

**TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
NORTHBRIDGE TOWN HALL
7 MAIN STREET - WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588
September 14, 2015 AT 6:00PM**

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES / None

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. 1) 6:05 PM: Dog Hearing requested by Brenda and Roger Demers for a dangerous dog kept and owned by Jane and Christopher Gentile

III. APPOINTMENTS/By the Board of Selectmen:

- B. 1)** Richard Chiras, Conservation Commission
- 2)** Cynthia Donati, Zoning Board of Appeals [Regular Member]
- 3)** Douglas C. Curving, Zoning Board of Appeals [Associate Member]

IV. CITIZENS' COMMENTS/INPUT

Local Business Spotlight: Little Man Originals – Present: Christine Guanipa, Proprietor

V. DECISIONS

- C. 2015 MassWorks Infrastructure application/1)** Vote to authorize Chairman Melia to submit the application on behalf of the town for a project to be known as the “Church Street Extension Corridor Project” and **2)** Vote to authorize acceptance of state funding for this project (estimated at \$1.8mil).
- D. Deane Way (Hillside Garden Estates) /** Vote intent to layout Deane Way (Hillside Garden Estates) as a public way
- E. Fall Annual Town Meeting [October 27, 2015] /** Vote to sign warrant upon completion and final review by Town Counsel
- F. Armenian Apostolic Church/1)** Request to hang a banner over Church Street from April 10, 2016 to April 24, 2016 to commemorate Martyrs’ Day **2)** Request to hang a banner over Church Street from August 7, 2016 to August 21, 2016 to advertise the annual Armenian Picnic to be held on Sunday, August 21, 2016.
- G. Village Congregational Church [Robert G. Sherwood, Pastor]/**Request permission to use Memorial Park on Sunday, October 11, 2015, from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. for a worship service
- H. Pine Grove Cemetery / Peter A. Hogan [Lot Nos. 85 and 87 – Fir Ave South]**
- I. MRA Multisport [Alex/1)** Request to hold the 4th annual 1st Day 5k road race beginning at 11 AM **2)** Request to close down Linwood Avenue
- J. Safety Committee Minutes [May 20, 2015 and August 19, 2015]/**Vote to accept recommendations

VI. DISCUSSIONS

- K. CDM Smith/Update re: Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, plant and permit, and Gravity Thickener Rebuild – Present: Robert Otoski, Megan Moody, Chad Kershaw**
- L. Building Planning and Construction Committee /Update on DPW Facility - Present: Michael Beaudoin**
- M. Fundraiser for Council on Aging vehicle - Present: Kelly Bol, Senior Center Director**
- N. Selectmen’s meeting schedule**
- O. Review procedure for Board / Committee members who resign**
- P. Street Lights**
- Q. Request for no littering signs**
- R. National Pow-Mia Recognition Day – Friday, September 18, 2015**

THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

VII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- S. 1) Storm Water Seminar
2) Good Energy Aggregation Project
3) Quinsigamond Community College Update
4) Lieutenant Governor Meeting on Local Issues
5) Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission / Regional Manager Workshop
6) School Based Behavioral Health Update/Anti-Drug Seminar/Workshop

VIII. SELECTMEN'S CONCERNS

IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

X. CORRESPONDENCE

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Under M.G.L. Chapter 30A, S21 #3 – To discuss strategy with respect to litigation.

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A.

♦ OPEN HEARING

♦ ADMINISTER OATH

1. Ask everyone who will testify to stand (all at once), raise their right hand and take the following oath:

"DO YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR THAT THE TESTIMONY YOU ARE ABOUT TO GIVE IS THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH?"

2. Once that is completed, these steps should be followed:

COMPLAINANT'S CASE

- I. COMPLAINANT'S TESTIMONY
- II. SUPPORTING WITNESSES TESTIMONY
- III. QUESTIONS/CROSS EXAMINATION BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN
- IV. QUESTIONS/CROSS EXAMINATION BY DOG OWNER AND/OR DOG OWNER'S COUNSEL

DOG OWNER'S CASE

- V. DOG OWNER'S TESTIMONY
- VI. SUPPORTING WITNESSES TESTIMONY
- VII. QUESTIONS/CROSS EXAMINATION BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN
- VIII. QUESTIONS/CROSS EXAMINATION BY COMPLAINANT AND/OR COMPLAINANT'S COUNSEL

- ♦ CONCLUSION:
- ♦ CHAIRMAN SHOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO CLOSE THE HEARING.
- ♦ BOARD SHOULD DELIBERATE IN OPEN SESSION AS TO FINDINGS OF FACT.
(Any findings of fact should be made in motion form)
- ♦ CHAIRMAN MAY ENTERTAIN ANOTHER MOTION CONCERNING THE APPROPRIATE SANCTION OR ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD
(Ex: For severe infractions = Restraint, banishment, or disposal of dog)
~ Of course, if circumstances warrant it, the penalty need not be so severe ~

