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PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY September 30, 2019

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Minutes of the Uxbridge Planning Board regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, September 30, 2019, at 10:00 A.M. in the Accounting Conference Room, 2nd Floor, 21 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA.

Present: James Smith, Chairman; Barry Desruisseaux, Vice-Chairman; Barry Hauck, Clerk; Joseph Leonardo, Meinber: Eli Laverdiere, Member.

Also present: Michael Gallerani, Economic Development Coordinator/Community Planner and Lynn Marchand, Land Use Administrative Assistant.

I. CALL TO ORDER

It being approximately 10:00 a.m., the meeting being properly posted, duly called, and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by the Chair.

II. BUSINESS

1. October 22, 2019 Special Town Meeting (STM) Warrant Article

a. Review, discuss and vote on language for a Planning Board sponsored Article related to Blackstone Street wellfield/Route 16 water loop.

A member of FinCom and a member of the BOS were present; Mr. Patrick Hannon and Mr. Jeffrey Shaw. Mr. Hannon stated he would be recording the meeting. The Chair acknowledged.

Mr. Desruisseaux stated the PB was taking an active role as the Town could lose out on business if action wasn't taken now, to update infrastructure, which would benefit both residents and businesses. He informed the Board of the various departments he had reached out to while researching. He read the proposed language for the Article into record.

Discussion was had by all members on the language of the Article, the financial impact if the Town doesn't take action/a proactive approach, and supplemental funding options (grants, developer contributions, etc). Discussion was had regarding the proposed filter hose, known challenges, and both immediate and long term benefits.

The Board modified the Article language and the Chair opened the meeting to public comment. Mr. Shaw stated that even if it (the proposed Article) was not perfect, it was still something rather than doing study after study and doing nothing and stated it could improve water production including to fire hydrants. Mr. Hannon commented that revolving accounts are supposed to be approved every year at Town Meeting and he said that is not currently being done. He also commented that \$2 million of enterprise money had gone into the general fund.

Mr. Hauck suggested to the Board that a professional be present during Town Meeting to control the narrative/prevent going off-topic from the spirit of the proposed Article. Mr. Laverdiere commented that there would be a negative impact if the Town didn't take action. Regarding using funds from marijuana facilities, the Chair and Vice Chair remarked about the multiple current cannabis facilities in that area of Town and that they require a lot of water.

After final comments were made and suggestions regarding the proposed wording, the Vice Chair revised the language, it was read by the Board and members of the public present, and a Motion was made.

MOTION I: to send the Warrant Article as written to the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Motion was seconded by Mr. Leonardo. Motion carried 5-0-0.



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- III. ANY OTHER BUSINESS, which may lawfully come before the Board
- IV. ADJOURNMENT: <u>NEXT PLANNING BOARD MEETING</u>, <u>WEDNESDAY</u>, <u>OCTOBER 9, 2019</u>
 MOTION I: to adjourn the meeting made by Mr. Desruisseaux. Motion was seconded by Mr. Hauck.
 Motion carried 5-0-0. The Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:15 a.m.

James Smith, Chairman

Barry Desruisseaux, Vice-Chair

Barry Hauck, Clerk

Planning Board Signatures

Joseph Leonardo, Member

Elf-Laverdiere, Member