complete an online Talent Bank Form or complete a form in person.
- b) Uxcellent News
  - Chris Currie: Congratulations – Semi Pro Baseball Hall of Fame induction
  - Nicholas Corapi: 10-year-old looking for a kidney donation. For more information, Google Nicholas Joseph Corapi (AKA Super Nicholas) to learn more about donating or helping out. Thank you to Turf Technologies for helping out the family by donating their services.
  - Skate Park – thank you to Selectmen Plasko for his cleanup assistance.

3. CITIZENS' FORUM

The following residents spoke:

- Jennifer Modica, Dog Park Committee Chair: Dog Park bid process, acceptance of grants/gifts, electrical update, Koopman Lumber. The next Dog Park Committee Meeting October 9th.
- Alexa Romasco: inquired about mosquito spraying, CodeRed program. Ms. Franz highlighted three recommendations from MVP committee including increasing CodeRed enrollment, community education of vector-borne disease, seeking out MVP grant funding for electronic sign boards.
- Town Manager reached out to CMMPC about possibly rejoining. Board has decided to place this article on the special town meeting warrant in October. Residents must enroll in CodeRed using their landline, cell phone, email or text. Chief Montminy is trying to secure a list of landlines, more information to follow.

4. BUSINESS

- a) Town Manager Screening Committee Final Report  
John Petrin from Community Paradigm Associates, LLC and Barry Desruisseaux, Town Manager Screening Committee present. The Board was presented with a report from Community Paradigm. The seven-member Screening Committee interviewed four candidates and voted to send two candidates to the Board of Selectmen for their consideration. The Board of Selectmen received a copy of the resumes, background review, summary of reference checks and draft questions. The two finalists, Thomas Guerino and Steven Sette will be interviewed by the Board on Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. The Board thanked Mr. Petrin and the Town Manager Screening Committee.
- c) **PUBLIC HEARING: NOTICE OF TAKING - Waterman Way**  
Mr. Butler opened the public hearing. Mr. Sherman provided the Board with a brief history of Waterman Way. Property owners received a notice of land taking thru eminent domain.  
**MOTION: Mr. Shaw made a motion to close the public hearing on the acceptance of Waterman Way as a public street. Seconded by Ms. Franz. The motion carried 5-0-0.**  
**MOTION: Mr. Shaw made a motion that the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to the authority granted by G.L. c. 82, § 7, adopts the Order of Taking as approved by Article 22 at the 2019 Annual Town Meeting, by eminent domain of the land consisting of Waterman Way, as shown on a plan entitled "Acceptance Plan of Waterman Way Uxbridge, Mass", prepared by Chappell Engineering Associates, LLC, 201 Boston Post Road West, Suite 101, Marlborough, Massachusetts, dated May 19, 2015, recorded with the Worcester**

(South) Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 945, Page 96, along with all drainage easements of record, as shown on such plan. The purpose of the Order of Taking will be to adopt the roadway as a public way. The Board of Selectmen awards damages as follows: The Board has determined that the property consisting of Waterman Way and the associated drainage easements are of nominal value and therefore awards damages in the amount of \$0.00 in connection with this Order. Seconded by Ms. Franz. The motion carried 5-0-0 by roll call vote: Butler Yes; Shaw Yes; Plasko Yes; Franz Yes; Mandile Yes.

- d) Civil Administrative Warrant sought for 32 Church Street  
Andrew Gorman present from the Conservation Commission. The Conservation Commission has not been able to get the cooperation for three years of the property owner at 32 Church Street to enter the property to determine to what extent there are violations of the Wetlands Act. The Conservation Commission is asking for the support of the Board of Selectmen to seek a Civil Administrative Warrant to be able to access the property – this is equivalent to a court ordered search warrant. Town counsel reviewed the document.  
**MOTION: Ms. Franz made a motion that the Board of Selectmen support the Conservation Commission's effort to secure a Civil Administrative Warrant related to potential Wetlands Act violations at 32 Church Street. Seconded by Mr. Plasko. The motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Shaw abstained).**
- e) Planning for current & future development business development/critical water situation  
Barry Desruisseaux, Vice Chair Planning Board present. Mr. Desruisseaux discussed the future business development of the town and infrastructure upgrades needed for the Rte. 146/Rte. 16 business area. Mr. Desruisseaux discussed water loop options for that area. The Board thanked Mr. Desruisseaux for pulling the presentation together.