Per MGL Chapter 140, Section 157

Based on credible evidence and testimony presented at the public hearing, the hearing authority shall:

| DISMISS THE COMPLAINT | IF DEEMED A NUISANCE DOG | IF DEEMED A DANGEROUS DOG The hearing authority shall order 1 or more of the following: |
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| | The hearing authority may further order that the owner or keeper of the dog take remedial action to improve the cause of the nuisance behavior. | (i) That the dog be humanely restrained |
| | | (ii) That the dog be confined to the premises of the keeper of the dog |
| | | (iii) That when removed from the premises of the owner or keeper of the dog, the dog shall be securely and humanely muzzled and restrained |
| | | (iv) That the owner or keeper of the dog provide proof of insurance in an amount not less than \$100,000 insuring the owner or keeper against any claim, loss, damage or injury to persons, domestic animals or property |
| | | (v) That the owner or keeper of the dog provide to the licensing authority or animal control officer or other entity identified in the order, information by which a dog may be identified, throughout its lifetime |
| | | (vi) That unless an owner or keeper of the dog provides evidence that a veterinarian is of the opinion the dog is unfit for alterations because of a medical condition, the owner or keeper of the dog shall cause the dog to be altered so that the dog shall not be reproductively intact; or |
| | | (vii) That the dog be humanely euthanized. |

No order shall be issued directing that a dog deemed dangerous shall be removed from the town or city in which the owner of the dog resides. No city or town shall regulate dogs in a manner that is specific to breed.

7/17/15 } C: KYP (Domeski)
7/18/17 Dan Chauvin.
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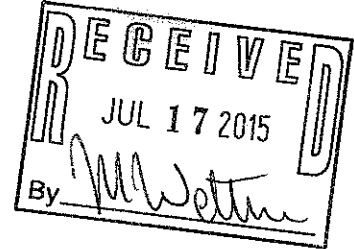
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July 15, 2015

Via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested

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

Daniel Chauvin
Animal Control Officer
Town of Northbridge
7 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588



Re: Complaint of Dangerous Dog – M.G.L. c. 140, § 157

Dear Board of Selectmen & Mr. Chauvin:

Please be advised that I represent Brenda and Roger Demers of Shrewsbury, MA. Please allow this letter to serve as a complaint pursuant to M.G.L. c. 140, § 157 of a dangerous dog owned and kept by Jane E. Gentile and Christopher D. Gentile of 107 Kennedy Circle, Northbridge, MA 01534 (hereinafter the “Gentiles”). Please direct your response to this complaint to my attention.¹

The Gentiles are owners and currently keepers of a Siberian Husky named Ticqua. On June 14, 2015, Ticqua attacked, mauled, and killed two dogs owned by my clients. My clients’ dogs were a miniature Poodle named Graham that was 6.5 years old and weighed approximately 7 pounds, and a long-haired Chihuahua named Odin that was 4 years old and weighed approximately 4 pounds. The dogs were attacked and killed by Ticqua while the animals were lodged at Gibson’s Natural Pet Resort located at 139 Upton Street, Grafton, MA. According to the Town of Grafton, Ticqua was relinquished to the Northbridge Animal Control Officer to be quarantined at the Gentiles’ home for an undetermined period of time. A true and accurate copy of the Grafton Animal Control Officer’s report is attached to this letter.

M.G.L. c. 140, § 137 states, in pertinent part, that “[a]ny person may file a complaint in writing to the hearing authority that a dog owned or kept in the city or town is a . . . dangerous dog.” Upon receipt of the complaint, the statute requires an investigation be pursued, “including an examination under oath of the complainant at a *public hearing* in the municipality to determine whether the dog is a [] dangerous dog.” *Id.* (emphasis added). If, at the public hearing, the municipality determines that the dog is a dangerous dog, the municipality may enter various orders, such as the dog be restrained; confined to the premises of the owner or keeper; the owner or keeper provide proof of insurance of an amount not less than \$100,000; and/or that the dog be “humanely euthanized.”

¹ I understand that Northbridge previously provided my clients with a “complaint” form. However, the form provided references General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 137, which is the incorrect statutory reference for this complaint.

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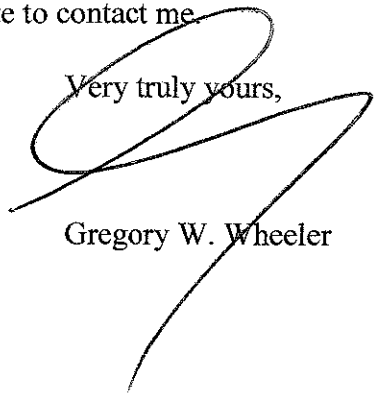
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It is naturally my clients' position that the Siberian Husky owned by the Gentiles and kept within the Town of Northbridge is a very dangerous animal that viciously mauled and murdered my clients' significantly smaller and non-threatening miniature Poodle and Chihuahua. Accordingly, my clients submit this complaint under M.G.L. c. 140, § 157 and hereby request that the Town of Northbridge conduct an investigation of this incident and hold a public hearing as mandated by the statute.

Considering the severity and seriousness of this matter, my clients and I anticipate and expect that the Town of Northbridge will wish to investigate and hear this matter as soon as possible. Therefore, my clients and I demand that this matter be included in the agenda at the next meeting of the Board of Selectmen on Monday, August 17, 2015.

Thank you in advance for your attention to and cooperation with this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



Gregory W. Wheeler

Cc: Clients



WALTER J. WARCHOL
CHIEF OF POLICE

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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

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TIMOTHY LABRIE
LIEUTENANT

To: Chief Walter Warchol

From: ACO Daniel Chauvin

Subject: Dog (Ticqua) from #107 Kennedy Circle. Northbridge

On 06/15/2015, I (Daniel Chauvin—ACO) was contacted by Roger Demers (#42 Kinglet Rd. Shrewsbury), regarding an incident that occurred at Gibson Dog Kennel in Grafton Ma. Mr. Demers informed me that on 06/14/15, his two dogs (Graham-Poodle, Odin-Chihuahua) were killed by another dog at that kennel. Mr. Demers stated that he went to pick up his two dogs and was informed that both had been mauled to death by a husky (Ticqua). Note: Tiqua is owned by the Gentile family (#107 Kennedy Cir. Northbridge). Mr. Demers stated that he was very upset at the situation and demanded that I travel to the residence that the husky resides at and immediately euthanize the husky. I informed Mr. Demers that I simply cannot take the husky and euthanize her. I explained to Mr. Demers the proper procedure is call a public hearing to see if the husky was a danger to the public and if it should or should not be deemed "vicious". I Also explained to Mr. Demers was the fact that the entire incident was confined to a commercial dog facility, that a civil suit was the most likely best course of action.

