

**TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
NORTHBRIDGE TOWN HALL  
7 MAIN STREET - WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588  
October 1, 2012 AT 6:30 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. September 24, 2012

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS/**

**B. 7:05PM:** New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid – Petition for Transmission Line Franchise across Lasell Road/Main Street

**III. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS:**

**IV. CITIZENS' COMMENTS/INPUT**

**V. DECISIONS**

C. Safety Committee Minutes [September 19, 2012]/Vote to accept recommendations

D. Warrant Article(s)/Vote to pass over

**VI. DISCUSSIONS**

E. Certificate of Adoption: Pre-Disaster/Hazard Mitigation Plan

F. Phase II Environmental Site Assessment [2040 Providence Road]/Present: David LaFrance, Fuss & O'Neil, and Ryan Lundergan, Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission

**VII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

G. 1) Department of Public Works/Open House & Public Tour

2) Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission Solar Workshop

3) Emergency Management Radio Transmitter Usage

4) Environmental Protection Agency - Wastewater Treatment Plant Draft Permit

5) ICMA Conference

**VIII. SELECTMEN'S CONCERNS**

**IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

**X. CORRESPONDENCE**

**XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1) Under M.G.L. Chapter 30A, S21 #6 To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property

A.

**Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
September 24, 2012**

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Chairman Nolan at 7:00 PM, Northbridge Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA. **Present:** Messrs. Melia, Ampagoomian, Marzec and Athanas. **Also Present:** Theodore D. Kozak, Town Manager.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

**Certificates of Appreciation presented to Employees and Volunteers with 25 or more years of service.** Town Manager Kozak mentioned there were five employees who reached 25 or more years of service but only two employees could attend tonight's meeting. Town Manager Kozak presented plaques to the following employees with 25 or more years of service to the Town: Walter Warchol and Mark Kuras. Conrad Chickinski, David Holmes, and Donald Roy also received recognition but were not present at the meeting. Their plaques will be mailed to their home addresses. Town Manager Kozak also mentioned that the following employees will receive certificates of appreciation for 10 or more years of service to the Town: Paul Bessette, John Brosnahan, Doreen Cedrone, Daniel Chauvin, Richard Gorman, Ruth Haringa and John Inger. Their certificates will be mailed to their home. Chairman Nolan then read aloud a list of volunteers [board/committee members] who will receive a Certificate of Appreciation for their years of service to the Town: Shirley Armstrong, Harry Berkowitz, Andrew Chagnon, Scott Chase, Lois Convent, Laura Hanny, Shirley Heney, Faye Lavigne, Paul McKeon, Dan Mioduszewski, Gerald Ouillette. Lucille Blair also received recognition for her 53 years of service to the Town and her plaque will be mailed to her home.

**AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL CLUB POST 343:**

**Outstanding Achievement Award presented to the Northbridge American Legion Baseball Club**

**Certificate of Special Recognition presented to John Berkowicz, General Manager**

**Certificate of Special Recognition presented to John Demagian, Manager**

**Certificate of Special Recognition presented to Daniel Briand, Asst. Manager**

**Certificate of Special Recognition presented to James Archibald, Coach**

Chairman Nolan recognized the American Legion Baseball Club Post #343 by presenting them with an Outstanding Achievement Award, along with a certificate of special recognition to the managers and coach.

**Approval of Minutes. September 10, 2012** –A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Melia to approve the September 10, 2012 minutes as presented with the readings omitted. Vote yes/Messrs. Ampagoomian, Melia, Athanas and Nolan. Abstain/Mr. Marzec. **September 10, 2012 [Executive Session]** – A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Melia to approve but not release the September 10, 2012 Executive Session minutes as presented with the readings omitted. Vote yes/Messrs. Ampagoomian, Melia, Athanas and Nolan. Abstain/Mr. Marzec.

**Resignations/By the Board of Selectmen. 1) William Freer, Conservation Commission.** A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Marzec to accept the resignation of William Freer from the Conservation Commission and send a letter of appreciation. Vote yes/Unanimous. Town Manager Kozak announced there is an open position for the Conservation Commission and anyone interested can submit a Talent Bank Application to the Town Manager's Office.

**Citizens' Comments/Input. Commercial Trailer Complaint/Present: Denis Latour.** Mr. Denis Latour, 88 Linwood Avenue, Whitinsville, mentioned for the last three years there has been a trailer on Main Street selling hotdogs and drinks. Mr. Latour is upset that this business is being allowed to operate out of a trailer and feels that it is in violation of zoning, signage, site plan requirements, handicap

accessibility, plumbing, electrical and health codes. He feels the trailer is not temporary, but seasonal and if the town allows this business to continue than other businesses should have the same rules and regulations. Selectman Melia would like for this item to be moved to discussion. A motion/Mr. Melia, seconded/Mr. Athanas to move Mr. Latour's Commercial Trailer Complaint to a discussion. Vote yes/Mr. Melia, Mr. Athanas and Mr. Nolan. Vote no/Mr. Marzec and Mr. Ampagoomian. Due to the 4/5 requirement not being met the vote doesn't carry.

**Northbridge Special Education Parent Advisory Council [Kathy Lyons]/Request permission to hang a banner over Church Street from December 2, 2012 through December 9, 2012 to advertise "National Inclusive Schools Week".** A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Athanas to grant permission to the Northbridge Special Education Parent Advisory Council [Kathy Lyons] to hang a banner over Church Street from December 2, 2010 through December 9, 2010 to advertise "National Inclusive Schools Week". Vote yes/Unanimous.

**Blackstone Valley Gardeners [Cynthia Kosciak]/Requests permission to use Memorial Park on Saturday, May 11, 2013, from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. for a public plant sale. Present: Jackie Bean and Cynthia Kosciak.** A motion/Mr. Melia, seconded/Mr. Ampagoomian to approve the Blackstone Valley Gardeners' request to use Memorial Park on Saturday, May 11, 2013, from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. for a public plant sale subject to the approval of the Police Department and the Department of Public Works. Vote yes/Unanimous.

**Departmental Update/Present: Police Chief Walter Warchol, Fire Chief Gary Nestor, DPW Director James Shuris, Town Planner R. Gary Bechtholdt, Building Inspector James Sheehan, Senior Center Director Kelly Bol, Town Accountant Neil Vaidya (Financial Offices).** Town Manager Kozak mentioned that the following Department Heads were present to provide updates on their accomplishments, budget projections and their future needs. The above Department Heads provided their departmental updates covering the period of April 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>. A copy of the department head's quarterly report can be found in the minute's book in the Town Manager's Office.

