



TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01569

Chairman Chief William Kessler, Fire Dept.
Benn S. Sherman, Director DPW
Frank Tiano, School Superintendent
Marc Montminy, Chief of Police
Angie Ellison, Town Manager

DEC 18 '18 PM 4:30

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: October 23, 2018
MEETING LOCATION: Uxbridge Police Department, 275 Douglas Street

Received by
Uxbridge
Town Clerk

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Benn Sherman	Uxbridge DPW Director
Marc Montminy	Uxbridge Chief of Police
William Kessler	Uxbridge Fire Chief

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley	Recording Secretary PSC
Holly Gallerani	Uxbridge 1 st Holiday Night
Tom Bellacqua	Uxbridge 1 st Holiday Night
Greg MacPherson	Forest Glenn Project

I. CALL TO ORDER

It being 9:20 am, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by William Kessler.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Minutes:

September 18, 2018 minutes passed over.

B. New Name for High Street Extension

This will remain on for next meeting.

C. New name for the streets in the Forest Glen Project – Spring Hill Drive

Greg MacPherson resubmitted names at the last meeting for the F;
Walter Edwards and Harvey Spaulding.

**** Motion by Marc Montminy that the Public Safety Committee submit to the Board of Selectmen, an opinion that these names do not appear to conflict with any existing names. Seconded by Benn Sherman. Motion carried 3-0-0**

D. Traffic Concerns on Rogerson Crossing.

Chief Montminy was out to look at site lines and the lack of a stop sign. He explained that the issue is that there has not been a T intersection and residents have to adjust to this intersection. Residents also have to get used to the truck traffic coming the other way. He said that the best solution is to open the site line opposite the turn. The other option is a stop sign but Benn said that people do not pay attention to signs. Benn was on the MUTCD page and viewed the stop sign warrants and read it to the committee. Stop signs are not intended for the control of speed, traffic calming, and turning or movement accidents. Benn said that they can do some trimming. Chief Montminy said by Mooreland there is a site line that stops them from seeing any traffic coming down the street and the DPW can only clear it if the Town has a right of way. Chief



Kessler explained that the Town does not have the authority to order a resident to improve the site line only if there is an established by-law or some regulation they have violated.

Per Bill Kessler – For the minutes and the resident, he will get in touch with the resident and let him know that the DPW will go out and do a roadside cleaning within the Town's right of way for that road.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Committee Re-organization

Discussion was held on who would be the chairperson.

**** Motion by Benn Sherman that the next Chairperson for the Public Safety Committee be Chief Marc Montminy. Seconded by Bill Kessler. Motion carried 3-0-0**

B. Susan VanderZicht traffic concerns William St. and Rawson St.

The complaint is that the traffic on Williams St. is too fast and when they are riding horses in that area on the road the speed of the traffic startles the horses. Chief Montminy to talk with Sergeant Burke about putting the speed trailer up in the area, he believes that the trailer has been up there. Chief Kessler has notified her twice about the meetings and she has not attended.

C. First Holiday Night Committee

Will be held on Saturday, December 1st. Tom said they have a few weeks to go to see if the fireworks will happen due to the lack of donations. They are coming in but slow, and fireworks are on the table at this time a decision will be made on November 1st. Chief Montminy asked where the fireworks are launched and at what time. They are launched behind BUMA's Funeral Home at 7:40 p.m. and it is a 15 minute display with 3 to 5 inch shells. Fire Fighter detail is required while shells are on scene. Fire details are there from somewhere between 11 and 2 and remain on scene until they confirm there are no misfires and they also do a night time sweep and then a first day light sweep the next day.

Streets are closed by Khapi's, at North Main and Rivulet St. at 3pm for the floats and participants to come in. There is an officer at North Main and one down by the end of Rivulet. Parade steps off at 4:30 and fire trucks will line up on Elm St Extension. Chief Montminy will talk to Sergeant Burke on these details.

Tom and Holly have spoken with the businesses on North Main Street to inform them of the parade and how it will affect their businesses for a couple of hours.

Chief Montminy asked about an after action report. Streets close at 3:00 pm parade steps off at 4:30, parade ends in the ball park of 5:30. Bill Kessler explained to Chief Montminy how the parade is set up and what streets are closed at 3:00 and how the streets are closed and reopened as the parade moves to the Town Common. Chief Montminy was concerned about tossing candy out to the crowd. Holly said they have sent letters telling them it is not allowed. Chief Kessler explained that as the crowd merges to the common the road closures collapse to the center of Town where the community usually watches the fireworks. Also, Chief Kessler explained where the light towers are placed for the safety of Officers and the community. The Parade usually goes during any weather. Chief Montminy suggested that maybe in the future the K-9 could light the tree.

Holly and Tom to send a letter to Mass DOT for road closure and Town Common Use Form has been turned over to Kelly. Chief Montminy has asked that Tom Bellacqua meet with him and Sergeant Burke to discuss the details necessary for the parade.



IV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 Motion – Chief Marc Montminy
Seconded – Bill Kessler
Motion carried 3-0-0

*Minutes respectfully submitted by **Jeanne Daley**.*

Minutes approved by Public Safety Committee **Date Approved:** December 18th, 2018

William Kessler, Chair



Benn Sherman



Marc Montminy

Frank Tiano

Angie Ellison