As far as outlining a timeline of events ... it is impossible as there were no witnesses to the attack, and the only known fact is that the three dogs somehow made contact with each other resulting in the forthcoming fatalities. I spoke with Eugene Ploss (ACO for Grafton). Mr. Ploss stated that he was investigating the incident and it appeared that at some point in time, Ticqua and the two other

dogs had gotten loose from their kennels and Ticqua allegedly attacked and killed the two smaller dogs.

On Sunday, July 5, 2015, I travelled to #107 Kennedy Cir. and met with the Gentile family. I asked if I could see Ticqua and was allowed to. I found that Ticqua was extremely friendly and docile. I was allowed interaction with Ticqua for a substantial amount of time and found no aggressive tendencies. I also spoke with several neighbors that live next to the Gentile family and all persons that I spoke to regarding Ticqua stated that they have never had any issues or concerns about her behavior. Also, the police department looked back five years in their records and found no calls to #107 Kennedy Circle regarding Ticqua. I found that the Gentiles appeared to be very responsible dog owners and Ticqua was well cared for. Ticqua is also up to date on all shots, vaccinations and is registered with the Town of Northbridge.

My experience as ACO shows me that this is strictly a CIVIL CASE. No violations or animal control infractions were committed by the husky, past or present. There is no public danger that I see from Ticqua. I am confident the Gentile family will continue to be the good and responsible pet owners.

Respectfully submitted, July 6th, 2015

Daniel A. Chauvin

Regional Animal Control Officer

Northbridge, Sutton , Millbury



Rochelle Thomson
Animal Inspector

Board of Health

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(508) 234-3272

To: The Northbridge Board of Health

From: Rochelle Thomson, Animal Inspector

RE: Incident with Northbridge Resident's Dog at Gibson Kennel in Grafton on 6/14/2015

Date: June 25, 2015

On Monday June 15, 2015 at 11:28am, Jeanne Gniadek, the Northbridge Board of Health Administrator, sent me an email notifying me that the Grafton Animal Control Officer had contacted her. She stated in her email that Gene Ploss, the Animal Control Officer, reported to her that they had an incident at Gibson Kennels in Grafton and that a Northbridge resident's dog, that was being kenneled there, got into an altercation with other dogs and killed two of them. The email indicated at the dog owner was a Jane Gentile of 117 Kennedy Circle, Northbridge, MA (508) 561-9715. The email concluded with Eugene Ploss's contact telephone number.

508-234-8126

Upon receipt of the email, I contacted Eugene Ploss in regards to the incident for further information necessary to be able to follow-up with a required quarantine (Massachusetts Rabies Protocol Management of Dogs & Cats Exposed to Other Domestic Animals), per M.G.L. Chapter 129, Section 21. At that time, Mr. Ploss, described to me the incident that occurred. He stated that a Husky had gotten loose from its kennel, as well as two small dogs a Chihuahua and a Poodle and the Husky killed them. He stated that it was difficult to explain exactly how it happened and no one witnessed it. He also stated that the owner of the facility was out of town at the time of the incident, which was the day before. Mr. Ploss stated that all of the dogs were vaccinated for rabies at the time of the incident. He also stated to me that the owners of the two small dogs were not able to be contacted. He stated that several attempts had been made. Mr. Ploss gave me the little dog's owner's information, which he had obtained from the file at Gibson's Kennel, which was Brenda and Roger Demers of 42 Kingsley Road, Shrewsbury, MA. He did not have the dogs names involved in the incident. Mr. Ploss stated that the Husky's owner would be picking up the dog from the kennel and bringing the dog home for quarantine later that afternoon.

After speaking with Mr. Ploss, I contacted Gibson's Kennel and spoke with Mr. Bob Gibson. I requested to know more information about the dogs involved in the altercation. Mr. Gibson informed me that the Poodle was named "Graham" and that he was brown and the Chihuahua was named "Odin" and he was white. He also told me that the Husky's name was "Ticqua". That was the extent of the conversation that had transpired between Mr. Gibson and me.

At approximately 6:30pm, I went to 117 Kennedy Circle to follow-up and to issue a 10-day quarantine on the Gentile's dog. When I arrived at the residence, I was greeted by a large black Labrador Retriever and a woman who came to the door. I was informed that I was at the wrong address. The resident pointed to her neighbor's home, once I explained to her who I was and who was I was looking for. The correct address was 107 Kennedy Circle and not 117. I later also found out that the address of 42 Kingsley Road was actually 42 Kinglet Road and that the address and telephone numbers for the Demer's on file were not current. It has since been reported to me that the Demer's are currently residents in Upton, MA.

When I went to the door of 107, I was greeted by a Husky, who was identified as Ticqua, and a teenage girl. The Husky looked like a show-quality Husky, smaller in size with long hair and a very distinct mask pattern on her face. I identified myself to the teenage girl and explained why I was there. She informed me that her mother was not home and tried to get her father who was upstairs. However, when she went upstairs to get him, she found that her father was in the shower (I did hear water running). I gave her a copy of the quarantine order, a copy of the state quarantine laws, and rabies information. I left my business card and requested that she tell her parents to please contact me.

