

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:

July 28, 2020

MEETING LOCATION:

Conference call meeting

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

Peter Demers

Uxbridge Finance Committee

Michael Baril

Uxbridge Resident

I. CALL TO ORDER

It 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:

a.) May 19, 2020

*** Motion by Benn Sherman to approve the meeting minutes of May 19, 2020 seconded by Steve Sette. Roll call taken; all approved motion carried 4-0-0.

b.) June 10, 2020

*** Motion by Ton Dion to approve the meeting minutes of June 10, 2020 seconded by Steve Sette. Roll call taken; all approved motion carried 4-0-0.

B. Key access to Town Property - Update.

Chief Montminy said the key access issue is still ongoing. Mailed the keys to the supplier but during that time COVID-19 hit and the company has never gotten back to the Chief. Chief Montminy sent an email yesterday inquiring about the status of the order and if he does not hear from them, he will call them. He ordered 15 keys and Tom Dion said he will send the Chief the hierarchy on the keys. Chief Montminy said if he cannot find a reliable source for the keys the Town will need to find another vendor.



C. Potential Radio frequency access - update.

Police Department has acquired a new frequency. Mike Baril gave the committee an update and discussed where they are at now.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Progressive Club - Temporary outdoor seating.

Chief Montminy and Steve Sette approved their plan. Chief called them to get a more concise detail of what their intentions were. Some of their issues were not Public Safety related. They plan on using cattle fencing to control the safety within the seating area from traffic.

B. Email request July 6, 2020 – Mark Stevens, 390 Douglas St. RE: Speeding Issues.

The resident said the truck traffic and excessive speed make his house shake. Benn said the cross trenches have been there for many years. The road needs work and but it is a long way out until Douglas Street is completed. Chief will set up signage and traffic enforcement.

Chief had a question about the Serendipity project and gas station project. Chief wanted to know how close the driveways are to each other. Benn said they are basically right across the street from each other. Residents from Taft Hill are concerned about how this will affect them. Chief Montminy has a concern because public safety uses 146 to get to the other half of the town. How will the Tractor Trailer units be exiting and entering the gas station effect this? Peter Demers also had a question about how these projects will affect the paving and Benn said that it will definitely be affected. Discussion was held on these items.

C. Email request July 4, 2020 – Norm Chapdelaine, N Main St. RE: "No Jake Braking" sign request.

Concerned about excessive noise from motorcycles, and neighborhood has been taunted by loud noise from the large trucks and 18 wheelers jake braking. This was discussion about which part of N Main Street this was. The essence of his complaint has to do with loud noise and traffic. This is a center route through town and there is loud noise with traffic. Tom Dion said the Jake Breaking should not make that much noise in that area. Steve Sette said jake breaking is more for residential area's and once this road is done will help to prevent this noise. The traffic through the center of town is problematic just due to the geometry of the Town. The turns in the center are not designed for large tractor trailer trucks.

Benn to forward an email to MASS DOT and see what recommendations they have and what they can do for us. Chief will send enforcement up to that area for speed.



D. Email request June 17th, 2020 – Jane Mitchell, N Main St., resident RE: Cross walk request end of Hazel St. across Route 122.

This has to do with crosswalks across 122 in the area of Cumberland Farms and Bank of America. Benn shared the pavement marking plans for 122. Benn to send this to MASS DOT for consideration and see what they can do for the town. Chief said that is a busy enough area to warrant two crosswalks. Benn to mark it up and send to the resident engineer at MASS DOT.

E. Cross Street - Tom Dion.

Tom's concern is the turn from Mendon St onto Oak St. it is tight. They are asking for No Parking signs when you first turn onto Oak St. Chief asked if there was a no parking sign on either side would that help.

Tom asked if they could consider taking the gate down at Morrison Street and it would give them and alternate route.

Steve Sette suggested that the committee take a look at Chief Dion's suggestion and continue discussion at the next meeting.

IV. Adjournment

Meeting to adjourn 9:50 a.m.

Motion – Benn Sherman Seconded – Tom Dion Roll call taken all approved. Motion carried 4-0-0



Minutes respectfully submitted by Jeanne Daley . Minutes approved by Public Safety Committee	
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Marc Montminy, Chair	Benn Sherman
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Tom Dion	Frank Tiano
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