

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
275 Douglas Street
UXBRIDGE, MA 01569**

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Uxbridge
Town Clerk**

MEETING MINUTES

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MEETING DATE: March 14, 2013
MEETING LOCATION: Uxbridge Police Department

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chief Peter Emerick Uxbridge Police Department
Benn Sherman Uxbridge Department of Public Works
Sean Hendricks Uxbridge Town Manager
William Kessler Uxbridge Fire Department

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kevin Carney Uxbridge Public Schools

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley Recording secretary PSC
Gerald Skeeane Director Crown & Eagle
Howard Fortner Director Crown & Eagle
Ed Nunes Nunes Trabusco Architect, Needham, MA
Jon Juhl Jon Juhl Associates, LLC, Holliston, MA
Paul Hutnak Andrews Survey

CALLED TO ORDER: 9:38 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

Taken out of order Per the Public Safety Committee.

Blanchard School Development – Jon Juhl & Associates:

Paul Hutnak from Andrews Engineering and Jon Juhl from Jon Juhl Associates addressed the Public Safety Committee with updated site plans, storm drainage, traffic flow and parking area for units at the Blanchard School renovation project.

The following were discussed; there are now 35 parking spaces with 3 handicap spaces and traffic flow will be 1 way in and 1 way out.

There will be "No Parking" signs on School Street to E Hartford to the property line. This will help when emergency vehicles need to access School Street. Emergency vehicle access to the property was discussed and Paul said they used dimensions of a ladder truck which was 26.25 feet. Bill Kessler said that the ambulance and the small ladder truck measure in the area of 32.5 feet to 29.5 feet, the larger ladder truck measures at 42 feet. The Emergency vehicles will follow the traffic flow with 1 way in and 1 way out, however, during the discussion Chief Kessler said the ladder truck would have to enter the exit because it would be too long and the turn radius is too short. The height of the building is approximately 40' parking area is 60' and the ladder on the truck is 105' and the base of the ladder is 8' to 10' off the ground. During a fire, the fire department ladders the building and Bill Kessler said being that it is so close to the property line at 5 to 6 feet, he does not have access to the building along the property line. Bill said that the turning radius is the biggest factor and if they can get the ladder truck into the parking

lot it will give the fire department access to three sides of the building. Paul Hutnak will look into the widths of the one way exit and confirm with Bill Kessler if it needs to be widened and how much it can be widened for emergency vehicles. Bill Kessler said the wider they can make it would be better for the fire department.

Bill Kessler also asked where emergency vehicles would park after entering the parking lot. Paul Hutnak said that after they enter the parking lot it is 24' wide so there should be enough room and Bill Kessler agreed.

Bill Kessler said there should be "No Parking" on both sides of School Street from the corner of East Hartford to the second property line/exit area.

Grading; Paul Hutnak said they plan on removing the retaining wall so the grade will come in at the grade of School St. There will be a catch basin located inside the parking lot with 10% steepest at the exit and it will provide screening to the abutter. The storage draining system can more than accommodate the needs of this building.

Snow Removal; Small storms the snow will be stored on site, bigger storms will require snow removal.

Bill Kessler asked if they could do a walk through twice, the first one during the construction before they do the sheet rock and the second after the completion and Jon Juhl and Paul Hutnak had no problem with this.

Jon Juhl said that they will continue to move forward, they have a site visit with the State tomorrow, will be speaking to the neighbors soon to make this presentation and then get into the ZBA process in the spring.

The town will be transferring the interest soon and at some point they need to discuss the sprinkler system. The maintenance staff should be contacting Bill Kessler and Sean Hendricks soon for any questions in regards to the system which is new. Sean Hendricks said the monitoring is done by Custom Alarm.

OLD BUSINESS:

1 Approval of minutes:

1. Minutes

**** Motion by Peter Emerick to accept the February 7, 2013 minutes with amendments seconded by Sean Hendricks. Motion Carried 3-1. Bill Kessler abstained not present at the meeting.**

2 School zones on Oak St. and Granite St. / School zone street signs.

Discussed, Benn has taken care of these issued and looking into "Safe routes to school"

3 Rivulet Street – catch basins and speeding

Benn Sherman will look at the catch basin in the area of Rivulet St. again to verify if there is sediment and have it cleaned. Benn will also put the basin on the list as one that needs to be rebuilt.

Peter Emerick said radar was done and there were no citations or OUI's.

****Motion by Bill Kessler seconded by Sean Hendricks to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m. The motion carried 4-0.**

Next meeting scheduled for March 7, 2013

UXBRIDGE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES ACCEPTED

April 11, 2013

MEMBERS:

Paul D. Luman

Patricia B. Luman

William J. Luman