On June 16, 2015, Mrs. Jane Gentile contacted me by telephone. We spoke extensively about the incident that had occurred. She was extremely upset about the incident and stated that she had been a customer of Gibson's for many years and had never had a problem before. She went there for grooming and kenneling. She also stated that her dog has played with many dogs in the past, even in play groups at Gibson's, and had never had a problem. She stated that when she had originally been informed about the incident she was told that her dog broke out of her kennel and broke into another kennel and killed two little dogs. However, when she went to the Gibson's Kennel to pick up her dog she was brought outback by Mr. Gibson and that the story seemed to be much different.

Mrs. Gentile stated to me that Mr. Gibson brought her into the kenneling area in the back to show her where Ticqua was kenneled. She then stated that she had never been back in this area before. She said that he brought her to the run and showed her how he thought she had gotten loose. She said that he wiggled the door and then it popped open. She then stated that there was another dog in the same kennel that her dog had been in (even after he just showed her that he knew it was not right) and he placed his foot in front of the door to prevent the dog, that was in this same kennel, from being able to run out. He then showed her the kennel where the two small dogs had been kenneled, which was two kennels down. She said that he pointed to the bottom of that kennel and there was a gap at the bottom. She stated that Mr. Gibson had surmised that the little dogs had gotten out of their kennel by squeezing through the bottom. Mrs. Gentile stated that no one had seen the incident occur and there were no surveillance cameras. She had been told, that in the morning, a person went into the back and opened the galantine doors, which is the middle door between the inside and outside of the kennels, to

let the dogs in and out and then went up front to help a customer. She then stated that the girl who was in the front ,helping customers, heard screaming and went into the back to find the Husky loose, with one of the little dogs pinned in the kennel area and the other little dog was found dead in its run with the kennel door still shut.

At the end of our conversation, Mrs. Gentile explained to me that she was going to be on vacation, at the end of the 10 days, and that someone was going to be staying and watching the dog at her house while they were gone.

On Monday June 22, 2015 at 9:28am, Jeanne Gniadek- Northbridge Board of Health Administrator, sent me an email stating that she had received a voicemail from Brenda Demers regarding the incident that had occurred at Gibson's Kennels the week before. Mrs. Demer's had just returned home from her vacation to find out that her dogs had been killed ,while she was gone, and was extremely upset about it. Mrs. Demer's was upset that the dog that had killed her dogs was released from Gibson's and had not been euthanized. Jeanne Gniadek, Board of Health Administrator, explained to her the role or position that the Board of Health plays in regards to quarantining and health inspection of the biting dog. She explained to her the legal process in regards to having a dog hearing and dangerous dog by-laws. She told her that she would have to contact Daniel Chauvin, the Northbridge Animal Control Officer, in regards to having a dog hearing and the process to request a hearing. She explained to Mrs. Demers that dogs were just not euthanized, there was a legal process and procedure.

When I received the email, I contacted Jeanne Gnaidek. She explained to me the conversation that she had with Mrs. Demer's. She requested that I also contact Mrs. Demer's, and then gave me the telephone number of 508-942-3340. She wanted me to confirm the quarantine order and to also to answer any questions that Mrs. Demer's might have. After speaking with Jeanne Gnaidek, I called the telephone number and only received Brenda Demer's voicemail. I left a voicemail on the phone.

On June 22, 2015 at approximately 4:30pm, Mr. Roger Demer's contacted me back in regards the voicemail that I had left on his wife's voicemail. He stated that his wife was not available to talk and we spoke in regards to the incident that occurred. He stated to me that they had hired a lawyer and that he had also spoken to Dan Chauvin the Northbridge Animal Control Officer in regards to the incident. Mr. Demer's expressed his concerns in regards to the safety of the public with the dog that had killed his. I tried to explain the difference between the two positons of the Animal Control Officer and the Animal Inspector jobs. He was very disturbed by being bounced between the two and going back and forth. I explained to him my role in regards to the health inspection and referred him to the M.G.L. Chapter 140 laws in regards to having a dog hearing and explained the process. He expressed his utter dismay that we were talking about animals, not people, and the dog should just be put to sleep. He stated "the dog now has the taste of blood and will kill again. If the dog hurts anyone or anything, I am personally going to hold the Town of Northbridge liable". Mr. Demer's stated to me that he was not out to get money over this situation. Mr. Demer's then expressed his dismay about the Grafton Animal Control Officer not getting back to him and that he requested a report that about the incident, that occurred over a week ago, and there was not one done? I explained to him that I had no involvement with that, I was only the Animal Health Inspector for the Town of Northbridge. He then expressed his concerns to me about

Husky's being on the list of the top 10 most dangerous dogs. Mr. Demer's then brought up the issue that the Gentile's Husky was not licensed and should not have been released. I explained to him that the dog was licensed and that it was vaccinated when it had been released from the kennel. I also told him that the Board of Health Administrator had also checked the records on file in the office and that there were no other previous incidents for the Gentile's dog.

