



TOWN OF UXBRIDGE  
**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01569

Chairman: Marc Montminy, Chief of Police  
Benn S. Sherman, Director DPW  
Frank Tiano, School Superintendent  
Angie Ellison, Town Manager  
Tom Dion, Interim Fire Chief

## MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING DATE:** January 16, 2019  
**MEETING LOCATION:** Uxbridge Police Department, 275 Douglas Street

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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| Marc Montminy | Chief of Police       |
| Benn Sherman  | Director DPW          |
| Frank Tiano   | School Superintendent |
| Angie Ellison | Town Manager          |
| Tom Dion      | Interim Fire Chief    |

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

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| Jeanne Daley | Recording Secretary PSC |
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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

It being 1:36 pm, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman, Marc Montminy.

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Approval of Minutes:**

a.) December 18, 2018 tabled to next meeting.

**B. Emergency Management Update**

Town Manager discussed the Emergency Management with the committee and relative to the Public Information. She is looking to make sure it is streamlined under the Police Chief. There are alternative options and looking at the present Emergency Manager. She is working on coming up with the best scenario to merge the community. A discussion was held on using the McCloskey School as the emergency management operations center. The committee also discussed that they needed to explore a potential of hiring a temporary intern to survey surrounding communities who would be interested in regionalizing emergency management.

**C. CODE RED Reverse 911 Update.**

Chief has taken the responsibility as site administrator and has also included authorization to include the PIO, Benn and Tom Dion. He would like to keep a small group and someone on the committee has to know if there is an emergency management reverse 911 that has to go out to the community. Chief did the online Demo for CODE RED.

**D. PIO**

Angie and Chief Montminy want her to touch base with all department once a week to find out if any of the departments have any concerns and keep her in the loop. She needs to go to each



department, communicating face to face. The Chief will reach out to Melanie and explain the needs that are expected of her from the departments.

**E. Social Media Archiving update.**

Chief brought up a couple of companies that will archive the town's social media. He also said that Angie brought up the possibility of turning off other people's ability to post on your social media. Chief verified with the secretary of state that you are responsible for anything you post and anything anyone else posts on your social media page. You have the obligation of backing up your social media and archiving it or shutting it off to other people's comments. Frank Tiano said that you turn off comments. It is not a conversation it is the school giving information. Chief said the police department has people posting complaints on Facebook that should be called in to the department. The Town does not have a social media policy only the police department has one. This will be further discussed at the next meeting.

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Veterans Parkway – Parking issue.**

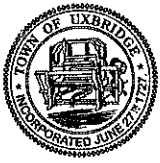
Chief Montminy discussed this with the committee explaining this is a narrow road that has head in parking on the left but people parking on the right constricts the drivers from driving though and getting out and it also restricts the fire department from getting into the street. Tom Dion said the resident did go see him and he said it is an issue. He told her the BOS are the ones who take requests for the stop signs. He told her to send the BOS what the issues are and they will forward it to the Public Safety Committee. The Chief said that he has ordered his officers to check the area couple of times a day and ticket anyone that are parked where they should not be. The Public Safety Committee can recommend to the Board of the Selectmen. Marc Montminy asked Angie if she could ask the BOS what their pleasure is to this.

**B. Marijuana Facilities being open.**

Caroline's Cannabis will be starting up soon. The question is how many people will be coming in and the other issue is how much parking. This will be discussed at next month's meeting.

**C. COP SYNC.**

Chief had Patrick look into COPS SYNC and they found out that they are apparently they are going out of business. Cannot support their users, Chief is concerned that the application will fail and stop working. Chief said that Patrick recommended an application called RAVE. RAVE smart 911 is in 1800 dispatch centers in 40 states. Since 2013 there has been an average of 1 school shooting a week in this country. This application provides phase 2 location which some PSAP's do not have. Phase 1 is where the Triangulation of towers puts you. Phase 2 is your location using a GPS device. It alerts the dispatcher and anyone else you want notified. It uses a geo fencing. They put a parameter around the area and instead of saying 300 Quaker highway it will show whatever the geo fencing area is. The App has to be loaded, the panic button app is facility based and the cost would be \$2,000 per school per year \$1,200 initial set up fee and Town Hall would be free. Panic



app goes on the devices and teachers put it on their mobile phones. Not anyone can download the app. It sends a message and an email. If you don't have an app it will just send an email. The 2<sup>nd</sup> app is the call center enhancement. Angie will be going to MMA Conference and she will see if there is any other type of CODE RED Companies with panic button features. Chief will get a demo and compare it to the current CODE RED.

**IV. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 2:44pm

Motion – Chief Marc Montminy

Seconded – Benn Sherman


Motion carried 5-0-0




Minutes respectfully submitted by **Jeanne Daley**.

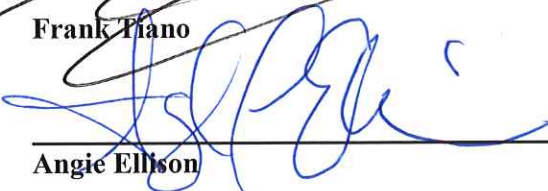
Minutes approved by Public Safety Committee **Date Approved:** March 19, 2019

  
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**Marc Montminy, Chair**

  
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