#### TOWN OF UXBRIDGE



# **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01569

Chairman: Marc Montminy, Chief of Police Benn S, Sherman, Director DPW Frank Tiano, School Superintendent Tom Dion, Interim Fire Chief Peter Hechenbleikner, Interim Town Mgr

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# **MEETING MINUTES**

MEETING DATE:

May 21, 2019

**MEETING LOCATION:** 

Uxbridge Police Department, 275 Douglas Street

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Marc Montminy

Chief of Police

Benn Sherman

Director DPW

Tom Dion

Interim Fire Chief.

## **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Jeanne Daley

Recording Secretary PSC

Travis Ann DoRosario

4th of July/ Town Common Use/ Dog Park

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

It being 9:02 am, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman, Marc Montminy.

## II. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

# A. Approval of Minutes:

a.) April 16, 2019

\*\*\* Motion by Marc Montminy to accept the minutes of the March 19, 2019 Public Safety Meeting. Seconded by Benn Sherman. Motion carried 3-0-0.

## III. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Travis DoRosario

- 1.) 4th of July Celebration July 6th, rain date July 7, 2019
- 2.) Town Common Use We are Uniquely Uxbridge 7th Annual Vendor Fair.
- 3.) Gate/Fence for entry to Dog Park.
  - 1.) Ms. DoRosario informed the committee that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event starts at 5:00 pm on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 with a rain date of July 7th. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> year that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event is held and the second year it is being held at the McCloskey field. Travis said that there were no complaints from last year. They had a 300 foot buffer from the crowd using the snow fence. There were no parking signs on one side of Oak St. and also on Warsaw Street which is a private road.

Tom Dion spoke to Deputy Steve Tancrell who is the fire inspector and Steve said last year everything was great and no issues. He did mention at the end of the show the gate closer to McCloskey was closed and a large crowd gathered there to leave making it difficult for them to get out because it caused a bottle neck effect. It was recommended that a couple of people stage there to open the gate and let people out.

Travis was recommending that McCloskey be made a parking area for just handicap people. Chief Montminy said he was concerned about making such a big area with 118 parking spots just handicap. Chief said one way or another there will be handicap parking



spots. Discussion held on handicap parking at McCloskey and also how many spaces needed for elderly and handicap parking. They will need to have people there to monitor the front spots for handicap and elderly parking. They also discussed Taft School and having handicap nearest to the park.

Travis said as far as radios they will need 5 for their staff. Tom Dion said that he can put up an antenna on the light towers for better reception and they will use the school channel.

Travis said for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event there are police details, mostly 3-4 but last year was high due to the change of location for fireworks. Chief explained to Travis that she is responsible for contacting the Police station to order police details and to call early because it is a busy time of year.

Last year they hired a company to monitor the bounce houses. Travis also asked DPW to put out more trash cans if possible.

Chief Dion said he will contact Bill Kessler to discuss the light towers and which ones are left on during the event and in what location do the towers go. All light towers come on after the event ends for safety. He would also like a spot for the ambulance in case of a call and end of Morrison St. was discussed.

- 2.) Town Common Use for Uniquely Uxbridge, everything will be the same as last year. Chief signed form with approval from the committee and copy to be sent to the Board of Selectmen.
- 3.) Travis rescinded the issue with the gate/entry fence at the dog park

## B. McDonalds using - 200 Quaker Highway as an address:

Tom Dion said Steve asked him to bring this up. The problem is McDonalds continues to use 200 Quaker Highway as their address. This was the original address prior to the town renumbering right after they were built and they are now 10 Monahan Drive. This became an issue when someone made a 911 call from McDonalds using the 200 Quaker Highway address and emergency vehicles responded to the area of 200 Quaker Highway which is after the Quaker Condos. When an emergency calls come in from McDonalds Fire and Police are not responding to the correct area.

Chief Montminy said that Public Safety Committee should send them a letter stating that they are using the wrong address and in the past calls to 200 Quaker Highway could not be found. This could potentially be a hazard if they call in the wrong address. They need to start using Monahan Drive which is their address.

Tom Dion is going to ask Kelly what the business address is for them and see what Ellen has on file for a business address. Chief Montminy will go to McDonalds to talk with them about their address. He is concerned about this issue. Tom Dion will also go to McDonalds and dial from the landline and a cell phone to see what the address is that comes up on the 911 system.



# C. Open trench at 450 River Road.

There was a complaint filed and an inspector went out to 450 River Rd. where there was an unprotected trench in violation of MGL 320 CMR 14, open excavation. They did an investigation, acted and fined the contractor. They determined that the Town of Uxbridge is utilizing three separate permitting authorities.

Benn wants to know the logical place for excavating permits. He said the excavator is the responsible party. Chief Montminy would like to meet with Larry Lench and Benn to discuss the responsibilities and wants the town to comply. Chief asked Benn to review legislation on this. They are saying that the Town of Uxbridge has to have 1 issuing authority. Benn will reach out to Larry Lench and come up with a recommendation. A discussion was had on permit tracking systems.

# IV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.

Motion – Tom Dion Seconded – Benn Sherman Motion carried 3-0-0



Minutes respectfully submitted by <b>Jeanne Da</b> Minutes approved by Public Safety Committed	aley. ee Date Approved: 6/18/2019
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