**Town Manager's Report.** 1) **Sutton Street Public Hearing:** The public hearing for the Sutton Street Project was held on Tuesday, September 18, 2012. The state made a presentation and a number of residents attended and asked questions. The process is moving along as planned. Mr. Kozak also announced that anyone wishing to review the plans can come to the Town Manager's Office to see them. 2) **Website Training:** Department Heads and employees had training on the town's website. We plan to go online October 1, 2012. 3) **Central Mass. Mosquito Control/Update:** The Central Mass. Mosquito Control is still monitoring the mosquito outbreaks. Spraying was done again on Wednesday night at all the Town Parks. Residents can still contact Central Mass. Mosquito Control if they wish to have spraying done on their property up until the first frost. 4) **Whitin Family Reunion:** The Whitin Family Reunion was held this past weekend and Alternatives hosted a luncheon. A tour was conducted by the National Park Service, including Town Hall.

**Selectmen's Concerns.** **Selectman Athanas** mentioned that the Northbridge Varsity Football Team is playing Southbridge on Friday night and Coach Ken Lachapelle has won 299 games and is looking for a victory to make it 300. He invited everyone to attend to support Coach Ken and the Northbridge Football Team. **Selectman Marzec** 1) sent his condolences to Selectman Ampagoomian on the recent passing of his mother. 2) asked James Shuris, DPW Director if the trees on Sprague Street were looked at and Mr. Shuris replied that the Highway Superintendent looked at them and is working with the residents. 3) asked if the Highway Department has a vacuum machine to pick up the leaves and Mr. Shuris stated they are looking into getting a new one. 4) asked if the Highway Department has begun street sweeping and Mr. Shuris replied that it was done last week. **Selectman Melia** 1) announced he attended the Finance Committee Meeting last week and some of the Department Heads presented their articles and figures to

the Finance Committee. He then stated that the Chairman of the Finance Committee had some issues with the Department Heads approximate numbers being forward to the Finance Committee and asked if the Department Heads would be ready for Town Meeting. Town Manager Kozak mentioned that the Department Heads are working on their numbers and will get the information to the Finance Committee as soon as they can. 2) mentioned that he attended the Sutton Street Project and was surprised at the start date of the project, November/December of 2013. He then asked if Town Manager Kozak informed the Board of Health of an issue with well water on Pollard Road. Town Manager Kozak mentioned that the DPW Director was going to follow up on this issue. Mr. Shuris explained that Jeanne Gniadek, Board of Health Administrator is well aware of the issue and then stated that the well issue is a private source and not a public water supply. **Selectman Ampagoomian 1)** asked about the status of getting transportation into the Town of Northbridge. He mentioned that the town should utilize some of the money that they pay the MBTA for a pilot study. Town Manager Kozak mentioned that he still doesn't have any information on this issue but did bring this up with Mr. Shepherd at the last Central Mass. Regional Planning meeting. 2) thanked Selectman Marzec and the other members of the Board for their kind words on the recent passing of his mother. **Selectman Marzec 1)** reminded the residents in Town that the Fall Annual Town Meeting is October 23, 2012 at 7 PM and there are a lot of important articles on the warrant.

Town Manager Kozak reminded everyone that next week there will be another Board of Selectmen's Meeting [October 1, 2012], due to the Columbus Day holiday.

A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Marzec to adjourn the meeting. Vote yes/Unanimous.

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:53 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**James Athanas, Clerk**

/dmg

## **LIST OF DOCUMENTATION**

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING – OPEN SESSION**

**September 24, 2012**

**Copy of Certificates of Appreciation presented to Employees and Volunteers with 25 or more years of service.**

**Copy of Northbridge American Legion Baseball Club Certificates.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** A. 1) Copy of September 10, 2012 minutes. 2) Copy of September 10, 2012 Executive Session minutes. [Removed from backup documentation as they have not been released by Board of Selectmen]

**PUBLIC HEARING. None.**

**APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS:** B. 1) Copy of resignation letter from William Freer, Conservation Commission.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS.** C. 1) Copy of Denis Latour's letter. 2) Copy of memo from James Sheehan, Building Inspector, regarding complaint at 355 Main Street. 3) Copy of memo from Jeanne Gniadek, Board of Health, regarding Dotta's Kitchen – Hot Dog Trailer. 4) Copy of ServSafe & Allergen Awareness Certification [Charles Berry]. 5) Copy of Food Establishment Inspection Report.

#### **DECISIONS**

**D.** Copy of email dated September 7, 2012 from Kathy Lyons requesting permission to hang a banner across Church Street.

**E.** Copy of letter from the Blackstone Valley Gardeners requesting to use Memorial Park [Town Common] for a plant sale.

#### **DISCUSSIONS**

**F. 1)** Departmental Update – Copy of Senior Center - Quarterly Report from Kelly Bol, Copy of Police Department – Quarterly Report from Walter Warchol, Copy of Fire Department – Quarterly Report from Gary Nestor, Copy of Community Planning & Development – Quarterly Report from R. Gary Bechtholdt, Copy of Building Department – Quarterly Report from James Sheehan, Copy of Highway & Sewer Department – Quarterly Report from James Shuris, Copy of Accountant's Office, Treasurer's Office, Assessor's Office, Quarterly Update from Neil Vaidya.

#### **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

**G. 1)** Sutton Street Public Hearing – **No documentation.**

**2)** Website Training – **No documentation.**

**3)** Central Mass. Mosquito Control – **No documentation.**

**4)** Whittin Family Reunion – **No documentation.**

**SELECTMEN'S CONCERNS**-No documentation.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**-None

**CORRESPONDENCE**-None

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**nationalgrid**

Northbridge Town Manager

Lauren Peloquin  
Counsel

September 13, 2012

**VIA USPS AND EMAIL:** [dcedrone@northbridgemass.org](mailto:dcedrone@northbridgemass.org)

Doreen Cedrone, Town Clerk  
Northbridge Town Hall  
7 Main Street  
Whitinsville, MA 01588

BOS:  
The DPW Director  
has no issue with  
this request. See  
email attached.  
Sharon

**Re: New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid Petition for Transmission Line Franchise**

Dear Ms. Cedrone:

Enclosed please find the Petition of New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid" or "Company") for a Transmission Line Franchise in accordance with M.G.L. c. 166, s. 22 along with an accompanying plan. The Company respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the agenda for the next available meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

M.G.L. c. 166, s. 22 requires that a public hearing,

be held on the petition, and written notice of the time and place of the hearing shall be mailed at least seven days prior thereto by the clerk of the city or by the selectmen of the town to all owners of real estate abutting upon that part of the way upon, along, across or under which the line is to be constructed, as such ownership is determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

A certified Abutter's List including all direct abutters to the line at each road crossing is also enclosed along with mailing labels for your use in mailing notice of the public hearing.

