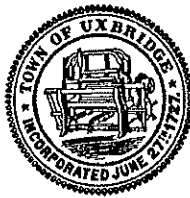


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**MEETING MINUTES: Wednesday, July 15, 2020**

**Present:** Rob Knapik, John Gniadek, Thomas McNulty, Jim Blackburn and Administrator Melissa Shelley  
**Absent:** Mark Kaferlein

**I CALL TO ORDER**

It being approximately 6:00pm, the meeting being properly posted, duly called, and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by the Chair. He made the following statement to explain the purpose for the remote meeting: *Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Uxbridge Conservation Commission is being conducted via remote participation. Although, no in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, the Town of Uxbridge has made every effort to ensure the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time via technological means. This meeting is being streamed on Uxbridge Community Television and Zoom per the instructions on the agenda alternatively members of the public can call in by calling 301-715-8592 and using meeting i.d 871 9429 3994. All motions will be voted on with roll call vote.*

**I. ANY OTHER BUSINESS, which may lawfully come before the Board**

**1. Discussion related to the location of the August 5, 2020 meeting of the ZBA.**

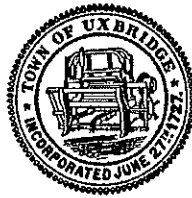
- Due to unique considerations of public meetings during the Covid-19 pandemic and in anticipation of a high public interest in an upcoming hearing, members met to discuss what would be the most appropriate location. They assessed 3 options: all in person, hybrid remote/in person, and all remote. There was agreement not to hold a hybrid in person/zoom meeting due to issues with sound and confusing nature hybrid meetings watched live. There was review of social distancing rules and limits to the meeting time and number of individuals present in the room at one time. Some members thought an in-person meetings would be more accessible for *all* members of the public as well as an increased comfort level to participate in meeting of familiar setting. No members expressed any personal issues with meeting in person. The limits on time and capacity were the only concerns and the possibility continuing hearings was discussed as an option. It was decided to hold the meeting in person and to ensure the public notice identified the social distancing requirements and provided instruction for write in comments.

*Please note, the day after the meeting members were informed a remote element was required to ensure accessibility for those concerned about gather in in public so members agreed to hold the meeting remotely instead of in-person.*

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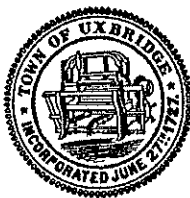
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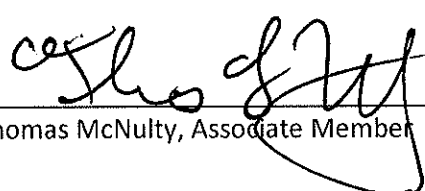
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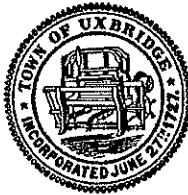
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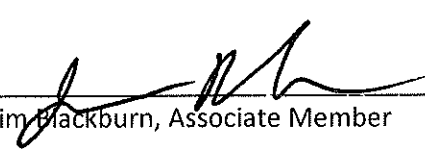
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