

TOWN OF UXBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING ROOM 21 S. MAIN STREET, UXBRIDGE, MA MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2022 – 6:00 PM

This meeting was held in-person & via Zoom.

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Present: Chairman Brian Butler, Clerk Stephen Mandile, Members Peter DeMers and John Wise **Also Present:** Town Manager Steve Sette, Administrative Assistant Alexandra Clauss **Not Present:** Vice Chairman Jeffrey Shaw

1) <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>– Butler called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2) ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Volunteers needed: Commission on Disability ALL POSITIONS OPEN!
- b) Uxcellent News: Wise regarding:
 - i. Friday, August 12th from 3-7 PM at River Bend Farm STEAM with Amanda Gallerani, Save the Bay from Mystic Aquarium, Mendon Street Kitchen, & more!
 - ii. Sunday, August 21st: RC Air Show and Vendor Fair for Uxbridge Youth Soccer League from 10 AM 4 PM; and, Cardboard Boat Race at Pout Pond at 3:15 PM
- iii. Saturday, August 27th: RiMaConn Relay with the Hartford Marathon Foundation
- iv. Monday, September 19th: 16th annual Uxbridge Senior Center Golf Outing, sponsored by the Uxbridge Elderly Connection at Whitinsville Golf Club, starting at 12 PM
- v. Pan-Mass Challenge through Uxbridge Saturday, August 6th; thank you to the Police Department for their assistance with this!
- 3) <u>CITIZENS' FORUM</u> no one wished to speak

4) TOWN MANAGER UPDATE

- a) Cresco Labs Odor Mitigation: letter sent from Town Counsel
- b) Leases in progress that should be ready to sign for the August 29th meeting:
 - i) UYSL: Town is responsible for porta potties and snow plowing in the winter
 - ii) Hay & Harrow: no bids submitted complete, no further action
 - iii) North Uxbridge Fire Museum, Inc.
- c) Planning Board Meeting regarding Sherman Estates: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 7 PM DeMers and Wise to attend
- d) Sunday, September 18th Recycling Day drive-thru at Uxbridge High School; to include recycling for larger items for a fee to be determined and provided at a later date!
- e) Opioid Settlement: First payment to Uxbridge about \$15,000; Zoom on Wednesday, August 11th regarding future settlement payments and how that can be used (overdose prevention, education, etc.) with more information to come
- f) McCloskey Report and Plan to come

5) BUSINESS

a) Blackstone Watershed Collaborative Continuation & Blackstone River Commons Paddle & Public Events

MOTION: Mandile SECOND: Wise

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen recommend approval for an Entertainment License for the Blackstone Valley Cannabis for an event held on Friday, August 19, 2022. All in favor. The motion carried 4-0-0. DeMers-YES, Wise-YES, Mandile-YES, Butler-YES

c) Street Naming Request: Grand View Lane

The Board received a request from the developer for a street to be named Grand View Lane. Michael Boyer, Proposed Street Name Requestor, present to give background on this request and explain the history that led to the name *Grand View Lane*. Boyer's grandfather-in-law, James Nydam, supplied Williams Hill and the surrounding areas with dairy from the 1950s through the 1980s from his farm, known as Grand View Farm. Discussion ensued on the Street Naming Policy & Regulations with Town Manager Steve Sette to read the following excerpt from that Policy, "Street name suggestions that should be given preference for new streets include Veteran names from the Uxbridge Wall of Honor, local historical figure, place or event".

MOTION: Mandile

SECOND: Wise

VOTE: I move that the Board of Selectmen recommend approval for the request to name the street Grand View Lane. All in favor. The motion carried 4-0-0.

DeMers-YES, Wise-YES, Mandile-YES, Butler-YES

d) Board/Committee Appointments:

i) Jillian Andre - Recreation Commission

Jillian Andre was present to express her interest in the Recreation Commission and answer any questions of the Board. Discussion ensued on the Recreation Commission eventually growing into a Recreation Department and what that may entail.

MOTION: Mandile

SECOND: Wise

VOTE: I recommend the Board of Selectmen appoint Jillian Andre to the Recreation Commission for a term to expire on June 30, 2024. All in favor. The motion carried 4-0-0.

DeMers-YES, Wise-YES, Mandile-YES, Butler-YES

ii) Steven Davenport - Historic Cemetery Committee

Steven Davenport, present via Zoom, to express his interest in the Historic Cemetery Committee. Discussion ensued on the commitment involved, with request from Member Wise to return to the Board of Selectmen occasionally to share any historical facts or data Mr. Davenport has learned.

MOTION: Wise

SECOND: Mandile

VOTE: I, John Wise, recommend the Board of Selectmen appoint Steven Davenport to the Historic Cemetery Committee for a term to expire on June 30, 2025. All in favor. The motion carried 4-0-0. DeMers-YES, Wise-YES, Mandile-YES, Butler-YES

e) Donations: Police Department – \$2,512 from Doug Nydam with Nymdam's Landscaping to outfit water rescue gear for police cruisers

Town Manager, Steve Sette, read the Police Department memorandum from Chief Montminy, dated Tuesday, July 26, 2022 that detailed the tragic accident and need for this water rescue gear.

8) <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: NEXT REGULAR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING: **MONDAY, AUGUST 29, 2022.**

MOTION: Wise

SECOND: Mandile

VOTE: to adjourn this August 8, 2022 meeting at 7:17 PM. All in favor. The motion carried 4-

0-0. DeMers-YES, Wise-YES, Mandile-YES, Butler-YES

Minutes respectfully submitted by Alexandra Clauss August 8, 2022 minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen:

Brian Butler, Chair

Peter DeMers, Selectman

August 29, 2022.

Stephen Mandile, Clerk

John Wise, Selectman

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used:

Agenda Packet

Blackstone Watershed Collaborative – Email Correspondence, Draft Resolution

Blackstone River Commons 60-Mile Paddle Expedition and Public Events

The Valley Bean License Packet

Uxbridge Youth Soccer League License Packet

Blackstone Valley Cannabis License Packet

Street Naming Request Packet

Committee Appointment - Talent Bank Forms

Police Department Donation Memorandum

School Leadership Retreat Discussion - Email Correspondence

Meeting Minutes dated: July 11, 2022, July 25, 2022, July 25, 2022 joint meeting with School Committee