M.G.L. c. 166, s. 22 also requires,

[t]he order granting a location ... shall be recorded by the city or town clerk in books kept exclusively therefor, and where notice has been given as hereinbefore provided the clerk of the city or the chairman or a majority of the selectmen shall certify on said record that the order was adopted after due notice and a public hearing as hereinbefore prescribed, and no such order shall be valid without such certificate.

Accordingly, an Order and Certificate are also enclosed for your use.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lauren Peloquin". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Lauren" and last name "Peloquin" clearly distinguishable.

Lauren Peloquin

Enclosures

**TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE TRANSMISSION LINE FRANCHISE  
PETITION OF NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY**

TO THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE:

Petitioner New England Power Company d/b/a/ National Grid respectfully represents that it is a company incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts and authorized to transmit and distribute electricity, and that in accordance with such authority it desires to construct, maintain, repair, operate and use lines for the transmission of high and low electric current, data and other intelligence, upon, along, through, over, and across the public ways in the Town of Northbridge, Massachusetts hereinafter named.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that, after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted locations for and permission and consent to construct, maintain, repair, operate, and use, such transmission lines; the wires to be strung across said public ways between structures located on private property. The name of the public ways crossed and the owners of real estate abutting upon that portion of the way crossed by the lines, as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation, being as follows:

<u>Public Ways</u>	<u>Owners of Abutting Property</u>	<u>Map/Lot/Block</u>
1. Lasell Road/Main Street	AJR Realty Trust	1-97
	Blackstone River Realty Corp.	1-99
	Blackstone River Realty Corp.	1-100
	LaFleur Kuipers, LLC	1-101
	Smith, Garrett D.	1-113
	Vanderzicht, Sidney E. and Susan E.	1-114
	Massachusetts Electric Company	1-117
	Guyette, Earl N. and Lorraine	1-185
	Baianca	
	Vanderzicht, Sidney E.	1-199

The center line of the proposed transmission line across said public ways to be located not over fifty (50) feet from the approximate location of the center line of the proposed transmission line shown on the plans attached hereto each entitled "NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY PLAN TO ACCOMPANY PETITION FOR HIGHWAY CROSSING IN NORTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS" which plans are incorporated herein by reference; the power wires to be strung not less than twenty-eight (28) feet from the ground above said public way, and not over twelve (12) wires to be strung from each structure across said public ways.



NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY  
d/b/a NATIONAL GRID

BY Shannon Larson

Waltham, Mass., Sept 13, 2012

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Town of Northbridge, Mass.

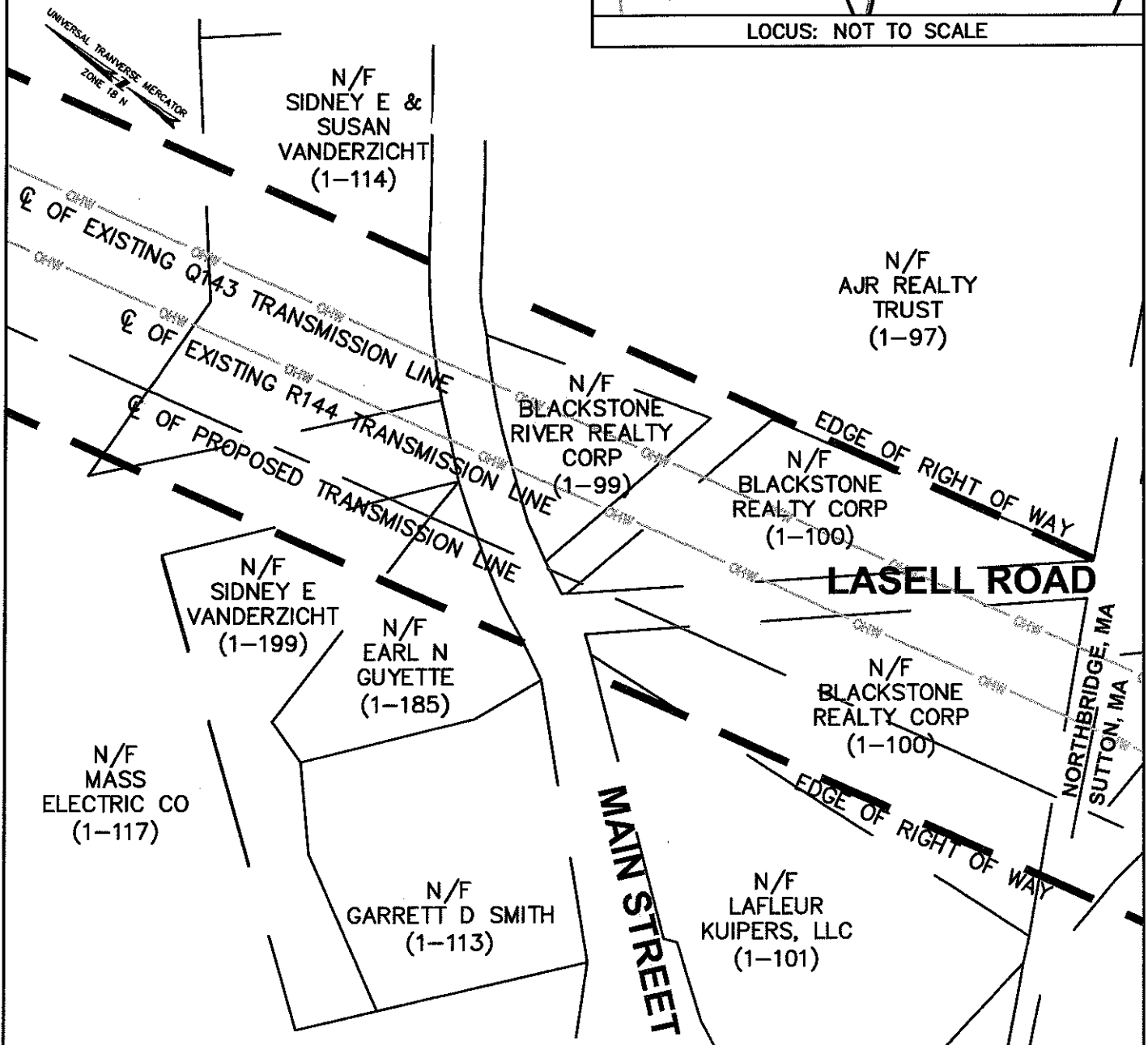
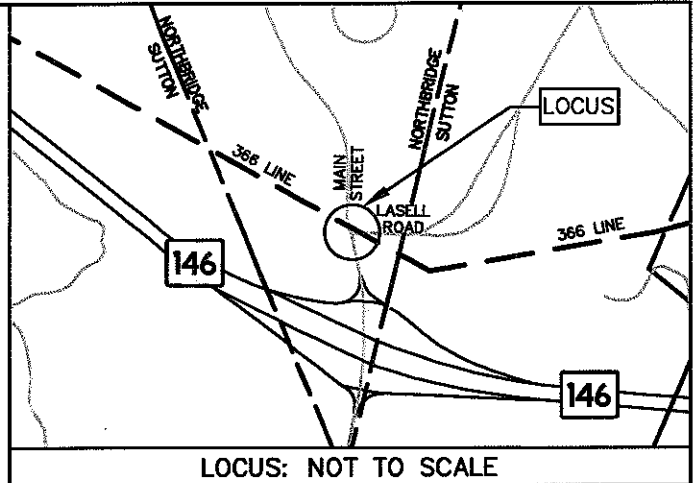
\_\_\_\_\_, 2012

Received, filed and public hearing ordered.