Mr. Demer's explained to me that he had heard conflicting stories about what exactly had happened and how his dogs got killed. He stated to me that he had been told that the owner of the facility had been in New York at the time and that teenagers were left in charge. First, he stated that he had been originally been told that the Husky broke loose from its kennel and then broke into his dogs kennel and mauled his dogs to death (ate their stomachs out). Then he stated that he had been told that the Husky was let loose, when they were cleaning its kennel, and the Husky was not being watched and it went into a restricted area, and then got into his dogs kennel and proceeded to maul them to death. I told Mr. Demers the story that I was told, by the other dog owner is that there was a faulty door latch and that there was gap in his dog's kennel and his dogs could squeeze themselves out. I told him no one will really know the truth because it was not recorded by camera, and that It was also reported that no one is reported of actually witnessing the incident . .

Mr. Demer's stated to me that he was contacting hundreds of Facebook people and the news about the incident and that they were not going to let the incident just go away. I concluded the conversation with my condolences to him for his loss. I told him that I did not have kids myself and if something like this had happened to me, I would also be devastated. I started to cry on the phone and I stated that I felt very bad, but the responsibility for this incident was truly negligence in part of Gibson's Kennels. They had failed all of the dogs involved in this incident.

On Tuesday June 23, 2015 at 8:22am, Brenda Demer's called and left a voicemail on my cellular telephone. She stated that she had a couple of questions. I returned her call at 9:49am , right after I had received her voicemail. I left a message telling her that I was returning her call. At 10:07am , Mrs. Demer's called my phone again and I answered. Mrs. Demer's stated that she had a couple of questions. The first question she asked me is if I inspected the kennel, and if not who was responsible for that? I answered that the Animal Control Officer is responsible for that in each Town. I was the Animal Health Inspector in Northbridge. She would have to contact Grafton in regards to any questions about that. She then asked why the dog was released, if it was not licensed. I told her that the dog was currently licensed. She then stated that she could not understand why the dog was released and not directly euthanized, and that it could just go free. I answered that it had to go before a hearing if the owner of the dog did not euthanized it on their own after the quarantine. Mrs. Demer's then stated yelling at me that she was going to sue me and everyone else that was involved in this situation. She stated that the dog just busted through its cage and then just busted through her dogs cage and ripped them apart; It was not fair. She then stated that she was going to the news and going to broadcast the incident all over Facebook. I told her that I did not believe I had done anything wrong. The state protocol was an in-home quarantine and that the safest place to have this dog at this time was not in a commercial kennel. Mrs. Demer's continued to vent and I did not say anything, but just listened. After she had finished, I said "Thank-you" and hung up the phone.

Immediately, after the conversation, I contacted the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources. First, I contacted Michael Cahill the Director of Animal Health and received his voicemail. I left him a message. Second, I contacted Elsie Cologne the Rabies Coordinator. She answered the phone and I explained the entire situation and incident to her. The Department of Food and Agriculture is the State's Management of Animal Inspector's, as well as Animal Control Officers and their official duties. Elsie stated that an in-home quarantine was correct in this situation. However, the last dog that they had that did a similar act was placed under 45-day quarantine. The other two dogs in this situation were deceased and could not be verified that they were healthy during the incident. Because of the circumstances, they would never require testing of the other dogs because of the already horrible demise.

At 12:34pm, Michael Cahill- The Director of Massachusetts Animal Health contacted me back in regards to the voicemail that I left about the incident. I personally informed him of the incident that occurred at Gibson's Kennel. Mr. Cahill confirmed with me an in-home quarantine of 45 days was appropriately done. He also stated to me that the Animal Control Officer in Grafton was responsible for the Kennel Inspection. He stated that he was appreciative of notice of the incident and that the deceased dog owners had the right under M.G.L. Chapter 140, Section 157 to having a Dog Hearing. They should go directly to the Town of Northbridge's Selectmen. I explained to him that I had already informed them of both of his advisements.

After speaking with Michael Cahill, I then contacted Daniel Chauvin-ACO (Northbridge) and Jeanne Gniadek-BOH (Northbridge), in regards to the current situation over the incident. I explained to them that I had contacted the state and had reported the incident to them. I told Jeanne Gniadek that Michael Cahill wanted 45-day quarantine and not 10-day quarantine. Daniel Chauvin and I spoke about the situation that had transpired at the kennel. Daniel Chauvin ACO gave me his perspective of the incident and stated that he holds the kennel completely responsible for the incident. The incident occurred on private property in a controlled environment. He also stated to me that he had also been informed that the kennel had been left in the supervisory control of the Gibson's teenage son. Dan Chauvin also stated to me that the Gentile's dog has no previous history on record that he knew of in the Town of Northbridge.

After contacting Daniel Chauvin and Jeanne Gniadek, I tried contacting Jane Gentile by telephone. I left her a voicemail and requested that she please call me. She contacted me back at approximately 2:30pm. We spoke extensively in regards to the incident. Since I had been in contact with her on the previous Tuesday, no one else had updated her on anything. She was supposed to have been notified by Gibson's Kennel when the other dog owners had returned and had been notified about the incident. I told her the about the current situation and about the Demer's being extremely distraught. I told her that the Demer's were pressing to have her dog euthanized. We discussed Dog Hearings and I tried to explain to her about their process, procedure, what they could order, and her legal rights. We also discussed the legalities of negligence on the part of Gibson's Kennels. I also explained to her about the State's change in the amount of days for quarantine from a 10-day to a 45-day. When I hung up the telephone with her, I contacted Agape Animal Hospital and informed them of the incident and the 45-day quarantine. I told them that the Gentile's were informed that they had to have to have a Rabies

booster done on "Ticqua", per the order of a 45-day quarantine. A couple of hours later, Mrs. Gentile contacted me and informed me that reporters were trying to contact her and it was on the news.

