

**TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
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21 S. MAIN STREET, UXBRIDGE, MA
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021 6:30 P.M.**

This meeting was held in-person & via Zoom.

RECD UXBRIDGE TOWN CLERK
2022 JAN 17 PM 9:45

Present: Chairman Brian Butler, Members Peter DeMers and John Wise

Not Present: Vice Chairman Jeffrey Shaw and Clerk Stephen Mandile

Also Present: Town Manager Steve Sette, Administrative Assistant Alexandra Clauss

1) CALL TO ORDER – Butler called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2) ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Volunteers needed
- b) Uxcellent News

- Friends of the Cannon, restore WWI cannon on the Common – donations to: VFW Uxbridge
- Uxbridge High School Team/Student Athletic Success: Uxbridge High School Field Hockey and Boys Cross Country, Fall Cheerleaders highest score of the season at MSAA Cheer All-State Meet, and Uxbridge players on Blackstone Valley Tech. Football to Final Four and Fenway Park Thanksgiving games

3) CITIZENS' FORUM – no one wished to speak

4) BUSINESS

MOTION: Wise

SECOND: DeMers

VOTE: to move item e) to the top of the Agenda. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0.

DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE

- a) Revised Precinct Legal Descriptions – vote

Town Clerk, Kelly Cote present to ask the Board to approve the revised Legal Voting Precinct Descriptions.

MOTION: Wise

SECOND: DeMers

VOTE: that the Board of Selectmen approve the Legal Precinct Descriptions as provided by the Town Clerk. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. *DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE*

- b) **PUBLIC HEARING** – Pole Hearings – Continue to 12/20 Meeting
 - i. Mass. Electric Co. to install new poles at 38-48 on Williams Street
 - ii. Joint petition from Mass. Electric Co. & Verizon to install a mid span pole 42-50 on Sutton Street and to relocate poles 32, 39, 41, 42 on Sutton Street

MOTION: Wise

SECOND: DeMers

VOTE: to open the Public Hearing. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. *DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE*

MOTION: Wise

SECOND: DeMers

VOTE: to continue the Public Hearing for the two Pole Hearings for new poles at 38-48 Williams Street by Mass Electric and the joint petition from Mass Electric & Verizon to install a mid-span pole at 42-50 on Sutton Street and to relocate poles 32, 39, 41 and 42. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0.

DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE

- c) Street Name Request: Sherman Way – review, approve

The Public Safety Committee has approved the new street name request of Sherman Way as it meets the Board of Selectmen policy and is named for an Uxbridge Veteran currently on the Wall of Honor. Action on this request was

continued to this meeting due to a question on Sherman Way versus Elm Street Extension. Here with Turning Point Engineering and as a representative of the applicant, Stephen O'Connell provided the Board with further background.

MOTION: DeMers **SECOND:** Wise

VOTE: to deny the request of the applicant for the name of Sherman Way and continue this development as a continuation of Elm Street. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE

- d) Extension of Road Closure for Albee Road culvert construction to 12/17/21

Sette expressed the need to extend road closure for the repair of the Albee Road culvert repair until December 17th. Discussion ensued and Board Member DeMers reviewed importance of work completion and communication on such.

MOTION: DeMers **SECOND:** Wise

VOTE: to approve the road closure extension from December 7, 2021 to December 17, 2021 for Albee Road. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE

- e) Pine Ridge Estates - Proposal for 36 home single-family residential development pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 40B located at 354 & 358 Douglas Street – review

The developer provided the Board with an overview of a 40B LIP project they're proposing for 354 and 358 Douglas Street. Stephen O'Connell, Turning Point Engineering, on behalf of Eastland Partners, with Chad Boardman, Eastland Partners *General Manager*, and Clayton Williams, Eastland Partners *Director, Planning & Sustainability* reviewed PowerPoint and answered questions on this affordable housing project. Discussion ensued among the Board on impact to Town and changes the Board would like to see before their approval of partnership on the project.

- f) Board/Committee Reappointments: Board of Registrars – vote
 - i. Constance Bair-Thompson, term through March 31, 2023
 - ii. Mary Anderson, term through March 31, 2024

Brief discussion ensued on appointments of the Board of Registrars being done in accordance with election cycles.

MOTION: Wise **SECOND:** DeMers

VOTE: that the Board of Selectmen re-appoint Constance Bair-Thompson to the Board of Registrars for the term through March 31, 2023 and appoint Mary Anderson to the Board of Registrars for a term to end March 31, 2024. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE

- g) Donations: COA - Lennie & Marcia Metcalf, 300 Richardson Street, \$300 In Memory of Leonard Metcalf

The Council on Aging received a \$300 donation from Lennie and Marcia Metcalf in memory of Leonard Metcalf. The Board of Selectmen extend gratitude to Lennie and Marcia Metcalf for their generosity in Leonard's memory.

