



TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01569

Chairman: Marc Montminy, Chief of Police
Steve Sette, Town Manager
Benn S. Sherman, Director DPW
Tom Dion, Fire Chief
Dr. Michael Baldassarre, School
Superintendent

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: May 16, 2023
MEETING LOCATION: Uxbridge Police Department – Training Room

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marc Montminy	Chief of Police
Benn Sherman	Uxbridge DPW
Steve Sette	Uxbridge Town Manager
Michael Baldassarre	Uxbridge School Superintendent

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2023 JUN 5 AM 9:57

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley	Recording Secretary PSC
Henry Cook	FAFARD Resident

I. CALL TO ORDER

Time being 9:01 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.

Approve minutes of April 4, 2023 minutes:

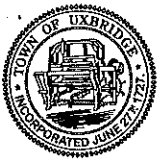
**** Motion made by Michael Baldassarre to approve the minutes of April 4, 2023, seconded by Steve Sette. Approved, motion carried 3-0-1. Steve Sette was not in attendance.**

Approve minutes of April 18, 2023. No quorum for approval.

B. Signage for Mendon St., hold until closed out.

Benn said units are hefty need bigger posts and some fine tuning. Benn said there has been concerns over where the signs are going, residents in the area said more incoming traffic. Chief has concerns with where they will be located and a straightaway is where he would tend to put the signs. Benn said the sign is within 500' to where the speed drops to 25 mph. Chief said that could throw off some of the Data. The issue is larger trucks seem to be going

This will stay on for a report from Benn for the next meeting



C. 2nd egress for Uxbridge High School. – Update

Chief said he has in hand the Fuss and O'Neill's report that reviewed several potentials and his suggestion with lack of knowing nothing else is to go with Fuss and O'Neill's recommendation. He asked Benn if there is a reason why we should not go with Fuss and O'Neill. One School Committee member has concerns with the elevation change will be expensive. Chief would like Benn to devote more time and send him an official opinion in writing and he feels the board is ready to decide. Mike was wondering about funding and the Chief said there is no funding now, Steve said the Next opportunity for funding is in the Fall. Mike's concerns are site distance, whether will it be gated, winter snow impact, and funding.

Benn will send a recommendation to the Chief by the end of the day.

D. Duchess / Crownshield E-mail 11-28-2022 relative to pipes and wires exposed and request for solar speed limit sign. Benn Sherman and Fire Chief to report back.

Steve said that FAFARD did cap four and could not locate two of them and Deputy Tancrell went out with them to locate them. Solar panels are not in the plan.

This can be removed.

Henry Cook a resident of FAFARD, was in to see if National Grid would come in and run a service. Steve said that this is something he will take back to the developer who is handling that development. Steve told him to send him the information and he will forward the information to his contact at National Grid.

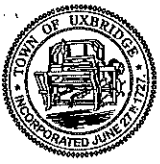
E. State Park and Bridge Safety – Update

Chief sent a letter to the select board because they were to form a committee They decided to form a committee and someone from Public Safety should be on the committee. The members will be a Selectboard member, Town Manager, a Public Safety member, and 1 town resident who they believe should be Mr. McGuire and Chief Montminy. Steve Sette the charge will be accepted at the nest meeting and the formation of the committee will then be completed and this can come off at the next meeting.

III NEW BUSINESS

A. Speeding on Hazel St., 5/03/2023 received call for radar in the area of 451 – Chief Montminy had Officers set up radar on 5/4/2023. On 5/3/2023 Sgt. Sullivan had an officer in the area and there was no speeding activity.

Chief said there was radar on the street for 3 days in a row with no reports of speeding. Also put out the radar signs with no finding of speeding conditions. The road is scheduled for 2 of the new speed signs. The resident's concerns are not vehicles they are commercial vehicle concerns. Benn will reach out to Bob in Douglas because he is concerned about



the reason for Hazel Street and not straight down West Hartford Ave. Waiting for report back from Benn at next meeting.

B. Request for a traffic study and assessment of the speed limit on E. Hartford Ave.

A traffic study has already been completed on E. Hartford Ave. Chief will ask Benn to review this and see if the speed can be reduced to 30 mph. Once again this is a commercial vehicle traffic issue. The causeway cannot accommodate two commercial vehicles on the causeway coming in different directions at the same time. Benn will check and see what the criteria are for the speed limit. He said there could be a sign there but they may not have done a speed study to establish the speed zone for that area.

C. Resident requesting stop sign at the Intersection of Farnum Street and Carney.

Benn said Farnum St., is a dead-end street about 500' up from Douglas St. It is a minor town road exiting out onto Carney which is a minor primary street. This was discussed before and a stop sign was put up on Farnum St. Benn said there is no stop sign warranted here. If anything, it is a candidate to put a radar sign further up on Carney St., to make people aware of the speed. Benn said this will be part of the sign replacement program.

D. FAFARD's Uxbridge Community – Address signs.

Chief suggests looking at their proposed signage. They have put up a connector road and the fire department is satisfied with that. Steve Sette said that the Assessor is ok with the signage also. The committee has no problem with the signage.

IV. ADJOURN

****Chief Montminy entertained a motion to adjourn at 9:41 a.m., seconded by Steve Sette, All approve – motion carried 4-0-0.**




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

Date Approved: 6-29-23



Marc Montminy, Chair




Benn Sherman

Tom Dion



Dr. Michael Baldassarre



Steve Sette