

TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2014 – 6:00PM

Present: Chair Jennifer Modica, Vice Chair/Clerk Jeff Shaw, Selectman Peter Baghdasarian, Selectman Tim Rice and Selectman Lance Anderson. Also present Town Manager David Genereux and Administrative Assistant Tracey Ante.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Announcements

The voter registration deadline for the State Election is Wednesday, October 15, 2014. The Town Clerk's office will be open until 8pm. All mail-in voter registration forms must be postmarked by October 15, 2014.

The voter registration deadline for the Fall Annual Town Meeting is Wednesday, October 29, 2014. The Town Clerk's office will be open until 8pm. All mail-in voter registration forms must be postmarked by October 29, 2014.

The 2014 Election/Town Meeting Calendar is available on the town's website.

Charter Communications has rearranged their channel line-up and has moved our local channels. The Government Channel, formerly channel 11, is now 191. The Public Channel, formerly channel 12, is 192. The Educational Channel, formerly channel 13, is 194. Customer service can be reached at 1-888-438-2427.

2. Citizen's Forum – No one wished to be heard.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Charter Communications/Comcast Corporation Transaction - The Chair opened the public hearing. Mr. Frank Foss with Comcast and Ms. Heidi Vandembrouck with Charter Communications were present. There was discussion regarding the transaction and they addressed public questions and comments. Following public input, the Chair closed the hearing. **MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw, move that the Board vote in the affirmative to the Consent of Assignment and Change of Control between Charter Communications and Comcast Corporation, as amended. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Rice abstained).**
2. Fall Annual Town Meeting Warrant 11/18/14 - Citizen's Petition – Chocolog Road – Scenic Road - The Chair opened the public hearing. Ms. Denise Rogan was present and spoke on behalf of the petitioners. Several reasons for making Chocolog Road a Scenic Road include maintaining the historic stone walls, conserving the landscaping along the roadway and sustaining areas designated as endangered species habitat. Following public input, the Chair closed the hearing. The Board will vote their recommendation at a future meeting. No votes or action was taken.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Transcanada (Ocean State Power) – acceptance of monetary donation for Fire Department radio project – Chief William Kessler was present and discussed the Community Partnership grant awarded by Transcanada to the Fire Department for radios. **MOTION: I, Mr. Baghdasarian, move that the Board accept with thanks the monetary donation in the amount of \$7,000.00 from Transcanada (Ocean State Power). Seconded by Mr. Rice, the motion carried 5-0.**
2. Uniquely Uxbridge – acceptance of monetary donation for Police and Fire Departments – Ms. Jen Lutton and members of the Uniquely Uxbridge organization were present. Ms. Lutton informed the Board that Uniquely Uxbridge came together by a few business owners and residents. Once a year they organize Uniquely Uxbridge Day. This day celebrates the community and gets people together to enjoy a variety events throughout the town. Proceeds raised from the event are distributed amongst the community. This year they chose to donate the money to the police and fire departments. They presented Chief Jeffrey Lourie and Chief William Kessler a check for their departments. The Mason’s Lodge will be matching the donation. Chief Lourie and Chief Kessler kindly thanked the organizations for the kindness and generosity. **MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw, move that the Board accept with thanks the monetary donation in the amount of \$682.00 for Police and \$682.00 for the Fire Department from Uniquely Uxbridge and the Mason’s Lodge. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 5-0.**
3. Sutton Street – offer to fallow and/or lease field – The Town Manager informed the Board that he has received a proposal to lease the Sutton Street fields by Mr. Gary Vecchione. He intends to conduct an agricultural operation. The Manager also discussed the possibility of leasing a portion of the fields for a solar project. The Board will continue discussions at their next scheduled meeting. The Town Manager will invite Mr. Vecchione to attend the next meeting. The Town Manager will draft an RFP for a solar project for the Board to review. No votes were taken.
4. FY 16 Budget Discussion – The Town Manager updated the Board regarding the FY16 Budget and feedback he received from Department Heads. The Town Manager is working on a 3 year projection plan. The Board will continue discussions at a future meeting.
5. Application – Change of Hours – Lynch’s Package Store d/b/a Lynch’s, 16 Mendon St., Sunday opening at 10:00am - **MOTION: I, Mr. Anderson, move that the Board approve the Change of Hours for Lynch’s Package Store d/b/a Lynch’s, 16 Mendon St., for a Sunday opening of 10:00am. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Rice abstained).**
6. Application – Change of Hours – Nand Corp. d/b/a Uxbridge Beer and Wine, 158 N. Main St, Sunday opening at 10:00am - **MOTION: I, Mr. Anderson, move that the Board approve the Change of Hours for Nand Corp. d/b/a Uxbridge Beer and Wine, 158 N. Main St, for a Sunday opening of 10:00am. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Rice abstained).**
7. Application – Change of Hours – NHP Beverage Company d/b/a Charlie’s Variety, 30 Douglas St., Sunday opening at 10:00am - **MOTION: I, Mr. Anderson, move that the Board approve the Change of Hours for NHP Beverage Company d/b/a Charlie’s**

