

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, Fire Chief Steve Sette, Town Mgr.

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE:

October 20, 2020

MEETING LOCATION: Zoom - Conference call meeting

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marc Montminy

Chief of Police

Steve Sette

Uxbridge Town Manager

Benn Sherman

Uxbridge DPW Director

Tom Dion

Uxbridge Fire Chief

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley

Uxbridge Police Department

Michael Baril

Uxbridge Resident

Peter Demers

Uxbridge Resident

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. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Approval of Minutes:

A. September 15, 2020

*** Motion by Steve Sette to approve the meeting minutes of September 15, 2020 seconded by Tom Dion. Roll call taken; all approved motion carried 4-0-0. Potential radio frequency access - Update.

Chief said there was not much on updates but that he reached out to WORAD to come out and look at the site. The one issue is the being able to get the voting information back to the police department. They don't feel there is sufficient line of site for the microwave link so they will do an analysis prior to the purchase of the microwave link purchase to see if that is viable option. Secondary option is to see if Verizon will can run a copper line. They have secured a pole and National Grid will put it in for free.

B. Cross Street - Update

Tom Dion reported the gate got open it stayed open for a couple of days and then someone closed it again. Chief will send a general email out asking the officers to keep it open and Tom Dion will open it again.



C. 0 S Main St. - Naming issue - Update

An email was sent Larry asking him to properly name and number Cannabis Grow and the Solar Panel Company. Larry responded and said that the building department assigns street addresses. But it was not relative to the question and had little to do with the issue. Benn said the applicant is listing it as 290 Millville Road and Tom Dion said that is the address to the front property and the grow is a different parcel in the back.

Resend request and cc manager.

D. Peter Demers – Uxbridge Tree Issues

Peter Demers discussed with the committee trees throughout town that are hanging over and with the power lines in town and since there have been some updates. The most recent micro burst storm brought many trees down through out town. Chief Montminy had a conversation State Representative Mike Soter who asked him what one of our town's greatest need is. Chief told Representative Soter our town needed Grid and others to support the town with tree removal. Representative Soter got a commitment from the governor's office to provide that service to us. They plan on addressing the trees overhanging lines so this does not happen as much in the future. Peter discussed with the committee; the question's Benn answered for him in an email. But his problem is more with a tree falling through someone's windshield. He wanted to know who is responsible for a tree that is overhanging the lines that is 4-5 feet on someone's property. Benn said he was always understood that if it was not on Town property it was not the town's responsibility. Benn indicated the Town need to implement a tree program that closely mimics that of National Grid. The Town needs to determine what the appropriate budget level should be to implement a full tree service program. Benn will check if the state has a state contract and get back to Steve on this.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Mike Legendre – revisit stop sign on Oak St at Warsaw St.

Chief said this was looked at back in January and the conclusion at the time was it was not an intersection. The stop sign exists further down Oak St where it merges with Granite. He is suggesting a stop sign on Oak St. where it intersects with Warsaw and the smaller road across from there because the crosswalk goes through the street. Chief said there is not a sight distance problem for people coming out of Warsaw St but the crosswalk needs to be moved. Benn said the crosswalk should be relocated to cross over the island and then cross Granite St. The committee has agreed that in the meantime Benn will put a flashing yellow light until additional work can be done in that area.

B. Parking restrictions 146A in front of BJ's.

Chief said that BJ's is so busy truckers are not allowed to remain in the lot after they have dropped off their deliveries. Truckers have no where to go after their delivery so they park on the sides of the road until they have to leave again. This causes a problem with traffic when trucks are parked on both sides, also making it difficult for vehicles coming off of 146.



*Motion by Steve Sette seconded by Chief Montminy to recommend to the Board of Selectmen they make the south bound side of Quaker Highway no parking in the areas of the on/off ramps of route 146. All approved motion carried 3-0-1 abstain. Benn Sherman dropped from the meeting.

C. Michael Baril questioned the numbering at the High School and McDonald's. Chief informed Mike Baril that the issue with McDonalds has been addressed in the past and the 911 address for McDonalds has been changed to Monahan Drive.

Mike also informed the committee there is not street numbering in front of the High School and even a reflector would do.

IV. Adjournment

Chief adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m. Tom Dion and Benn Sherman left meeting prior to adjournment.



Minutes respectfully submitted by **Jeanne Daley**. Minutes approved by Public Safety Committee

Date Approved: 2-16-21	
Marc Montminy, Chair	Benn Sherman
Tom Dion	Frank Tiano
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	Steve Sette