

UXBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2009

Present: Chairman Kevin Kuros, Vice Chairman Michael Potaski, Clerk Cari Kay Robertson, Selectman Peter Baghdasarian, and Town Manager Michael Szlosek.

Absent: Selectman Bruce Desilets

- I. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.** Chairman Kuros called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m., with a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Chairman Kuros advised the Board and the community of the sad news that Superintendent Dan Stefanilo suddenly passed away this past weekend. He proceeded with a moment of silence and offered the Board's deepest condolences to his family.

Mr. Ernie Esposito, School Committee, advised that Mr. Stefanilo will be a significant loss to the community and the school district. He assured the community that the School Committee and Staff will move forward and continue the work of Mr. Stefanilo. He further advised Dr. Howard Boyaj will act as interim superintendent and Mr. George Zini will act as interim High School principal. He thanked the school committee, Board of Selectmen, Chief Freitas and Chief Ostroskey for their assistance and support during this difficult time. The wake is Wednesday, February 25th and will be held at Tancrell Jackman Funeral Home from 3:00pm – 8:00pm and the funeral services are on Thursday, February 26th and will be held at St. Marys. Mass begins at 10:00am.

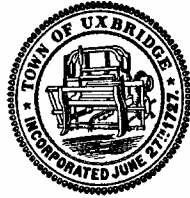
Chairman Kuros read a statement from Chief Freitas informing the public of the anticipated road closures and traffic patterns.

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

- A. Announcements: None
- B. Citizens Forum: - No Comments.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS/ SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

- A. Uxbridge Elementary PTO: Application for one-day alcohol license for 3/21/09 Wine Tasting event at the First Congregational Church Community House – Chairman Kuros read the notice and opened the public hearing. The public hearing was closed. **MOTION by Mr. Baghdasarian to grant the one day alcohol license to Coleen Thayer on behalf of the Uxbridge Elementary PTO. Seconded by Mr. Potaski. Vote taken; motion PASSED unanimously.**
- B. Uxbridge Elementary PTO: Application for a one day entertainment license for 3/21/09 Wine Tasting event at the First Congregational Church Community House – Chairman Kuros read the notice and opened the public hearing. The public hearing was closed.



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- C. Sewer Connection Charge (\$3,000 per connection) Rate setting; Request by Attorney Kablack (representing Summerfield) for reconsideration of such connection cost for multi-family, commercial and industrial customers – Atty. Kablack was present representing Summerfield. He advised the Board, he submitted a letter to Town Counsel inquiring as to the reasonableness of the sewer rates and the proportionality among the various uses (residential, commercial and industrial). Furthermore, due to the age-restricted project as well as having the affordable housing component inquired into a reduction of the sewer connection fees. There was discussion of the possibility of a reduction to the affordable housing component. The Board agreed to schedule a future BOS meeting relating to proposed rates and taking in consideration future projects; no date was selected at that time. Thereafter the Board will correspond with Atty Kablack. The public hearing for the Water/Sewer rate is scheduled for March 9.

III. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Chairman Kuros welcomed the new Town Manager. Mr. Szlosek provided the Board with a brief update on his first day on the job.

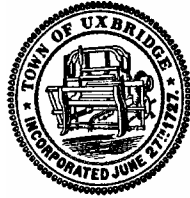
IV. OLD BUSINESS

Cedar Woods I – Mr. Mark Stacy was present and advised the Board he has consulted with the Town Planner and Mr. Mark Anderson with Heritage Design Group in privately coordinating project completion using subdivision surety reforming the former LLC. Mr. Anderson will be discussing with the Planning Board in the near future.

Excavation and Trench Safety Regulations (2nd reading) – Consideration and adoption - The Town Manager advised the Board there are no penalties if a regulation/policy is not implemented. However, the Town Manager did recommend to the Board to bring forth to Town Meeting for adoption of the CMR guidelines, set rate structure and assign the responsibility of permit tracking to Staff. It was the Board's consensus to shift away from the prior regulation and consider adopting CMR guidelines in its entirety. The Town Manager will provide the Board with a sample permit/fee schedule for discussion at their next scheduled meeting.

Spring Town Meeting 5/12/09 Draft Warrant Review (Warrant Closing Date 3/12/09)

The Town Manager advised the Board additional articles were received from the library for roof repairs, misc. repair/painting and windows. Copies will be distributed to the Board members.



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FY 09 Budget Status; FY 10 Budget Discussion

Finance Director David Genereux was present and discussed the FY 2009 Budget Status and FY 2010 Revenue Forecast & Revenue Sharing Agreement. The Budget Books will be available to the Board next week. The Board agreed to continue discussions at their next scheduled meeting.

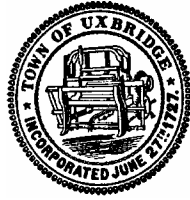
V. NEW BUSINESS

BOS Annual Report FY 08 Submission; review draft – The Board reviewed the annual report.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE/ OTHER BUSINESS

- A. **MOTION** by Mr. Baghdasarian to accept the 2/9/09 Meeting Minutes. **Seconded by Mr. Potaski. Vote taken; motion PASSED unanimously (4:0).**
- B. Mr. Baghdasarian reviewed January attorney fees.
- C. Mr. Baghdasarian discussed Chief Freitas request for BOS approval of policy and to be available in Town Hall.
- D. The Board discussed the use of Power of Attorney for the BOS Chair for emergency situations.
- E. The BOS reviewed billing UCAT for space used in Town Hall.
- F. The BOS reviewed billing UCAT for use of Town Counsel fees through FY09.
- G. Chair Kuros will be forwarding his FY08 BOS submission for Town Report.

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



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VIII. ADJOURNMENT: Next Regular BOS Meeting January 12, 2009

MOTION by Mr. Potaski to adjourn the meeting at 10:50PM. Seconded by Mr. Baghdasarian, the motion PASSED unanimously (4:0).

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante

Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:

Chairman Kevin J. Kuros

Selectman Peter Baghdasarian

Vice Chairman Michael Potaski

Selectman Bruce Desilets

Clerk Cari Kay Robertson

Date Approved