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TOWN OF UXBRIDGE 21 S. MAIN STREET, UXBRIDGE, MA 01569 – 508-278-8600 EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/WATER & SEWERS COMMISSIONERS MEETING BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2013 – 6:00PM

Present: Chair Tim Rice, Clerk Jennifer Modica, Selectman Lance Anderson, Town Manager Sean Hendricks and Administrative Assistant Tracey Ante. Also present, DPW Director Benn Sherman, DPW Water/Sewer Supervisors William Buma and Jim Legg, Attorney John Shea with Mackie, Shea and O'Brien, PC and Marc Drainville with GHD, Inc.

Not Present: Vice Chair Joe Frisk and Selectman Peter Baghdasarian.

I. CALL TO ORDER

It being 6:00 pm, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present. The Chairman called the meeting to order and led the gathering in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Manager discussed the reasons for convening executive session. With no further announcements and no regular business, the Chair moved to enter into executive session.

MOTION: I, Mr. Rice, move that the Board enter into executive session to discuss strategy of negotiations with regard to the NPDES Permit. Seconded by Ms. Modica, the motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote (Rice – aye, Modica – aye, Anderson – aye).

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

NPDES Permit - Strategy of Negotiations - Special Counsel

Attorney John Shea, with Mackie, Shea and O'Brien PC an environmental firm was retained as Special Counsel to represent the Town in the Appeal of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit, which was received in June 2013. Mr. Marc Drainville with GHD, Inc. has been working with the Town as the environmental engineering consulting firm for the past couple of years. GHD prepared the preliminary study and is currently working on the facilities planning process. Atty. Shea discussed the appeal process and action taken by his firm to date. The Town of Uxbridge was encouraged to appeal the conditions of the permit in order to negotiate a reasonable compliance schedule. DPW Director, Benn Sherman presented and reviewed the Permit Timeline Summary. Negotiation meetings are scheduled with MaDEP and the USEPA. The goal of these meetings is to negotiate a compliance schedule, complete a Facilities Management Plan or a Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan and then design and implementation of recommendations in accordance with the compliance schedule. The Board is asked to make a decision on which plan to move forward. Mr. Drainville discussed the differences between the two planning processes. There was general discussion on potential financing options. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to move forward with the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan as recommended by Staff. The Board will continue discussions and update the public on negotiations at their next scheduled meeting.

III. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:30PM, MOTION: I, Mr. Rice, move that the Board adjourn executive session with no further business to follow. Seconded by Ms. Modica, the motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote (Rice – aye, Modica – aye, Anderson – aye).

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:

Chair Tim Rice

Vice Chair Joe Frisk

Clerk Jen Mbdica

Selectman Peter Baghdasarian

Selectman Lance Anderson

Date Approved