PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING 275 Douglas Street UXBRIDGE, MA 01569

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE:

April 3, 2014

MEETING LOCATION:

Uxbridge Police Department

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:30 A.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeffrey Lourie Uxbridge Police Department
Bill Kessler Uxbridge Fire Department
Peter Emerick Uxbridge Police Department
Sean Hendricks Uxbridge Town Manager

Benn Sherman Uxbridge Department of Public Works Kevin Carney Uxbridge Superintendent of Schools

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley Recording secretary PSC Jason Andolina 4th of July – Cub Scouts

Mary Beauchamp 4th of July

Eric Bazzett Heritage Design Group, Whitinsville

Adam Eisemma Smart 911

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 4TH of July Fireworks Organization:

The 4th of July organization met with the Public Safety Committee to discuss holding fire work events in the Town with a targeted date of July 4, 2015.

They were recently offered sites at Riverbend Farms and McCloskey School where they could put an event together without fireworks for this year. The date for the event would be June 27th, 2014. Dick Buma offered the committee his back fields for setting of fireworks which would give the community viewing at many points around town. The new owners of the Serendipity site called and also offered their site for fireworks.

The committee did not have intentions of doing fireworks this year but because so many offered sites they said they would like to propose a firework event this year to be held on June 27th. The Fireworks Company is on board and is meeting with Mary Beauchamp on Monday April 7th. Police Chief Jeffery Lourie had concerns on how the management of the people and crowds around the town would be handled if it were held at the Buma area. It's too large of an area to do crowd control, and controlling the parking that would occur on the sides of the streets in town. Bill Kessler voiced concerns with the parking along the streets. Lieutenant Peter Emerick said that Serendipity poses the problems of vehicles parking along the highway. The location of the event is a burden on the Police and Fire Departments. Last fireworks held there were 8 police officers; 4 on site, 2 on traffic and 2 on bikes.

Peter Emerick said if the committee identifies an area then traffic control has to go before the Public Safety Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

From the Fire Departments side Bill Kessler prefers the Buma site and he also informed the 4th of July committee that they will need 140' per inch of shell.

Jeffery Lourie told the committee if they planned on using the Buma site that it would be a cost of additional police due to multiple viewing areas around the town.

Public Safety Committee explained that there needs to be a traffic plan, the signs and cones would come from the Police Department and they would depend heavily on the DPW. Benn Sherman said there needs to be a central viewing and launching area because of the work the DPW would have to do afterwards relative to clean-up.

Peter Emerick asked if they had considered the new High School areas for the launching and viewing areas. Mary Beauchamp agreed that after discussing this it is better to have the viewing and launching sites in the same area for safety and control.

Kevin Carney said utilizing the new High School area would be a good idea; he will contact the School Committee and get back to Mary Beauchamp after this meeting. Sean Hendricks said that they need to get on the April 14th Board of Selectmen's meeting. Kevin Carney invited them to attend the next School Committee Meeting on May 6th. This will remain on the agenda for further discussions.

2. Smart 911 presentation:

Adam Eisemma gave a presentation to the committee on the Smart 911 and also the second piece which smart prepare. After the presentation a discussion was held relative to costs and subscriber rates.

** Sean Hendricks wanted it noted in the minutes that Kevin Carney left the meeting at 10:30 a.m. prior to old business and the remaining of new business being discussed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1 Approval of minutes

- ** Motion made by Sean Hendricks to accept the February 6, 2014 minutes as amended and seconded by Jeffrey Lourie. Motion Carried 5-0-0.
- **Motion made by Sean Hendricks to accept the March 18, 2014 minutes as amended and seconded by Jeffrey Lourie. Motion Carried 5-0-0.

2. Identifying and codifying traffic management

On hold

3. Speed limit sign on Hazel St.

On hold

4. Street naming policy/regulation

Almost complete Benn Sherman to present at the next meeting.

5. Sidewalk Maintenance

Sean Hendricks and Tracey identifying projects that need to keep moving forward after Sean leaves and this is one of them.

6. Town Common request for Food Truck Rally and Fire on the Falls

Sean Hendricks and Benn Sherman sent an email to Travis in regards to the Food Truck Rally and Fire on the Falls. There are questions on specifics of this event that have not been addressed.

NEW BUSINESS:

3. Spinning Wheel Drive

Mr. Martino has issues with the traffic pattern, he said there was a sign that said "One way" and now says "One Way". His secondary concern has to do with speeding issues in that area. Sean Hendricks would like to address the speeding and Chief Lourie said he will take care of this.

4. 656 Millville Road.

This is not a public safety issue this is a state highway.

5. Stop Sign = Brookside @ Guertin Ave and Street sign

Resident would like to see a street sign that separates Guertin Ave from Brookside Drive and also a stop sign at Foam Concepts. This was discussed and Bill Kessler said someone needs to contact Foam Concepts. Sean Hendricks to have Tracey contact them about the stop sign because this is really their driveway and not a public street.

6. Street Naming Policy Review

Bill Kessler said that the Planning Board wanted to speak on this. They read it and felt that there were things that were not clear to them. Sean Hendricks to send them an e-mail and let them know they are on the agenda.

7. Half Marathon passing over Lackey Dam Road, April 6, 2014.

Discussed

8. GIS information Next Generation 911 system

Next Generation is now in the process of gathering information on how they identify this information. Shifting to GIS base emergency service location aspect requires us to identify every inch of properties in our community. There are issues to resolve such as incorporating streets such as the Pond Street issue and how does the town address this. There are name and numbering conflict issues.

Sean Hendricks suggested that the Planning Board, Board of Selectmen, Fire Chief Kessler and Lieutenant Emerick plan and put the bylaw together. The numbering issue is with the Building Department. The Board of Selectmen has the power to change street names. The problem is cleaning the past and moving forward. Sean Hendricks said that Peter Emerick could make a recommendation on behalf of the Emergency Management Committee however; Peter Emerick would like the Public Safety Committee behind him. Peter Emerick wants to incorporate all the Ways in the community such as Nydam's Way etc. If there is a sign that states it is a Way it needs to be identified. Sean Hendricks suggestion is to bring it to the Board of Selectmen. Peter Emerick has a listing with correct street naming and locations and also has all the paper roads listed.

9. 2 Bon Fires on dirt road.

Brandon Kibbe is going to put the gate up, but the Cul de Sac needs to be done by the Department of Public Works (DPW) because it is their responsibility. Bill Kessler said that if Ocean State Power roughs it out can we maintain it during the winter. Benn Sherman said if it was roughed out the DPW could maintain it. Benn to talk to Kristen Black about this and get back to Brandon Kibbe.

**Motion by Sean Hendricks to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that they close King St extension and that the Public Safety Committee discuss future improvements to the Road, seconded by Bill Kessler. Motion carried 5-0-0

10. No Parking on Hecla St

Benn Sherman has a plan starting with regular signs and warning signs.

11. Millville Road Pole #1

Discussed.

12. Speeding on High St.

Discussed and all issues in the future will go directly to Chief Lourie and Lt. Peter Emerick.

13. Oak St.

Crosswalk is a non-issue.

** Motion by Peter Emerick to have the DPW put a handicap sign on Oak St to bring awareness to the location, seconded by Sean Hendricks. Motion carried 5-0-0

Motion by Jeffrey Lourie to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 a.m. seconded by Bill Kessler. Motion Carried 5-0-0

Next meeting scheduled for May 1, 2014

UXBRIDGE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES ACCEPTED

May 1, 2014

MEMBERS:



TOWN OF UXBRIDGE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING April 3, 2014 9:30

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