At approximately 7:00pm, I went to the Gentile's residence and re-issued quarantine paperwork for an in-home strict confinement 45-day quarantine. The paperwork was signed by Mrs. Gentile. Mr. and Mrs. Gentile were both there when I arrived. We discussed the situation more. I advised that they may also want to look into getting a lawyer. On June 24, 2015, Mrs. Gentile contacted me in regards to finding out more information about the Demer's. She stated that they were in the process of obtaining a lawyer because the Demer's were posting personal information about them on the internet and they were concerned about their personal safety.

Sharon Susienka

From: Jeanne Gniadek <jgniadek@northbridgemass.org>
Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2015 2:15 PM
To: ssusienka@northbridgemass.org
Cc: Rochelle Thomson
Subject: Gentile Quarantine - TICQUA

Sharon-

Please be advised that the records in this office regarding the 45-day in-home quarantine of TICQUA, owned by Jane Gentile of 107 Kennedy Circle, Northbridge, has been completed. This dog has been released from its quarantine effective July 29, 2015.

Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator
Northbridge Board of Health
Aldrich School Town Hall Annex
14 Hill Street
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FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

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| TO: | FROM: |
| Daniel Chauvin- Dog Officer | Town Administrator's office |
| COMPANY: | DATE: |
| Town of Northbridge | July 1, 2015 |
| | TOTAL NO. OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER: |
| | 3 |
| FAX NUMBER: | SENDER'S PHONE NUMBER: |
| 508-234-7640 | 508-839-5335 x 1180 |
| RE: | SENDER'S FAX NUMBER: |
| Dog Officer Report | 508-839-4602 |

☐ URGENT ☒ FOR REVIEW ☐ PLEASE COMMENT ☐ PLEASE REPLY ☐ PLEASE RECYCLE

NOTES/COMMENTS:

Dear Mr. Chauvin,

Here is the report from the Town of Grafton's Dog Officer, regarding the incident at Gibson Kennels.

Thank you,

Laura St John-Dupuis
Town of Grafton
30 Providence Road
Grafton, MA 01519

to whom it may concern:

the incident that happened at Gibson kennels on june 14, 2015 was given to me by Mr Gibson when he called and left a message on that sunday afternoon. i returned his call on monday morning june 15th and he told of an incident that had happened the previous afternoon. the incident involved 3 dog at the kennel of which 2 were killed. he stated a huskie owned by Jane and Christopher Gentile of 117 Kennedy circle of Northbridge ma. attacked and killed 2 dogs a mini poodle and a small chihuahua owned by Brendon Demers of 14 Kinglet circle Shrewsbury ma.

He proceeded to show me where the incident happened and tried to explain what he thought had happened, the 2 small dogs were in a holding area, where he feels the huskie was in the common area and pushed the gate open and the smaller dogs squeezed under the gate from the holding area into the common area, someone heard the ruckus and dashed over to see but it was too late.

The huskie was still at the kennel when i was there and the owners wanted to take him home, but i explained the dog had to be quarantined and i called the Northbridge dog officer and he stated he didn't do the quarrantines so he gave me the phone number of the person in charge and i phoned her and explained the situation and she said that she would follow

through and do an in home quarantine.

the phone number for the person in charge is

508-234-8512

Eugene Ploss

animal control

graffton mass

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Ploss', written in a cursive style.

Melissa Wetherbee

From: Walter J. Warchol <wwarchol@northbridgemass.org>
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2015 11:02 AM
To: Melissa Wetherbee
Cc: tkozak@northbridgemass.org
Subject: FW: Gibson Kennels
Attachments: DSC02692.JPG; DSC02690.JPG; DSC02691.JPG

Melissa:

I am forwarding pictures you some pictures of the Gibson Kennels for the dog hearing on 9/14. I am writing a description of each picture. Chairman Melia requested these photos. There will be two more emails with pictures

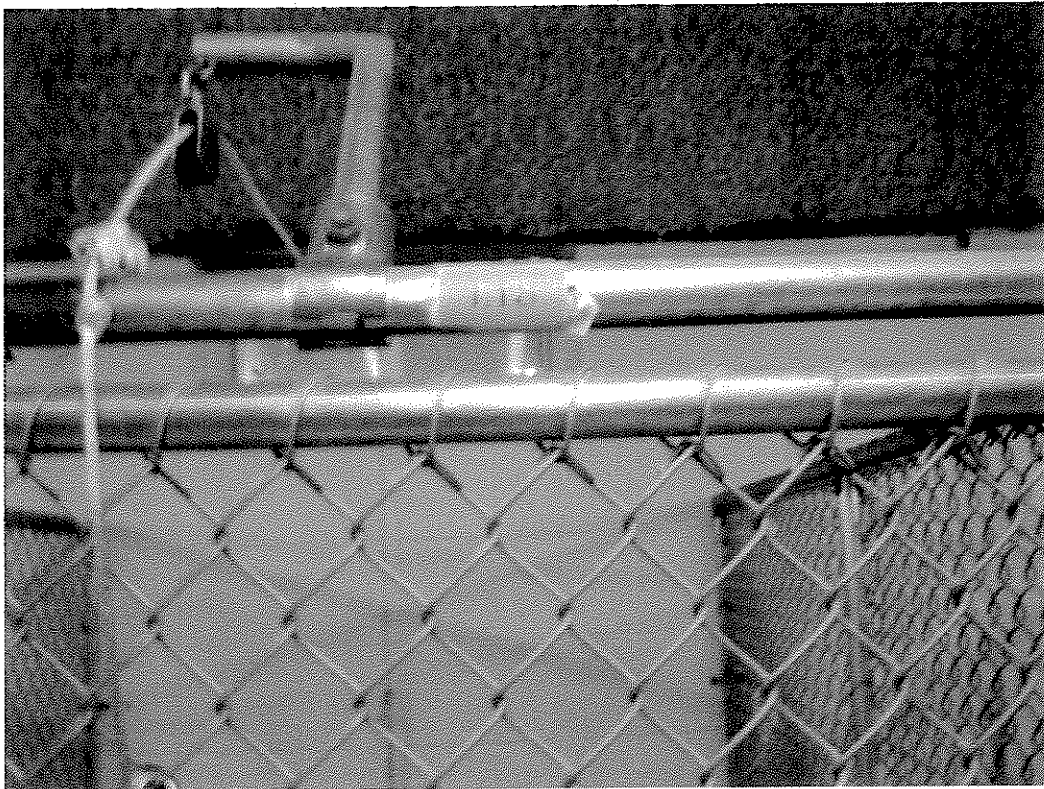
- ¶ 2692 – Outside fenced in area where incident occurred showing outdoor kennel area
- ¶ 2690 – Kennel that the Husky was housed in
- ¶ 2691 – Opposite end of fenced in area where incident occurred
- ¶ 2685 – Inside kennels where dogs are housed
- ¶ 2684 – Inside kennel where one of the dogs were housed
- ¶ 2689 – Outside kennel w/picture of latch system
- ¶ 2686 – Outside kennel where one of the dogs were housed
- ¶ 2687 – Inside kennels
- ¶ 2688 – Inside kennels

