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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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The Town of Uxbridge is seeking volunteers to fill an opening(s) on the following committees/boards. Below is a brief description: Please submit an online talent bank form as soon as possible for considered. http://www.uxbridge-ma.gov/board-selectmen/webforms/talent-bank-form-volunteer-form

Cable Advisory Committee (Board of Selectmen appointment)

The Cable Advisory Committee is responsible for informing and educating the public about cable television service, assess the cable needs of the community and recommend policy changes, seek out contracts with cable operators in the best interest of the Town of Uxbridge, conduct regular meetings with cable company representatives to discuss matters of mutual interest, report to IA (Issuing Authority) on company compliance with the license, oversees the day-to-day operation of PEG with the PEG Coordinator and other subsequent staff. This would include: budget requests, studio space, staff management, technical issues and any other topics that arise, supervise the company's response to complaints and respond to citizen questions regarding the cable system, keep abreast of community programming issues, develop policies and operating procedures for PEG access television in concert with the IA.

Conservation Commission (Town Manager appointment)

The Uxbridge Conservation Commission is the governing body charged with the protection of Uxbridge's natural resources. The Commission was given responsibility in 1972 for administering the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L C.131 § 40). Under this Act, the Commission reviews applications for permits to do work in and near wetlands, flood plains, banks, river front areas, beaches, and surface waters. The Commission oversees approved projects and carries out enforcement duties if the Wetlands Protection Act is being violated. The Commission also undertakes the planning, acquisition, and management of open space for passive use and the monitoring of conservation and agricultural preservation restrictions.

Cultural Council (Board of Selectmen appointment)

The Local Cultural Council (LCC) Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, humanities, and sciences annually. The program promotes the availability of rich cultural experiences for every Massachusetts citizen. Administered by 2,500 municipally appointed volunteers, the LCC network consists of 329 councils serving all 351 Massachusetts cities and towns. LCC projects take place in schools, community centers, libraries, elder care facilities, town halls, parks, and wherever communities come together. Individuals, schools, and cultural organizations are eligible to apply for project support from their local council.

Dog Park Committee (Town Manager appointment)

Alternate. The Dog Park Committee shall oversee and manage the activities of the Town owned dog park within the Town of Uxbridge in compliance with Massachusetts General Laws. The Dog Park Committee is authorized to accept grants or gifts from the state and federal government, from a charitable corporation, from a private corporation, or from an individual. The Dog Park Committee is further authorized to deposit to said account all sums received in connection with the conduct of programs or activities it is authorized to conduct. Financial procedures The Dog Park Committee shall account for all program-related revenues in accordance with procedures set by the Town Manager or his/her designee.

Historic Cemetery Commission (Board of Selectmen appointment)

The Uxbridge Historic Cemetery Committee is charged with fostering the protection, preservation, and appreciation of the community's historic burying grounds.

Open Space Committee (Board of Selectmen appointment)

Dedicated to protecting the town's quality of life by preserving its open spaces, its natural resources, its historic treasures, and its small-town character. It keeps an inventory of and manage town-owned parcels of land. Increases awareness & the enjoyment of Uxbridge's protected lands and natural resources and educate the public on open space issues; identify all properties that are



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currently owned by the Town and develop a plan to manage and maintain these properties; identify priority parcels among properties currently owned by the Town to make recommendations for protection under a Conservation Restriction or Article 97; work with public officials, private landowners, and land trusts to identify opportunities for open space management, protection or acquisition; help the Town develop by-laws, regulations, and planning strategies to preserve open space, enhance natural habitats, and ensure that rapid development does not overburden town services or town taxpayers; preserve Uxbridge's open spaces, cultural, agricultural, and historical resources and landscapes and Uxbridge's rural, small-town character; expand and improve active and passive recreational facilities; create an Open Space Plan for the Town which meets State requirements to be eligible to apply for grant funding in the future; coordinate with the Planning Board to provide an Open Space & Recreation Plan which would become part of the Town's Master Plan as discussed in M.G.L Chapter 41 Section D).

Recreation Committee (Board of Selectmen appointment)

The Committee is authorized to accept grants and gifts, with the approval of the BOS, they may expend funds from the said account for any recreational purposes it is authorized to perform without further appropriations.

Planning Board (Town Manager appointment)

The Planning Board provides assistance regarding land use development and related questions and projects, provide staff review and recommendations for land use applications, ensure compliance with permit requirements during development phase, review and respond to public inquiries and concerns regarding land use issues, assist applicants in all types of project development applications. When possible, coordinate application/plan reviews among departments, assist the Town Manager, Board of Selectmen, other departments and Boards on land used and economic development projects and questions, Pursue and manage grant applications, Coordinate with Building, Conservation, Economic Development, Health, Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals and other various departments.