

TOWN OF UXBRIDGE

#### PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01569

## MEETING MINUTES

Chairman: Marc Montminy, Chief of Police Benn S. Sherman, Director DPW Tom Dion, Fire Chief Steve Sette, Town Mgr. Patrick Dillon, School Superintendent

MEETING DATE:

September 21, 2021

MEETING LOCATION: UXBRIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT / ZOOM MEETING

275 DOUGLAS ST. TRAINING ROOM

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Marc Montminy

Chief of Police

Steve Sette

Town Manager

Tom Dion

Fire Chief

Benn Sherman

**DPW Director** 

Patrick Dillon

School Superintendent

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** 

Jeanne Daley

Uxbridge Police Department

Peter Demers

Uxbridge Selectman

Stephen O'Connell

on behalf of PTK Real Estate

Jim Smith

#### I. **CALL TO ORDER**

It being 9:05 am, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman, Marc Montminy.

\*Motion made by Steve Sette Seconded by Tom Dion to move New Business article D out of order and the first item to discuss. All approved: Motion carried 4-0-0 **NEW BUSINESS:** 

**D.** Stephen O'Connell – Street Naming – New Subdivision end of Elm St.

Mr. O'Connell on behalf of PTK Real Estate and Jim Smith came before the committee for guidance on proposed street names for a subdivision of 7 single family lots which will be built at the end of Elm St extension. They were looking to change the name of Elm Street extension to a name they would propose but Chief Montminy explained that changing existing road names is not part of the Public Safety's scope of items to discuss.

Peter Demers pointed out to Chief Montminy that agenda item D was not on the original agenda that was posted and this would be in violation of the Open Meeting Laws. Steve Sette said items D, E and F cannot be acted on or discussed at the meeting and will need to be discussed at next month's meeting. Discussion on this item was closed and will be brought up at next month's meeting. Steve Sette explained that the Committee will have to take all new items under advisement and taken up at the next posted meeting for the general public so they have an opportunity to discuss their approval, support or concerns of the project.



#### **OLD BUSINESS**

### A. Approval of Minutes: 08-26-2021

To be completed at the next monthly meeting.

#### II. NEW BUSINESS:

#### A. Tom Dion - Bracci Lane / West Hill Rd. Extension.

Tom explained that the issue is Bracci Lane exists in Uxbridge, the first 4 homes are in Uxbridge. If you google 47 West Hill Road, Uxbridge it puts you by Harrington Pond because West Hill Road at one time used to extend to the right-hand side. The second house on the street their mailing address is 47 West Hill Rd., extension, Mendon but their actual legal name is Bracci Lane, Uxbridge. When they call 911 it goes to West Hill Road, Mendon, but the resident never mentioned Bracci Lane, Uxbridge. The other problem is having to travel through Northbridge and Mendon to get to these addresses. IMC has no Bracci Lane or West Hill Rd., extension. In the past Fire had an agreement that dispatch would send Mendon first to these addresses.

Tom said there are 2 issues. Get information on Bracci Lane into the system to dispatch Mendon and the second to identify in IMC that these addresses are Uxbridge addresses.

Tom said this is a very confusing section of Town and that google cannot be fixed. Chief Montminy said that IMC and 911 Data can be fixed.

Chief Montminy said that he, Tom Dion and Lt. Burke will get together to discuss this further and work it out and any further issue public safety needs to address it will be brought back on.

### B. Rob Maguire - 331 E. Hartford Avenue.

Benn told the Committee members that he looked at this issue. Tom Dion backed into the driveway and sat and watched the traffic to see how hard it was to get out. Tom could see the traffic almost to the curve. Most traffic was traveling at regular speed and did not pose a problem, however, if they traveled any faster he could see a problem with trying to exit the driveway.

Chief said the Police Department will run radar up there and Benn will run a site distance and clear as much as they can and try to make site distance sufficient. This will be discussed at the next meeting for update.

# C. Glen Matheson - Blasting / Speeding - Hazel St.

Chief feels that the police and public safety has spent more time on Hazel St. and the Police do not have authority over blasting. Tom Dion said all blasting and problems from the blasting go through the Fire Department. Tom said seismographs are used to measure the effects and they report on the results. Every blast has complied from the Fire Department's stand point. Mr. Matheson has called the Fire Department. He was given a Fire Department form from the State to fill out attesting to damages of his property. These forms are completed and then given to the homeowner's insurance and the blaster to send to their insurance company. They then get together and determine if the damage is current and caused from the blasting. Tom said they



have also received a lot of complaints about the dust but this does not fall under the fire department. Issues with the dust and noise should go through Planning and Conservation.

\*\*\*\*\* Motion by Steve Sette, seconded by Marc Montminy that the other 3 new agenda items D, E and F be the first part of new items for the next meeting A, B and C. All approved: Motion carried 4-0-0

### III. Adjournment

Chief entertained a motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:51am, Tom Dion moved the motion seconded by Benn Sherman. All approved; roll call taken 4-0-0.

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

Date Approved: 10 24 2021	<u>.                                    </u>
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Marc Montminy, Chair	Benn Sherman
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Tom Dion	Steve Sette
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