Chief Warchol

From: John D Ouillette [mailto:jouillette@northbridgemass.org]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 4:00 PM
To: wwarchol@northbridgemass.org
Subject: Gibson Kennels



John D. Ouillette
Detective Sergeant
jouillette@northbridgemass.org
Northbridge Police Department
1 Hope Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588
(508)234-6211
(508)234-9021 fax



Picture 1: Inside kennel where one of the dogs were housed



Picture 2: Inside kennel where dogs are housed



Picture 3: Outside kennel where one of the dogs were housed



Picture 4: Inside kennels



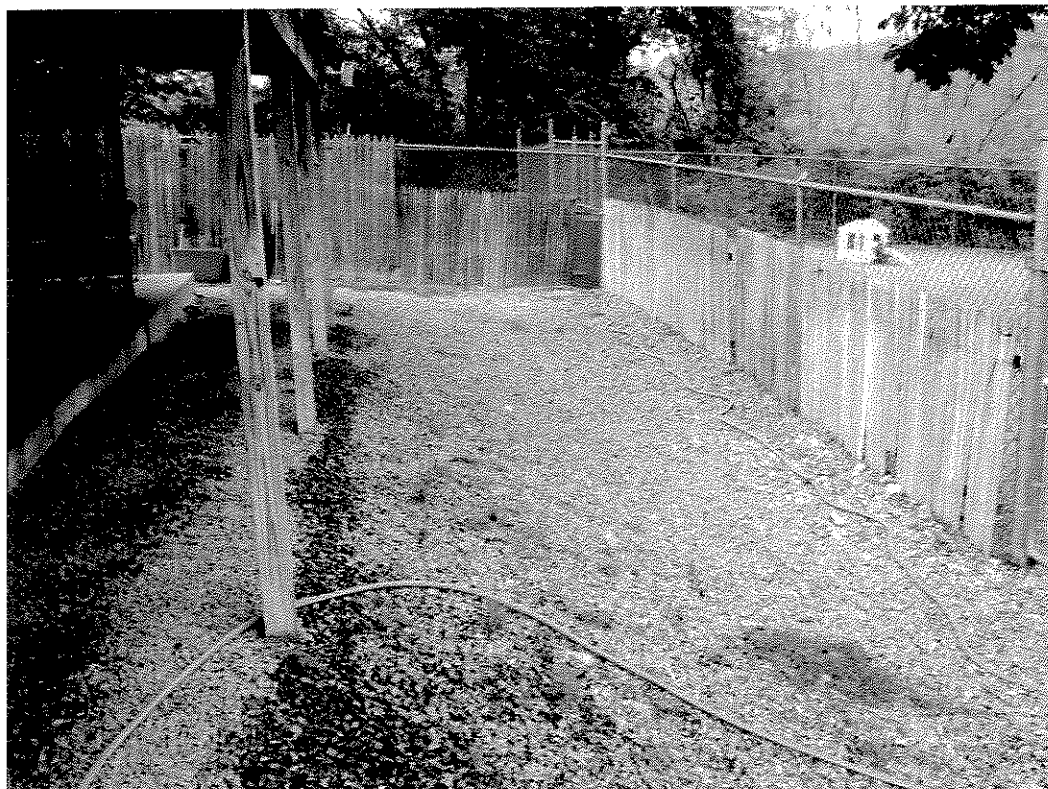
Picture 5: Inside kennels



Picture 6: Outside kennel latch system



Picture 7: Kennel that the Husky was housed in



Picture 8: Opposite end of fenced area where incident occurred



Picture 9: Outside fenced in area where incident occurred showing outdoor kennel area

Statement of Robert D. Gibson, D.O.B. 09/29/3/69, of 141 Upton St. Grafton, MA. Ph#774-248-4127. Given to Det. Sgt. John D. Ouillette on 07/07/15, at 4:00 P.M.

Q: Are you the owner of Gibson's Kennels at 139 Upton St. Grafton, MA?

A: My wife and I.

Q: How long have you been in business for?

