



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: January 24, 2023
MEETING LOCATION: Uxbridge Police Department – Training Room

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marc Montminy	Chief of Police
Tom Dion	Deputy Fire Chief
Steve Sette	Uxbridge Town Manager
Paul Hutnak	DPW

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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley	Recording Secretary PSC
Peter Demers	Select board member
Barry Desruisseaux	School Committee Member
Paul Fleming	Fuss and O'Neill
Tyler	Fuss and O'Neill
Matt	Fuss and O'Neill

I. CALL TO ORDER

It being 9:00 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.

Minutes from the December 20th, 2022 meeting minutes were tabled to the next meeting.

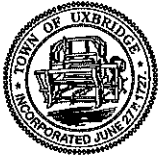
Steve Sette motioned to table the Executive Session meetings of December 20, 2022, be tabled to the next Public Safety Meeting due to no quorum to approve, this was seconded by Marc Montminy. All approved, motion carried 4-0-1

B. Line of site, traffic concerns, and sidewalk along 146A at the High School entrance Rt. 146 NV Flashing Intersection Ahead sign and traffic signal at the High School.

The mast arm is up and there is no power to it. National Grid must do hookups. This will be removed as soon as National Grid has them connected to power.

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

Paul informed the committee that DPW has received the signs but the poles have not come in yet. When poles are in they will be put up in the spring.



D. 2nd Egress for Uxbridge High School. – Update

**** Motion by Steve Sette to hold this agenda item open until Fuss & O'Neil can join the meeting at 9:30. Seconded by Marc Montminy.**

All approved, motion carried 4-0-1

Paul Fleming from Fuss and O'Neill presented three options to the committee. There was much discussion on all options below and other options some being from the back of the High School to route 122. Peter Demers asked what the 5–10-year period is for that area. Paul Morante's concern about entering from the back off 122 is Conservation restrictions. Paul will be sending their presentation to Chief Montminy so he can forward it to committee members.

The three options and pricing are as follows:

Option 1 - Most direct – closest to school drive – lowest in grade. Comes off 146 down to the parking lot. The cost for option 1- is \$250,000 and it is the most effective.

Option 2 – extend the road. Alignment is longer. There will be more cost due to it being a longer road and more pavement and more fill.

The cost for option 2 – is \$350,000.

Option 3 – length is a little shorter than option 2 but it is extremely steep but not by much. The impact is much greater.

The cost of option 3 – is \$300,000.

E. 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.

Police have put the radar sign in that area to collect data.

The issue with wires and pipes exposed. Tom Dion looked at that to see if they can be tapped. He said the wires and pipes she is probably looking at that are protruding the most are on the corner of Kings Forest Path and Crown Shield Way. He assumed someone may have hit it with a plow. He said it is best to dig them up, cut the wires and fill in so it looks like the rest of the area. Chief Montminy asked if that was a DPW project.

**** Chief Montminy asked Paul to reach out to Fafard to ask them to take out the pipes and cut and cap the wires and fill in the area, and if they say no, we go to plan B. For safety reasons, there is no electricity to these and the system is outdated and gone everyone feels comfortable that we do not need the select board's approval to cap them off. If Fafard says no Paul will get back to us.**

**** Motion by Marc Montminy to address the above sanctions, motion was seconded by Steve Sette. All approved, motion carried 4-0-1.**

F. State Park and Bridge Safety – Update

Steve said the Board of Selectmen intended to put together a subcommittee and he will address this at the next meeting on the progress of this.

G. Mill Street Culvert / Bridge E-mail Benn – Update.



Steve said the Mill St Culvert Bridge is still down. Chief Montminy spoke to Benn and they did an Engineering study on how that bridge could be repaired and Benn is looking for a funding source to implement it. Chief feels that it should be on Insurance company and not the Town's dime. Paul said he is sending out a plan to the insurance but not sure they will bring it up to date but will bring the repair up to where it was at the time of the accident.

**** Motion by Steve Sette to move Executive Session H to the end of the meeting, so we can move on to New Business and be ready for Fuss and O'Neill. Seconded by Chief Montminy, all approved. Motion carried 3-0-2.**

III NEW BUSINESS

A. E-mail from Ken on 01-04-2023 concerning Shay Way off 234 Pond St.

Ken O'Brien sent the Chief an email about his concerns on the above matter. His concern was the size of the street sign that the developer put up and he does not think they meet the town specifications and the Chief does not know if this meets the town's specifications. Paul Morante said there is a federal regulation on this and it is called FUTCD. Chief met with the planning board and not sure what is going to happen with this. The plan was not received by the public safety committee. Tom Dion said they also must know how long the drive is. Chief Montminy said this is an issue for Jack Hunter and the planning board. Paul said first they need to see what process of the plan are they in. Chief to get in touch with Jack Hunter and discuss these issues with him.

B. E-mail Douglas Street safety concerns.

Chief said the Police have done radar on Douglas St. and the radar sign has been up on Douglas Street in the past and he will put it up there again. Chief is concerned with the number of trucks traveling through the center of the Town in the past year, there has been a lot of construction but there has not been any. Steve asked about a crosswalk. Chief said there are regulations for a crosswalk. Chief to ask Benn to comment on this. Paul said that they are in the process of having designs done on route 16 and when those are submitted there will be a 25% design hearing that will be advertised. He would be hesitant with those designs coming to anything at this time. Paul said they are putting one of the new radar signs on Douglas St

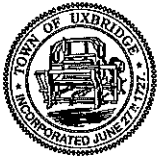
H. Executive Session:

Motion by Steve Sette to enter executive session at 10:25 a.m. to discuss the deployment of security of personnel or devices or strategies with respect thereto; this meeting will be closed at the end of the executive session. Seconded by Marc Montminy.

Roll call was taken to enter executive session. All approved, motion carried 4-0-1.

IV. Adjournment

Adjourn to executive session at 10:25



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

Date Approved: 4/18/2023

Marc Montminy, Chair

Tom Dion

~~Benn Sherman~~

Dr. Michael Baldassarre

Steve Sette