(TOWN SEAL)

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen

Daniel J. Nolan



Prepared For:

NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY  
40 SYLVAN RD.  
WALTHAM, MA 02451



**BSC GROUP**

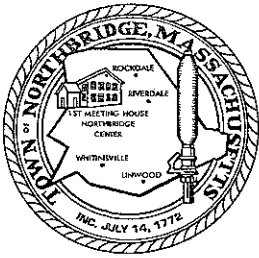
15 Elkins Street  
Boston, Massachusetts  
02127

617 895 4300

PLAN TO ACCOMPANY PETITION FOR HIGHWAY  
CROSSING IN NORTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

Date: 2012 08 16

Scale: 1" = 120'



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**Theodore D. Kozak  
Town Manager**

September 19, 2012

To: Abutters  
Lauren Peloquin, National Grid

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**NOTICE**

In conformity with the requirements of Section 22 of Chapter 166 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) you are hereby notified that a **Public Hearing** has been scheduled for **Monday, October 1, 2012 at 7:05 PM**, at the Northbridge Town Hall, Selectmen's Room, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA based upon the petition of New England Power d/b/a National Grid for a Transmission Line Franchise to construct, maintain, repair, operate and use lines for the transmission of high and low electric current, data and other intelligence, upon, along, through, over, and across the following public way(s) in the Town of Northbridge, Massachusetts.

**LASELL ROAD/MAIN STREET**

Wherefore they pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted locations for and permission and consent to construct, maintain, repair, operate and use lines for such transmission lines; the wires to be strung across said public way(s) between structures located on private property in accordance with the plan filed entitled--**"NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY PLAN TO ACCOMPANY PETITION FOR HIGHWAY CROSSING IN NORTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS"**

**NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
James J. Athanas, Clerk**

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P O BOX 856  
EAST DOUGLAS, MA 01516

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BLACKSTONE RIVER REATLY CORP  
100 MAIN STREET  
WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588

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LAFLEUR KUIPERS, LLC  
GEORGE KUIPERS, MGR  
22 IRMA JONES RD  
SUTTON, MA 01590

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SMITH GARRETT D  
179 LAURELWOOD DR  
HOPEDALE, MA 01747

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VANDERZICHT SIDNEY E  
SUSAN E VANDERZIGHT  
240 WILLIAMS STREET  
UXBRIDGE, MA 01569

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MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC CO  
PROPERTY TAX DEPT  
40 SYLVAN RD  
WALTHAM, MA 02451

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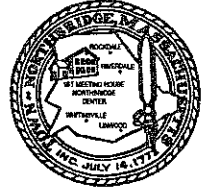
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WALTER J. WARCHOL  
CHIEF OF POLICE

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TIMOTHY LABRIE  
LIEUTENANT

9/28/12 *Don Manager*  
C: BOS C.

September 19, 2012

Northbridge Board of Selectmen  
Memorial Town Hall  
7 Main Street  
Whitinsville, MA 01588

Cottage Street-Parking @ Town Hall Annex  
660 Mendon Rd-Proposed Common Driveway  
2356 Providence Rd-Ashton Place  
998 Church Street-Oosterman Propane Facility  
Signage Request-444 Main Street  
Streetlight Request-Brian Circle  
Streetlight Request-Forsythe Farm Road  
Crosswalk Request-National Guard Armory  
Correction of 04/15/12 minutes-Nancy Spitulnik  
Speed Limit Sign Request-Prentice Road  
Shining Rock Golf Club Club  
    Speed limit signs  
    Crosswalks  
    ADA adjustments to mailboxes  
Douglas Road (adjacent to #279 Douglas Rd)  
(Paul Hutnak)

Dear Board Members,

The Northbridge Safety Committee met on Wednesday, September 19, 2012 in the police station conference room. The following members were present: Chief Nestor, Chief Warchol, George Murray, Gary Betchholdt, James Shuris and Peter Bedigian. Julie Gawlak was absent.

Also in attendance were: Normand Gamarche of Guerriere & Halnon, Joe Bowes & Roy Uthoff of Clubhouse Lane, Mark Anderson of Heritage Design Group, Paul Hutnak of Andrews Surveying and Deborah Gauthier of the Northbridge Daily.

A motion was made by made by Chief Warchol and seconded by George Murray to accept the minutes of the April 24, 2012 meeting with the following correction:

*Regarding the School Bus Stop at 2356 Providence Road the minutes stated Nancy Spitulnik would confer with school administration regarding the school bus stop. The contact person should have been noted as Melissa Walker.*

The vote to accept the minutes was unanimous.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Chief Nestor read a letter from Sharon Susienka, Exec Assistant to the Town Manager stating that on May 21, 2012 the Board of Selectmen accepted the minutes (recommendations) of the April 15, 2012 meeting.

**660 MENDON ROAD – PROPOSED COMMON DRIVEWAY LOT 3 & 4**

Normand Gamarche of Guerriere and Halnon presented plans showing a proposed “common driveway” for lots 3 & 4 adjacent to the above address. It was noted application was presented to the Planning Board and conditionally approved subject to Safety Committee review and approval. Mr. Gamache explained as part of Planning Board approval a street address sign is to be installed at the driveway for both homes in the event of an emergency response. There will be signs posted showing the street address and which house has which number. It was noted that there is adequate sight distance and that the area is very flat. Mr. Gamache explained location of driveway will be sited at the existing opening of the guardrail along Mendon Road. Chief Warchol recommended that signs also be placed at the “split” (of the common driveway) in order to avoid any confusion for responding emergency personnel. Jim Shuris recommended that the driveway apron be tied to the road, to which Mr. Gamarche stated this was already in the plans.

A motion was made by Peter Bedigian and seconded by George Murray to accept the plans as presented with the notation for the address signs at the “split” and roadway.