Variety, 30 Douglas St., for a Sunday opening of 10:00am. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Rice abstained).

8. Appointment – Council on Aging – Jack Daley - **MOTION: I, Mr. Baghdasarian, move that the Board appoint Mr. Jack Daley to the Council on Aging. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 5-0.**
9. Appointment – Council on Aging – Marie Potter - **MOTION: I, Mr. Baghdasarian, move that the Board appoint Ms. Marie Potter to the Council on Aging. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 5-0.**
10. Appointment – Recreation Commission – Timothy Devlin
MOTION: I, Mr. Baghdasarian, move that the Board appoint Mr. Timothy Devlin to the Recreation Commission. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 5-0.
11. State Election 11/4/14 – endorse warrant - **MOTION: I, Mr. Baghdasarian, move that the Board endorse the State Election November 4, 2014 warrant. Seconded by Mr. Anderson, the motion carried 5-0.**
12. Local Initiative Program (40B) – Refinance 11 Lincoln Court - **MOTION: I, Mr. Anderson, move that the Board approve the Refinancing for 11 Lincoln Court. Seconded by Mr. Rice, the motion carried 5-0.**
13. Local Initiative Program (40B) – authorize Town Manager to approve transactions - **MOTION: I, Mr. Anderson, move that the Board authorize the Town Manager to approve the Local Initiative Program (40B) transactions. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 5-0.**

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None.

V. MEMBER ISSUES

There was discussion/comments regarding the following topics:

- Ballot question – gas tax
- Solar fees
- Discussion w/ State Representatives regarding unfunded mandates

VI. TOWN MANAGER

The Town Manager updated the Board on the following topics:

- Finance Committee Public Hearing 10/16
- Update union contract negotiations
- Update School Budget Subcommittee
- Update Aldrich Street kennel

VII. MEETING MINUTES

9/22/14 Meeting Minutes - **MOTION: I, Mr. Baghdasarian, move that the Board approve the 9/22/14 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 5-0.**

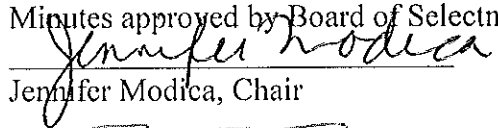
9/29/14 Meeting Minutes - **MOTION: I, Mr. Anderson, move that the Board approve the 9/29/14 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-1 (Mr. Baghdasarian abstained).**

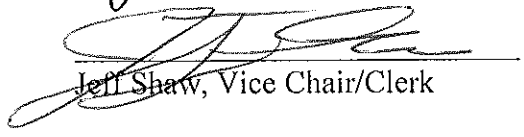
VIII. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT REGULAR SESSION BOS MEETING, MONDAY 10/27/14 - 6PM

At 7:50PM, Ms. Modica adjourned the meeting.

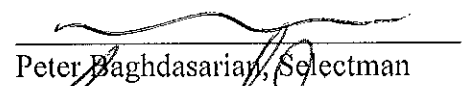
Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante

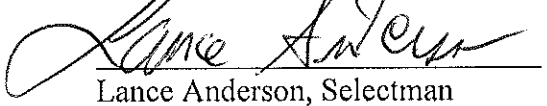
Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:


Jennifer Modica, Chair


Jeff Shaw, Vice Chair/Clerk

Tim Rice, Selectman


Peter Baghdasarian, Selectman


Lance Anderson, Selectman

Date Approved

10/27/14