- f) Special Town Meeting Warrant discussion -  
Warrant opens today and closes at 5pm September 26, 2019. The Special Town Meeting will be held within the FATM, for the primary purpose of considering Zoning Bylaw amendments related to development of property that is in Uxbridge, Sutton, and Douglas. The Economic Development Director has been working with the planners in Douglas and Sutton on developing consistent language for the zoning in the three communities, thereby enabling the developer to operate under one set of consistent regulations. The Board has expressed an interest in asking Town Meeting to re-join the CMMCP, with a sense that it would be more advantageous to do that now and participate in the testing, trapping, and pre-emergence activities in the next spring (2020) cycle, rather than waiting until July 1 of 2020. Town Meeting will be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Marijuana cafes will not be part of the Special Warrant. The Town Manager will inquire with the State how the town can be part of the working group.

- g) Interim Town Manager Separation Plan  
Mr. Hechenbleikner reviewed options regarding his separation plan as Interim Town Manager. The Board discussed options. The Board thanked Mr. Hechenbleikner for his service.

## 5. TOWN MANAGER UPDATE

- a) Thank you to Chief Montminy as Acting Town Manager during Mr. Hechenbleikner's vacation.
- b) MMA Legislative Breakfasts. Board should consider, events worthwhile.
- c) Dementia Friends Information Session – October 17 at the Senior Center 1:30 to 2:30 PM.
- d) Flu Clinics: Senior Center - October 9, 12:30 to 2:30; Whitin School - October 15 3:00 to 5:00 PM.
- e) Selectmen's meeting September 26 – 6:00 PM for interviewing Town Manager finalists.
- f) October 2 joint meeting with the School Committee re appointment of School Committee member.
- g) Joint meeting with Finance Committee on October 2<sup>nd</sup> presentation of FY17 & FY18 audits.
- h) The State has advertised bids for the reconstruction of North Main Street from Hartford Avenue to Douglas Street.
- i) The Senior Center parking lot project was advertised for bid on Wednesday, September 11, 2019
- j) FY2020 Cyclical Inspections for the Assessor's office were conducted by Patriot Properties - there are 239 inspections & 18 inspections from 2019.

- k) Richardson-North v BOH: Town has prevailed, with finality, in Richardson-North's challenge to the Board of Health's regulations for soil importation. With the dismissal of Mr. Richardson's appeal and the Board of Health's previous victory in Mr. Richardson's appeal of a denial for a soil importation permit, there can be no dispute that soil importation operations are not presently permitted on the South Street property. Today, the Town was served on a new suit which appears to be related to the same topic.
- l) Representative Soter will be accompanying Congressman McGovern and EPA officials to Uxbridge on Monday afternoon, September 30th to view contaminated sites and understand local issues related to these sites in Uxbridge (and separately Millville).
- m) The Uxbridge Police Department is the recipient of a Zoll AEDPlus® (Automatic External Defibrillators) valued at approximately \$1,200, which was donated by Six10 AED of Mendon.
- n) The special legislation for Uxbridge (OPEB funding from Meals tax) has been filed by Representative Soter and Senator Fattman as a joint presenter. Hope to have it signed by the end of the year.
- o) The Building Inspector visited with Pete Pereira, owner of Wild 57 at 30 Monahan Drive. Owner has been before the ZBA. The ZBA will have a site visit in the future. The owner is working on cleaning up the site
- p) Board/Committee vacancies: The Board received a copy of open seats on various Boards/Committees.

6. MEMBER ISSUES

- Susan Franz: Historical Commission placed a grant application to the Cultural Council for traveling exhibition; MVP Committee met regarding the mosquitoes concerns; worked with CMRPC on a new FEMA grant on the signboards; Fall round of MVP grant is opening and Committee is discussing options/direction.


7. MEETING MINUTES - No meeting minutes available.

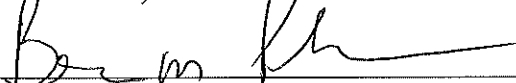
8. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>.

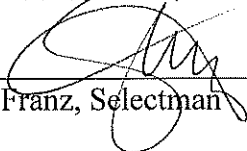
**MOTION: Mr. Shaw made a motion that the Board of Selectmen adjourn its meeting of September 23, 2019 at 8:48 PM. Seconded by Mr. Plasko. The motion carried 5-0-0.**

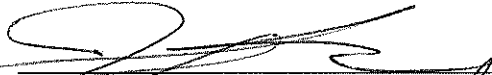
Minutes respectfully submitted by Ellen Welch

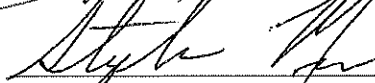
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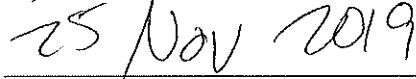
  
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