**2356 PROVIDENCE ROAD, NORTHBRIDGE, MA (ASHTON PLACE)**

Norman Gamarche of Guerriere and Halnon returned to today’s meeting with finalized plans for Ashton Place; had previously met with the Safety Committee to review conceptual layouts. (This was formerly the Northbridge Nursing Home) This proposal shows plans for a 30,270 square foot multi family complex on the East side of Providence Road, which has been changed to a R-4”. Minimum requirements for parking is 43, however there will be 48 provided. The complex will have town water and town sewer. There will be two entrances and exits (one on Providence Road . Traffic will be routed around the building in a “one way” fashion, as required by the Fire Department for access around building. Mr. Gamarche has spoken with Melissa Walker from the School Administration Building regarding the school bus stop. It was felt the best spot for this bus stop would be on Providence Road. There is currently a spot North of the driveway where cars and busses can pull off of Providence Road for the safety of children.

Chief Warchol questioned the potential for a great number of children waiting for the bus at this location and stated concern as to where they would congregate. It was felt by Mr. Gamarche that due to the size of the apartments, there wouldn't be a great number of children.

Mr. Gamarche also advised members that as an "*order of conditions*" by the Conservation Board the owners would be responsible for picking up trash, tires, milk crates, construction debris, etc.

There will be lighting on all sides of the building at the top. Chief Warchol questioned if there were any plans for illumination for parking spots in order to help prevent crime. Mr. Murray noted if the mailboxes were "on site" they should be handicap accessible.

A motion was made to by Chief Warchol and seconded by George Murray to approve the plans as presented with the changes noted above. The vote on this was unanimous.

#### **OOSTERMAN PROPANE FACILITY (MODIFICATION) 998 CHURCH STREET**

Mark Anderson of Heritage Design Group provided members of the safety committee with a modification to this project. The modification showed:

- a regrading of the site
- lowering the foundation by 18"
- increased square footage of building by 500'

Mr. Anderson explained no additional traffic as a result of the above noted changes. A motion was made by Chief Warchol and seconded by Jim Shuris to accept the plans as presented. The vote on this was unanimous.

#### **SHINING ROCK GOLF COMMUNITY:**

Susan Greene of the Fairways at Shining Rock had sent an email to Chief Nestor prior to today's meeting. She was unable to attend the meeting, however two residents, Joe Bowes and Roy Uthoff were in attendance at today's meeting. The following items were discussed at their request:

##### *Speed Limit Signs – requested a 25 MPH instead of the proposed 30 MPH*

Chief Warchol advised that a study would have to be done regarding average speed of vehicles before making any changes. This would need approval by the Department of Transportation.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Peter Bedigian and seconded by George Murray to place three 30 MPH Speed Limit signs. They would be posted at School St and Shining rock Drive, one at the Upton End of Clubhouse Drive, and one at Shining Rock and Fairway. These signs should be a reminder to residents and the public to take notice of the 30 MPH limit.

*Crosswalk at mailboxes*

It was noted that pedestrians walk to the cluster of mailboxes by Linkside Court. It was noted that there should be some type of warning sign alerting motorists. Mr. Bedigian stated that he felt if a crosswalk was painted in this area; it would not enhance the safety of the residents.

It was felt by committee members that these mailboxes should be moved across the street to a safer location. Chief Warchol stated that if the Post Office gave approval for this move, the DPW could move the boxes.

A motion was made by George Murray and seconded by Jim Shuris to have Mr. Shuris speak with the contractor and postmaster regarding changing the location of the mailboxes. These cluster mailboxes are not in compliance with ADA rules. A letter would follow with the above mentioned concerns as well as a copy of the ADA specs. The vote on this was unanimous.

*Crosswalk – Golf Carts*

Chief Warchol and Jim Shuris will check into this matter and report back to the committee at a future meeting.

**279 Douglas Road – Berkowitz Trucking**

Paul Hutnak of Andrews Surveying previously submitted a Site Plan Review for 279 Douglas Road and has been in discussion with the DEP.

Plans discussed at today's meeting show this site being closer to Douglas Road having two driveways. It will be a gravel site (porous surface). It was noted that there would be better circulation for vehicles through both lots (the current Berkowitz Trucking lot and this new proposed site). It was noted there is ample sight distance both ways on Douglas Road. Mr. Hutnak indicated there should be no increased traffic flow. The present recycling part of the operation will now be relocated to the new area. No buildings will be built on this site.

Mr. Murray and Mr. Shuris questioned the possibility of mud and debris ending up on Douglas Road which is a public way. Mr. Hutnak noted that the driveway leading to Douglas Road was paved and the area had been designed to allow for settling of mud/dust before trucks enter Douglas Road. Mr. Hutnak explained no additional traffic or alteration to site activities would occur as a result of this proposal.

A motion was made by Peter Bedigian and seconded by George Murray to accept the plans as presented. The vote was unanimous.

**TOWN HALL ANNEX -- Parking Concerns**

Correspondence had been forwarded from Town Hall Annex employees on behalf of themselves as well as residents and contractors. It was noted that site visibility was poor exiting the Cottage Street parking lot. They indicated that motorists cannot see any oncoming vehicles from the parking lot entrance all the way to the Hill Street intersection. This is due to vehicles parking



on the South Side of Cottage Street. It was felt that by eliminating parking on the South side of Cottage Street from Hill Street to the driveway of the Town Hall Annex would eliminate this obstructed view.

Chief Warchol noted that he didn't think obstructed parking was a valid reason but felt due to the congestion at the corner (intersection of Hill/Cottage) narrow travel ways, eliminating parking from the corner would enhance safety lessening congestion of vehicles entering from Hill Street and exiting from Cottage onto Hill Street creating a hazardous situation.

A motion was made by Chief Warchol and seconded by George Murray to restrict parking from the corner of Hill Street to the entrance of the Town Hall annex at the end of the fence (to be determined by the DPW). The vote on this was unanimous.

**JAMES DAMICO, 444 MAIN STREET -- Speed Limit Sign Request**

Mr. Damico had requested an additional speed limit sign in this area. This matter was not discussed as an additional sign had been posted prior to today's meeting.

**STREET LIGHT REQUEST -- Eric Constanza, 68 Brian Circle**

Mr. Constanza requested that streetlights be placed on Brian Circle. It was noted that the street was accepted by the town on 06/15/04. Chief Warchol checked the area prior to today's meeting.

A motion was made by Chief Warchol and seconded by Peter Bedigian to place streetlights on Poles #6 and #3. The vote on this was unanimous.

**STREET LIGHT REQUEST - FORSYTHE FARM ROAD -- Bhasket Gutti, 217 Forsythe Farm Road**

Mr. Guitti had requested placement of streetlights on the above street. The street was accepted at the 2011 Fall Town Meeting.

