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UXBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING  
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2010 - 7:00PM

Present: Chair Michael Potaski, Vice Chair Kevin Kuros, Clerk Beth Pitman, Selectman Peter Baghdasarian and Selectman Cari Kay Robertson. Also present, Town Manager, Michael Szlosek and Administrative Assistant, Tracey Ante.

**NOTE:** *Some matters may have been taken out of agenda order but are presented below based on agenda order for ease of location information.*

**I. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:20PM**

- A. Announcements – Civilian Citation – Chairman Potaski read the Citizen Commendation awarded to Mr. David Bianco, Mr. Peter Chenevert, Mr. Michael Genest and Mrs. Jessica Genest for their service to the Uxbridge Police and Fire Departments in rescuing the victim of a serious automobile accident.
- B. Citizen's Forum – Mr. Harry Romasco was present and commented on the SBC and Project Management Services. He reviewed the contract and addressed concerns about costs and payment process. He suggested, the Selectmen place as an agenda item for future meetings and provide a report to the community with a complete cost analysis.

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS/SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS**

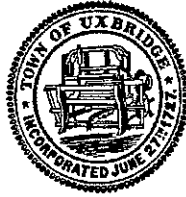
None

**III. TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

The Town Manager advised, that at a previously scheduled meeting, the Board set a closing date for the SATM Warrant of March 15<sup>th</sup>. He advised, following review of the Town Charter, the closing of the SATM Warrant is 60 days prior to Town Meeting. Therefore, the closing date is March 12, 2010. The Town Manager advised, a Citizen has submitted a petition with 200+ signatures to hold a Special Town Meeting for a proposed zoning change. The meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2010. *This will be taken up as an agenda item under Old Business.* The Town Manager updated the Board as relates to the Cable survey and is anticipated to be mailed out within a couple of weeks. The list of street lights to be turned off has been forwarded to the Tribune for publication. Residents will be given 30 days notice. The Town Manager advised, the Wright's Dairy Contract for the 100 acre lot on Sutton Street has expired. He asked the Board to consider extending the lease for another season. Following discussion, **MOTION by Ms. Robertson to permit the late filing for Wright's Dairy Farm and grant an extension of the lease for the 2010 season, with the provision that a written winter maintenance plan be provided to the Board. Seconded by Mr. Kuros, the motion carried unanimously.** Union meeting's for Town Hall employees regarding Holiday pay is still pending.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. SATM Warrant closes – March 12, 2010 – In accordance with the Town of Uxbridge Charter, **MOTION by Mr. Kuros to revise the closing date of the SATM from March 15, 2010 to**



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**March 12, 2010. Seconded by Ms. Pitman, the motion carried unanimously.**

- B. Joslin & Lesser January Report – The Town Manager advised J&L will be attendance at their next regularly scheduled meeting. He addressed concerns with timelines. J&L are seeking payment of \$12,500. The Board will await an update from J&L prior to taking any action.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Ansar Energy – Bangma's Farm Solar Plan – Letter of support – Mr. Stephen O'Connell with Andrews Survey & Engineering was present along with representatives of Ansar Energy. Mr. O'Connell advised the solar farm project would be located on Hartford Avenue, Bangma's Farm, on approximately 23 acres. He provided an overview of the project. Discussion included costs to residents, increase tax revenue, zoning, permitting process, maintenance of equipment, employment opportunities, renewable energy resources and the validity of a statement of interest from the Selectmen. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that the Town Manager prepare a letter of support for the Board to review. The Board will review at a future meeting.
- B. Discussion SATM procedures – This agenda item was discussed under the Town Manager's Report.
- C. Discussion Special Town Meeting procedures – The Board discussed who can place articles on the warrant. Mr. Baghdasarian referenced the Town Charter and advised the Selectmen can place an article on the warrant based on a vote by the Board. Discussion included petitions submitted by department heads, do not have a guaranteed right that their article would be placed on the warrant. It was suggested future warrant articles reflect the department/department head requesting the article. No action was taken.
- D. Open Special Town Meeting Warrant – The Town Manager advised as to the procedures and timeline for the Special Town Meeting scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>. **MOTION by Mr. Kuros to open the Special Town Meeting Warrant for March 30, 2010. Seconded by Ms. Robertson, the motion carried unanimously.**
- E. Sutton Street – Lease Agreement – The Board discussed this agenda item under the Town Manager's Report.

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes January 11, 2010 and February 8, 2010 – **MOTION by Mr. Kuros to approve the January 11, 2010 meeting minutes, as amended. Seconded by Ms. Pitman, the motion carried unanimously.** The Board will review the February 8, 2010 meeting minutes at their next scheduled meeting.
- B. Final review – Gov. Patrick Letter – Following discussion, **MOTION by Ms. Robertson that the Chair endorse the letter with the recommended changes. Seconded by Mr. Kuros, the motion carried unanimously.**



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**OTHER BUSINESS**

The Town Manager and Board had general discussions as relates to the Blackstone Valley 11 Town economic development funding, zoning bylaw revisions and special municipal employee status. Ms. Robertson advised a citizen has requested a public meeting be held to educate the residents with regard to the proposal of the Mendon Street ball park (Lemire property). In addition, it was recommended the Board visit the site. The Board will seek input from the Conservation Commission. There was discussion as to the budget, process and healthcare. Mr. Baghdasarian commented on the Zoning Board of Appeals Decision regarding the Fairgrounds and whether or not it is an allowed use. Mr. Kuros commented on the healthcare discussion at the MMA Conference and on the financial situation of the 8<sup>th</sup> Worcester District.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (MGL c.39, §23B)**

No Executive Session was held.

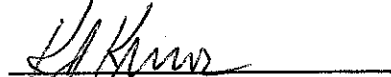
**VIII. ADJOURNMENT: Next BOS Meeting March 1, 2010**

At 9:45PM MOTION by Mr. Baghdasarian to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Robertson, the motion carried unanimously.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante*

Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:


  
Chairman Michael Potaski

  
Vice Chairman Kevin Kuros

  
Clerk Beth Pitman

  
Selectman Peter Baghdasarian

  
Selectman Cari Kay Robertson

  
Date Approved

Attachments/DVD