



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

Chairman Chief William Kessler, Fire Dept.  
Benn S. Sherman, Director DPW  
Kevin Carney, School Superintendent  
Timothy Burke, Interim Chief of Police  
Angie Ellison, Town Manager

## MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2018  
**MEETING LOCATION:** Uxbridge Police Department, 275 Douglas Street

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Benn Sherman	Uxbridge DPW Director
Timothy Burke	Uxbridge Acting Chief of Police
Angie Ellison	Uxbridge Town Manager

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

It being 9:09 am, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Benn Sherman.

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Approval of Minutes:**

a. April 17, 2018 – no quorum.

**B. Public Safety Committee Responsibilities.**

This was combined with Article 1 under New Business requested by Town Manager. Committee **discussed** the history and the scope of the Public Safety Committee. Angie discussed to whether it needs to be a public entity and is it something that falls under the Town Manager. Should the Town Manager look at Public Safety concerns and have meetings with the Departments on a monthly basis to see if they had public safety issues that month. This will be tabled until the next meeting for further discussion.

**C. Fourth of July Committee.**

Benn had spoken with Chief Kessler before the meeting and Chief Kessler said they are using new shells that limit the height. His concern was that they could not use the entrance to the Gym. He said he coordinated with Chief Burke and there will be an orange snow fence going up at end of building, east side to the field and out. There is a 200' barrier between the location of the fireworks going off and the crowd to avoid any injuries if they have a one does not go off correctly. They intend to use the entire field for food trucks and entertainment. Fire will have a fire personnel on the roof of McCloskey for fire safety.

Chief Burke met with them and they are trying to get the CERT Team for parking. Granite and Oak are narrow and they are posted NO Parking on one side. He has not heard from them.

Chief Burke told them 3-4 but he prefers 4. 1 on a bike to assist CERT and 2 in the field to assist with issues there and one to assist with the entrances.

The event will take place on July 7, 2018 and gates will open between 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and fireworks at 9:00 p.m.

Police Details will begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 10:00 p.m.



4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee have not contacted DPW for barrels for trash. Benn will contact Travis. Fire is all set, Police is all set and Travis should be contacting CERT for further assistance. Chief Burke said they have McCloskey and Taft for off street parking. At the end of the night Chief said Taft traffic will go North and McCloskey traffic will empty out into the center of Town. This will help alleviate the center of town from becoming a nightmare with traffic.

### III. NEW BUSINESS

**A. Town Manager would like to review / discuss the scope of the Public Safety Committee.**

\*See article B under Old Business.

**B. Review Crosswalks Hannaford's, St., Mary's, Sr. Center and other locations.**

Sgt. Morrisette applied for a crosswalk grant from the Governor which is an education enforcement grant to help educate the public on cross walks. Chief Burke said once they know the grant is secured the department will get Officers' out there and begin enforcement.

Benn will send Chief Burke what has been proposed for the Hannaford's area.

Benn discussed a compliance plan for accessibility for crosswalks.

### IV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:15

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Jeanne Daley.*

*Minutes approved by Public Safety Committee* Date Approved: 6/19/2018

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William Kessler, Chair

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