Chief Warchol questioned the streetlights that are presently in place. They are small street lights which don't cast much light in regards to safety issues. It was felt they were more decorative than efficient.

Mr. Murray advised members that the streetlights in question would have had to have approval from the Planning Board and that the question of adequate lighting should go back to the developer.

Chief Warchol made a motion to delay further action until the area can be checked by Chief Warchol and Jim Shuris. This was seconded by Jim Shuris. The vote was unanimous.

**CROSSWALK REQUEST – NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY – LAKE STREET**

Personnel from the Armory had requested this crosswalk for the safety of pedestrians crossing from the Armory to the parking lot. Based on the recommendations of the DPW, a motion was made by Peter Bedigian and seconded by George Murray to paint a crosswalk at the above location. The vote on this was unanimous.

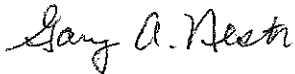
**SPEED LIMIT SIGN REQUEST (25 MPH) ON PRENTICE ROAD**

Mr. Donald Ellmore requested this sign due to increased traffic on Prentice Road due to increased traffic. He felt that motorists were using this road as a shortcut from Sutton in order to get to Walmart. He also cited high speeds of motorcyclists.

Chief Warchol advised members that a study had been done on Prentice Road. Results showed an average speed of 26-28 MPH which was not considered excessive.

A motion was made by George Murray and seconded by Peter Bedigian to place an additional 30 MPH speed limit sign on Prentice Road coming from Sutton into Whitinsville. The vote on this was unanimous.

Very truly yours,



Gary Nestor  
Fire Chief  
Safety Committee Chairman

cc:

Northbridge Town Clerk  
Northbridge Town Manager  
Lt. Timothy Labrie  
Normand Gamarche, Guerriere and Halnon  
Mark Anderson, Heritage Design  
James Damico, 444 Main Street  
Eric Costanza, 68 Brian Circle  
Bhasket Gutti, 217 Forsythe Farm Road  
National Guard Armory, Attn: Scott  
Donald Ellmore, 135 Prescott Road  
Susan Green, Shining Rocks Golf Community  
Paul Hutnak, Andrews Surveying



## Northbridge

Two properties have experienced repetitive loss, including one single-family dwelling and one non-residential structure. There are two structures located in a 100-Year Flood Plain, the Rockdale Fire Station (along the Blackstone River) and the DPW building (along the Mumford River). Their approximate values are \$2 million and \$6-7 million, respectively. There is one High Hazard dam in Northbridge. Significant riverine flooding is certainly the greatest risk in this town with many areas affected.

Statistically, Northbridge's population increased 18%, slightly ahead of the 14% 2000-2010 population increase experienced by the Southeast sub-region. Northbridge has seen numerous single-family subdivisions developed. Additionally, on the easterly portion of the Town, extensive development has resulted in significant stormwater flows into Rockdale, and east into neighboring Upton, and contributes significantly to the areas of concern in that town, and also contributes to the Army Corps-regulated area associated with West River Dam.

Flooding details include the following:

*The Village of Rockdale* is particularly vulnerable to frequent flooding from the Blackstone River, especially the downtown core area in the area from Sutton St. to South Main St.

Frequent flooding occurs on Providence Road in Rockdale due to the elevation of the river, riverbank deterioration & erosion, and catch basins backing up when the Blackstone River rises. Approximately twenty to thirty structures are situated within the floodway, including the Rockdale Fire Station.

*The Whitinsville business district* floods during heavy storms due to very old inadequate storm drains.

Frequent flooding occurs on Church St Extension (from Rte 122 to Quaker St) during storms. This causes the road to washout, creating a hazard to motorists. This is a major east-west corridor through town, which creates delays for emergency personnel responding to emergencies while this road is impassable.

*The Rockdale sewer interceptor* (which is located parallel and adjacent to the Blackstone Canal) is vulnerable to damage when storm-related flooding causes water to breach the banks of the Blackstone River, enter the Blackstone Canal and form an eddy near the interceptor. Damage to this sewer infrastructure creates a potential health hazard to the residents in this area due to discharge of raw sewage into the river. Additionally, inflow of river water into the interceptor could inundate the wastewater treatment plant.

*The Providence/Worcester Rail Line* runs along the Blackstone River through Northbridge (north/south). Serious riverine flooding could result in derailment-related disasters involving hazardous substances, which pose potential environmental and public health risks.

To develop this plan, extensive input was gathered from various Town staff and volunteer board members, particularly the DPW Director, and staff to the Planning Board. In addition, the Plan was available through the CMRPC website (inviting public review and input), and reviewed more formally in the meetings of various town boards. The Town has reviewed the Action Plan strategy and priorities and has refined the information based on current input and local conditions. Upon conditional approval by FEMA, and adoption by the CMRPC, this plan will be formally reviewed again, and adopted, at a regular meeting of the Northbridge Board of Selectmen.

**OVERALL GOAL: Reduce the loss, and risk of loss, to persons and property from the key hazards identified.**

Action Plan/Descriptions			WHO/ along with	Potential Funding Sources	Priority High/Med /Low	Timing
A. Capital/Structural Development						
1	Identify and prioritize capital/structural mitigation projects that are cost-effective and technically feasible (stormwater drainage, dam repairs, vegetative debris management, etc).	2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8	DPW BOS	Local budget, HMGP, Possibly CDBG	High This enables the town to be ready to go	Year 0-1
2	Maintain and expand on vegetative debris management programs to reduce debris and thereby mitigate risk of stormwater flooding, riverine flooding, winter storm damage, etc, such as through the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project.	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 18	DPW	Local budget	Med. Budget constraints create higher priorities	Year 0-1
3	Stabilize Blackstone River bank in Rockdale neighborhood and construct a flood control structure in this area in order to mitigate the frequent flooding that occurs there.	1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8	TM DPW	HMGP	High	Years 1-3
4	Upgrade catch basins on Providence Road in order to mitigate the frequent flooding that occurs there.	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	DPW Director	HMGP, Chapter 90, Possibly CDBG	High	Year 0-1
5	Investigate measures to mitigate flood-related	2, 3, 4, 5,	Fire Chief	HMGP	Med.	Year 0-1

	damage to the Fire Station.	6, 7, 8				
6	Relocate DPW facilities outside of the Mumfords River flood plain.	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	<b>BOS, Town Meeting</b>	Local budget, HMGP	High	Year 0-1
7	Upgrade Whitesville storm drains to mitigate flood damage.	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	<b>DPW</b>	HMGP, Chapter 90	High	Year 0-1
8	Mitigate flooding on Church St. Extension by elevating the section of roadway that is vulnerable to flooding.	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	<b>DPW</b>	Chapter 90, possibly CDBG, HMGP	High High cost measure	Year 0-1
9	Sweep streets at least once per year to increase stormwater management capacity; capture and dispose of appropriately.	2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8	<b>DPW/Highway Dept.</b>	Relatively Low Cost	High Priority	Year 0-1
10	Properly clean (at least annually, or more often as may be required) all stormwater structures and basins.	2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8	<b>DPW</b>	Medium cost; cleaning catch basins is low cost, but cleaning basins may be more involved depending on location, access and type.	High Priority	Year 0-1 (catch basins) Year 1-3 (adopt broader plans)
11	Evaluate and Repair Dams as identified by the Office of Dam Safety.	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	<b>DCR</b>	State funding	Med. Budget constraints create higher priorities	Year 0-1

