



TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
 UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 01569

Chairman Chief William Kessler, Fire Dept.
 Benn S. Sherman, Director DPW
 Kevin Carney, School Superintendent
 Timothy Burke, Interim Chief of Police
 Angie Ellison, Town Manager

MEETING MINUTES

**Received by
 Uxbridge
 Town Clerk**

MEETING DATE: March 20, 2018
MEETING LOCATION: Uxbridge Police Department, 275 Douglas Street

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

William Kessler	Uxbridge Fire Chief
Timothy Burke	Uxbridge Acting Chief of Police
Benn Sherman	Uxbridge DPW Director
Kevin Carney	Uxbridge Superintendent of Schools
Angie Ellison	Uxbridge Town Manager

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeanne Daley Recording Secretary PSC

I. CALL TO ORDER

It being 9:08 am, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by William Kessler.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Minutes:

February 12, 2018 – Motion to approve minutes made by Kevin Carney, seconded by Benn Sherman. 3-0-2 Angie Ellison and Chief Timothy Burke abstain.

B. Public Safety Committee Responsibilities.

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C. MASS DOT S Main @ Rt. 146A.

Chief Kessler sent a letter to Barry Lorian, Mass DOT District 3 Acting Director, requesting they evaluate the intersection of Route 122 and Route 146A in Uxbridge due to the increase in traffic and safety issues.

D. Review and discussion of speed concerns on Capron St.

Discussed and Chief Kessler to respond to Mr. Lewis what the Public Safety Committee proposes to do in reference to speeding on Capron Street. Also inform him what some of the concerns are that Benn Sherman has found from a study he did with other towns trying to do this. Public Safety Committee's direction will be to wait and see what happens with the McCloskey building in the future so they will have a base to use to establish other regulations that may be of concern.

******* Motion by Angie Ellison seconded by Timothy Burke to authorize Benn Sherman to draft a memo to the Board of Selectmen recommending they set the speed limit at 25 mph for Capron Street. 5-0-0.**

Angie Ellison will put the agenda for the next meeting.



Chief Kessler to draft a letter to Mr. Lewis stating what the Public Safety Committee is doing with the Board of Selectmen in regards to the speed limit.

E. Discuss the status and future of the Town's Emergency Management Department (Kristin Black).

This will be discussed with the Town Manager and Emergency Management Team.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tri-State Bicycle Route through town – discuss any concerns and authorize signing off on their Town Approval Form.

This was discussed, there were no concerns.

******* Motion by Benn Sherman seconded by Kevin Carney to sign and fill out the Town's approval form for the Tri-State Trek to pass through town. 5-0-0.**

B. Residents concern about the traffic safety at East Hartford Avenue and West River Road /Upton Road.

Benn Sherman said West River Road and Upton Road are under stop control. East Hartford Avenue is one of the major routes going through the Town. Chief Timothy Burke to increase radar in that area.

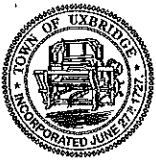
Chief Kessler to respond and let that resident know that the Public Safety Committee discussed this and at this point feel it could potentially make a larger problem if a four way stop sign were put there. He will also let them know that there will be increased patrol in that area.

C. Fourth of July Committee coming to discuss this year's event.

Chief Kessler disclosed that they are looking to have the event on July 7th and also change the location to the back corner of the McCloskey Field. The shooter said there will be enough footage and the shells will be smaller 3" shells. This will give them room for sending them directly up and not necessary to be at an angle, and the line of oak trees prevents people from seeing them. They will have more people at the Field and won't be so spread out. It may result in more details and no parking which they will need to come up with more no parking signs. Chief Burke discussed Capron would need to be one side no parking, Cross Rd., no parking, Oak St., one side no parking. They will need to meet with the Police Chief about the safety and traffic routes that need to be taken into consideration.

D. Update on town wide radio Communication efforts for significant events (either planned or unplanned).

Chief Kessler said this came out of a conversation he had with Kristin. They had a dispensing drill and they had no radios, Kristin was concern with communicating. Chief Kessler informed the Public Safety Committee that the fire department did apply for 2 potential frequencies and he is also looking to have a cache of radios for the town. He discussed with the Public Safety Committee the radios they are looking to acquire. Chief Kessler also informed the committee



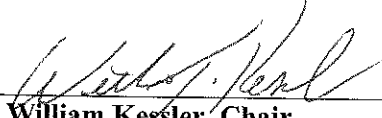
he is working behind the scene to get a better town wide communication plan for the Town and the plan should be in place by the end of the year.

IV. Adjournment

Motion by Benn Sherman, seconded by Timothy Burke to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 a.m.
Motion carried 5-0-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jeanne Daley.

Minutes approved by Public Safety Committee **Date Approved:** _____

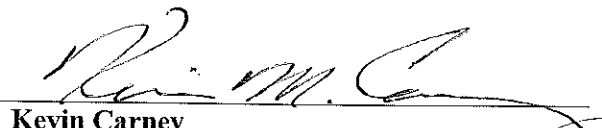


William Kessler, Chair



Benn Sherman

Timothy Burke



Kevin Carney

Angie Ellison