MOTION: Wise **SECOND:** DeMers

VOTE: that the Board of Selectmen accept the \$300.00 donation from Lennie and Marcia Metcalf in memory of Leonard Metcalf with Thanks. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE

- h) 2022 License Renewals – vote
 - i. 2022 Alcohol, Auto Amusement, Common Victualler, Class I-III, Entertainment, Precious Metals
 - ii. Surrender of Beer & Wine On-Premise License: Papa Gino's

Annually the Town approves various Alcohol, Common Victualler, Class I-III, Amusement, Entertainment, Innholders and Precious Metal licenses, provided their paperwork is complete and there are no other outstanding issues that need attention. Brief discussion ensued among the Board to ensure all License Renewals had been fully vetted. The Board discussed an amendment to the Class III Licenses to add a Hazardous Materials stipulation, noted in Vote.

MOTION: Wise **SECOND:** DeMers

VOTE: that the Board of Selectmen approve that the table under 4 H subsection (i) be submitted for renewal of licenses pending resolution of all inspections, taxes due, and any other outstanding issues for all Alcohol, Auto Amusement, Entertainment, Common Victualler, Class I-III, and Precious Metals Dealer licenses with the stipulation that the Board receives notice at the first meeting in January that all are up-to-date or the license will not be issued; with the stipulation of Class III to include evidence of reclamation program for Hazardous Materials. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. *DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE*

*** The following motion was made after Business Agenda item (i) after the Board re-visited the discussion.**

MOTION: Wise **SECOND:** DeMers

VOTE: that the Board of Selectmen accept the surrender of the Beer and Wine On-Premises License from Papa Gino's Inc. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. *DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE*

i) 2022 BOS Meeting Dates – discussion

Sette provided background on the 2022 proposed Board of Selectmen meeting dates and DeMers proposed changing the BOS meetings to Tuesday nights. This discussion will continue at the next regularly scheduled Board of Selectmen meeting: Monday, December 20, 2021. *** The Board went back to re-visit the discussion on Business Agenda item (h) 2022 License Renewals, subsection (ii.) Surrender of Beer & Wine On-Premise License: Papa Gino's**

j) Zoom Meeting Option – discussion

Brief discussion ensued on the pros and cons of allowing Zoom access to Board of Selectmen meetings. The Board will continue this discussion at the next regularly scheduled meeting to speak with and include all Board Members.

5) TOWN MANAGER UPDATE

- a) First Holiday Night – what a success; thanks, and kudos to everyone involved!
- b) Over the last week: Budget Sub. Committee Participation; Department Head Meeting; final interviews for Treasurer/ Collector; potential Town Accountant applicant; strong candidate for Conservation Agent
- c) Review of Proposed Tax Rate, originally presented by Town Assessor, Ken O'Brien

6) MEMBER ISSUES & COMMENTS

- a) DeMers regarding Kudos: First Holiday Night, Public Safety, and the amazing clean up throughout and after the event; church on Main Street and removal of scaffolding; Fire Station Holiday Spirit and Decorating

7) MEETING MINUTES

October 14, 2021 Minutes

MOTION: Wise **SECOND:** DeMers

VOTE: to approve the Board of Selectmen meeting minutes on Thursday, October 14, 2021. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. *DeMers-AYE, Wise-AYE, Butler-AYE*

8) ADJOURNMENT: NEXT REGULAR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING: **MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2021**

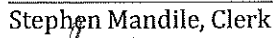
MOTION: Wise **SECOND:** DeMers

VOTE: to adjourn this December 6, 2021 meeting at 8:18 PM. All in favor. The motion carried 3-0-0. *DeMers-YES, Wise-YES, Butler-YES*

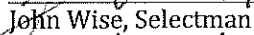
Minutes respectfully submitted by Alexandra Clauss
December 6, 2021 minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen:



Brian Butler, Chair



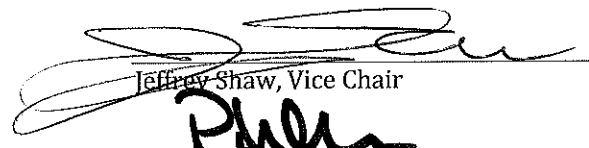
Stephen Mandile, Clerk




John Wise, Selectman



Date



Jeffrey Shaw, Vice Chair



Peter DeMers, Selectman

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used:

Agenda Notes

Sherman Way Street Naming Packet

Municipal Impact Analysis PowerPoint

Revised Precinct Legal Descriptions Packet

Email Correspondence: Town Clerk, Board of Registrar Appointments

Town Clerk, Council on Aging Donation

2022 License Renewals Packet

2022 Proposed Meeting Dates: Board of Selectmen

Minutes Dated: October 14, 2021