<b>B. Administration/Enforcement/Coordination</b>						
<b>12</b>	Pursue funding that builds local capacity and supports grant-writing for mitigation actions identified in the regional and local PDM plans.	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17	BOS/TM EMD/PB/DPW	Local/Dept Budgets	Low; budget constraints create higher priorities	Year 0-1
<b>13</b>	Increase communication/coordination between federal, state, regional, county, municipal, private, and non-profit agencies in the area of pre-disaster mitigation.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18	<b>EM Director</b> Police/Fire Chiefs Area NGO's	low to moderate cost to implement Department Budget	High Easily done; good potential benefits	Year 0-1
<b>14</b>	Help communities develop and enhance working relationships with the utility companies to improve mitigation of threats, and improve communication during events; ensure satellite spaces within each community for temporary emergency headquarters.	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18	<b>EM Director</b> BOS, Police/Fire Chiefs	low to moderate cost to implement Dept Budget	High Easily done; Good potential benefits	Year 0-1
<b>15</b>	Implement (or improve) hazard warning systems and notification to vulnerable populations.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18	<b>EM Director/</b> Police/Fire Chiefs	low to moderate cost to implement Dept Bud/ H S	Med Funding availability may make this a higher priority	Years 1-3
<b>16</b>	Continue to enforce seismic standards in the State's Building Code.	15	<b>Bldg Dept.</b>	Local Budget	High	Year 0-1
<b>17</b>	Continue to actively enforce and comply with State Building Code Requirements.	8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15	Building Official	Town budget	High Priority	Year 0-1

18	Continue to actively enforce and comply with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act	1	Conservation Comm. Building Official	Town budget Wetland fees	High Priority	Year 0-1
19	Increase the number of dam inspectors in the region so that dams with serious problems are repaired before they are breached by flood waters that cause serious damage or casualties.	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	MA DCR	MA DCR	Med.	Year 0-1
<b>C. Education</b>						
20	Educate all segments of the community in order to combat complacency and foster individual responsibility for mitigating disaster impacts.	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17	EM Director ALL	HMGF \$ Dept Budgets Homeland Sec	Low; Undisputed value, but limited resources	Years 1-3
21	Promote use of full range of federal and state resources related to disaster mitigation such as educational materials, training, and National Weather Service forecasts.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17	BOS EMD, Chiefs, PB, DPW	HMGF Homeland Sec	Med; Budget constraints create higher priorities	Year 0-1
22	Develop a means for sharing information on a regional basis about successful disaster mitigation planning and programs. Create a feedback loop to improve pre-disaster planning by establishing a formal post-disaster assessment process.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18	EM Director	low to moderate cost to implement Dept Budget; may ID programs for HMGF or HS funding.	Low Individual community carries burden	Year 0-1
<b>D. Planning</b>						
23	Find funding to review and update the regional and local disaster mitigation plans on a five-year cycle.	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17	BOS/TM EMD, DPW, PB, Planner	Budget, but can be quite time consuming	Low Funding availability may make this a higher priority	Year 0-1

24	Incorporate disaster mitigation actions into appropriate local and regional plans – Master Plans, land use, transportation, open space, and capital programming.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18	<b>PB, ConCom, EMD, DPW</b>	low to moderate cost to implement Department Budget	High Easily done; Good potential benefits	Year 0-1
25	Integrate disaster mitigation concerns into transportation projects (e.g. drainage improvements, underground utilities, etc.).	1, 2, 3, 15	<b>DPW</b>	low to moderate cost to implement Department Budget	High Easily done; Good potential benefits	Year 0-1
26	Expand the use and role of annual Capital Improvement Program	2, 3, 13, 14	<b>TM/BOS PB, DPW</b>	Generally budget funded. May include Chapter 90, grants, Local bonding	Low Funding availability may make this a higher priority	Year 0-1
27	Identify PDM actions that are consistent with the objectives of other interest groups. Collaborate with others to undertake initiatives and achieve success. (Example: conservation or env. groups that support wetlands protection, river corridor acquisition, or reducing runoff may assist.)	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17	<b>EMD/PB BOS ConCom NGO's</b>	low to moderate cost to implement Department Budget	High Easily done; Good potential benefits	Year 0-1
28	Improve the information available on at-risk properties and repetitive loss structures, in order to refine strategies	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	<b>EMD/CMRPC Chiefs PB/ConCom</b>	Can be low cost; Dept Budgets	Med; Budget constraints create higher priorities	Year 0-1
29	Work with CMRPC's Transportation Department on computer modeling for evacuation planning & re-routing post-disaster	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 18	<b>DPW/CMRPC BOS Transit Agencies PB/ConCom</b>	Departmental Budgets – coordinate with relevant contract work	Low Funding availability may make this a higher priority, through others	Year 0-1



<b>E. Regulatory Actions</b>						
<b>30</b>	Encourage the adoption of underground utility requirements in local subdivision regulations, and retrofitting of existing infrastructure	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	<b>PB</b> DPW, BOS Utility Co's	Regulatory changes low cost. Retrofitting existing infrastructure extremely costly – ID funding options	Low Very Costly Funding availability may make this a higher priority	Year 0-1
<b>31</b>	Incorporate disaster mitigation concerns into the MEPA review process.	1, 2, 3, 12, 15	<b>PB</b> BOS, DPW, Chiefs	low cost Department Budget	High Easily done; Good potential benefits	Year 0-1
<b>32</b>	Integrate disaster mitigation concerns into subdivision, site plan review, 40B reviews, and other zoning reviews. In particular require the consideration of downstream flooding impacts caused by new projects—even if the impacts cross town lines—and urban/wildland interface concerns in high-risk areas. Work on model bylaw language for urban/wildland interface and model parking standards to reduce the amount of impervious coverage.	1, 2, 3, 14	<b>PB, ZBA</b> All supporting departments and boards	MGL Ch 44 S 53G Dept Budget	High Easily done; Good potential benefits	Year 0-1

F. Emergency Response Preparedness						
33	Implement a Unified Incident Command program in place.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18	<b>EMD</b>	Homeland Security Funds	Med; Budget constraints create higher priorities	Year 0-1
34	Inventory shelter/emergency resources. Identify what services are available at the different shelters (e.g. food preparation, potable water, back-up electrical power, heat, showers, etc.) and whether the location of different shelters will be impacted by different hazards (i.e. whether flooding will make the shelter inaccessible to some residents). This would help ensure that suitable shelters are available for different types of natural hazards.	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 18	<b>EMD</b>	Low to moderate cost to implement  In some cases grant funding would be sought for implementation given the limited resources available in our Region's communities.	Med; Budget constraints create higher priorities	Year 0-1

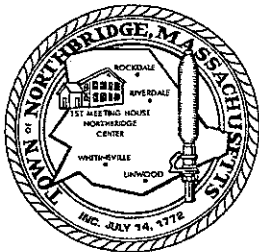
\* Abbreviations:

CDBG	Community Development Block Grant	HMPG	Hazard Mitigation and Prevention Grant
BOS	Board of Selectmen	TA	Town Administrator
EMD	Emergency Management Director	PB	Planning Board
DPW	Department of Public Works	ZBA	Zoning Board
NGO	Non-Governmental Organizations		

In assessing the level of risk, ODS evaluates the likelihood that a dam failure (an uncontrolled release of impounded water) would result in loss of life or substantial property damage. Dams that are “likely” to cause such damage are classified as “*high hazard*”; dams that “may” cause such damage are classified as “*significant hazard*.”

“*Critical*” indicates substandard, municipally-owned dams. Specifically, the Mass. Office of Dam Safety has determined that there are 100 relatively large municipally owned dams that are in poor or unsafe condition. Because each of these 100 substandard dams has the potential to cause loss of human life or significant property damage in the event of failure, this group requires more immediate remedial action, and a priority status in the list of demands for public resources. ODS refers to this group as the “100 municipally owned critical dams.”

Hazard Vulnerability Addressed Key			
1	Flood-Related Riverine	9	Severe Storms (Wind, Hail, Lightning)
2	Flood-Related Dam Failures	10	Wind-Related Hazards (Hurricanes, Nor'easters, Winter Storms)
3	Flood-Related Stormwater	11	Tornados
4	Flood-Related Thunder Storms	12	Severe Winter Storms
5	Flood-Related Winter Storms	13	Drought
6	Nor'easters	14	Fire Hazards
7	Hurricanes	15	Geologic Hazards (Tsunami, Earthquake, Landslide)
8	Tropical Storms	16	Extreme Cold
		17	Extreme Heat
		18	Conflagrations



Theodore D. Kozak  
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**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION  
TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE  
PRE-DISASTER/HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Northbridge established a Committee to prepare the Hazard Mitigation plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Northbridge Hazard Mitigation Plan contains several potential future projects to mitigate potential impacts from natural hazards in the Town of Northbridge, and

**WHEREAS**, a duly-noticed public meeting was held by the BOARD OF SELECTMEN on October 1, 2012, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Northbridge authorizes responsible departments and/or agencies to execute their responsibilities demonstrated in the plan, and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Northbridge **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**, adopts the Hazard Mitigation Plan, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 40.

**ADOPTED AND SIGNED** this Date: OCTOBER 15, 2012

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Daniel J. Nolan, Chairman

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Thomas J. Melia, Vice Chairman

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Charles Ampagoomian

**ATTEST:**

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Doreen Cedrone, Town Clerk

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James R. Marzec

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**Donna Gosselin**

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**From:** Gary Bechtholdt [gbechtholdt@northbridgemass.org]  
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**Cc:** ssusienka@northbridgemass.org; dgosselin@northbridgemass.org; 'Barbara'  
**Subject:** BOS mtg -October 01, 2012

Ted:

Can you include under Discussions for the OCT 1<sup>st</sup> BOS meeting the following:

Phase II ESA (2040 Providence Road) –Present: David LaFrance, Fuss & O’Neil and Ryan Lundergan, CMRPC

As you will recall this site was selected to participate in the Federal Brownfields Program (grant) –a Phase I & Phase II Environmental Site Assessment has been completed by Fuss & O’Neil; meeting with the BOS will be an opportunity to review their findings

Reporting (Phase I & II) is recognized as an important step in the cleaning up and redeveloping this site

Upon confirmation I will forward some info for the BOS packets.

Thanks,

-Gary

R. Gary Bechtholdt II  
Northbridge Town Planner

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## **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – OCTOBER 1, 2012**

1) **Department of Public Works/Open House & Public Tour:** An open house and public tour will be conducted on Saturday, October 20, 2012 from 10 AM to 12 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

2) **Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission Solar Workshop:** Attended a workshop at the Central Mass. Planning Commission with representatives from Hampshire Council of Government who are working on various solar and electric supply contracts for both municipalities and residents in their area. They offered to expand these programs into the Worcester area to help residents save money on their electrical bills.

3) **Emergency Management Radio Transmitter Training:** The Emergency Management Team attended a demonstration on AM radio transmitter system. Chief Nestor believes this could be a viable option for the town and will look into obtaining a transmitter for Northbridge.

4) **Environmental Protection Agency – Wastewater Treatment Plant Draft Permit:** The Town has received a draft permit for a 5-year license for the Wastewater Treatment Plant facility. The conditions are being reviewed by the town's consultant and if the public would like to view it please feel free to contact the Town Manager's Office or Mark Kuras at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

5) **ICMA Conference:** I will be attending the annual ICMA Manager's Conference from October 6, 2012 through October 10, 2012.

6) **Press Release:** The Northbridge Police Department will hold a "bicycle auction" at the Northbridge Police Department on Saturday, October 13, 2012 at 10:00 A.M.

T.Mgr Report  
10/11 & 10/15  
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**TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE - DPW**

OPEN HOUSE



**OPEN HOUSE &  
PUBLIC TOUR**

*Tour the DPW Facilities &  
"Learn About What We Do?"*

**Saturday - October 20, 2012  
Department of Public Works  
11 Fletcher Street, Whitinsville, M A  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Phone (508) 234-3581**

9/28/12 SC: BOS G. B.

## PRESS RELEASE

The Northbridge Police Department will hold a "bicycle auction" at the Northbridge Police Department on Saturday, October 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Approximately twenty bicycles will be auctioned.

The bicycles will be on display at 9:30 a.m. This auction is open to Northbridge residents. Bids will start at \$5.00 and must be paid in cash.

The police department is conducting this auction as allowed under Mass General Law.