A: 13 years.

Q: During the weekend of June 14th was there an incident where 3 dogs got loose from their confines?

A: Yes.

Q: What were the breeds of these dogs?

A: A Siberian husky, Miniature Poodle, Chihuahua.

Q: Who was in charge of the kennel that weekend?

A: My oldest son Michael.

Q: How old is Michael?

A: 24.

Q: What happened when the dogs got loose?

A: The husky was loose with the other 2 dogs while they were cleaning the inside cages. An employee heard something outside and she looked outside and saw the husky chewing on the abdomen area of the miniature poodle in the exterior cage run.

Q: How did the dogs get loose?

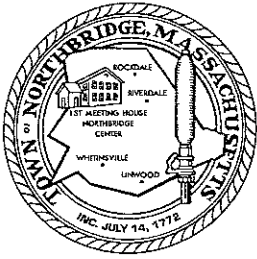
A: It appears as if the husky was pushing on the panel of the gate that loosened the brackets which pushed up the door to the cage where the other 2 dogs were being kept while the cleaning was going on, and the 2 small dogs could get underneath the cage door. The husky's cage door would have been able to open because the housing for the lock mechanism would have pulled away from it. When the employee went out the husky's cage door was wide open.

Q: Has this ever happened before?

A: No.

Q: Have you taken steps to secure these gates more tightly?
A: Yes.

Signed statement on file.



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Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager

August 25, 2015

Chauvin Protective Services, Inc.
181 Providence Road
P.O. Box 63
Linwood, MA 01525

Dear Mr. Chauvin:

Please be advised that the Northbridge Board of Selectmen voted at their August 17, 2015 meeting, to schedule a hearing for a dangerous dog on **Monday, September 14, 2015, at 6:05 PM** in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Northbridge Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville. The hearing was called as the result of a dog complaint submitted to this office by Attorney Gregory W. Wheeler on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Demers, concerning a dog attack by Ticqua, a dog kept and owned by Christopher and Jane Gentile, 107 Kennedy Circle, Northbridge, and who is alleged to have mauled and killed two dogs owned by the Demers.

The Selectmen will hold this hearing pursuant to M.G.L. c.140 §157 and if such charges are proven, the Board is authorized to make such order concerning the restraint, banishment or disposal of such dog as may be deemed necessary.

Please make arrangements to attend the hearing on the date and time noted above.

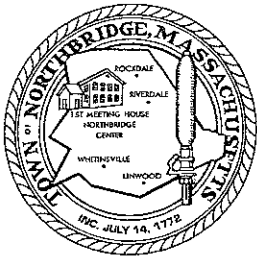
If you have any questions, or should you need additional information, please feel free to contact me at 508-234-2095.

Sincerely,

Theodore D. Kozak
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TDK/sls

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Theodore D. Kozak
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August 25, 2015

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Demers
42 Kinglet Road
Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Re: Dangerous Dog Hearing
September 14, 2015 at 6:05 PM
Northbridge Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Demers:

Please be advised that at their meeting of August 17, 2015, the Northbridge Board of Selectmen, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 140 §157, voted to set a hearing for a dangerous dog on **Monday, September 14, 2015, at 6:05 PM** in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Northbridge Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA, for the purpose of investigating charges relative to the violent attack on your dogs, Graham and Odin, on June 14, 2015 at Gibson's Kennels in Grafton, MA. Likewise, you have the right to be represented by your own Counsel, and may present witnesses and evidence to support your complaint.

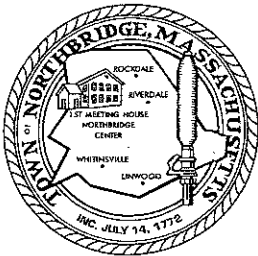
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Sincerely,

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C: Atty: Gregory W. Wheeler



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Theodore D. Kozak
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August 25, 2015

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Gentile
107 Kennedy Circle
Northbridge, MA 01534

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gentile:

As the result of information submitted to this office concerning a complaint about your dog, Ticqua, the Board of Selectmen voted at their August 17, 2015 meeting, to schedule a dangerous dog hearing for **Monday, September 14, 2015, at 6:05 PM** in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Northbridge Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA.

The Selectmen will hold this hearing pursuant to M.G.L. c.140 §157 and if such charges are proven, the Board is authorized to make such order concerning the restraint, banishment or disposal of such dog as may be deemed necessary.

You are invited to attend this meeting and respond to the allegations made against your dog. You also have the right to have legal counsel present and to introduce information, testimony, and witnesses in response to the complaints.

If you have any questions, or should you need additional information, please feel free to contact me at 508-234-2095.

Sincerely,

Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager

TDK/sls

c: Board of Selectmen
Complainant
Daniel Chauvin, Animal Control Officer

MGL CHAPTER 140, SECTION 157

OWNER'S RIGHT TO PETITION THE COURT TO REVIEW DOG ORDER/DECISION

(d) Within 10 days after an order issued under subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, the owner or keeper of a dog may bring a petition in the district court within the judicial district in which the order relative to the dog was issued or where the dog is owned or kept, addressed to the justice of the court, praying that the order be reviewed by the court or a magistrate of the court. After notice to all parties, the magistrate shall, under section 62C of chapter 221, review the order of the hearing authority, hear the witnesses and affirm the order unless it shall appear that it was made without proper cause or in bad faith, in which case the order shall be reversed. A party shall have the right to request a de novo hearing on the complaint before a justice of the court.

(e)(1) Pending an appeal by an owner or keeper under subsection (d), a hearing authority may file a petition in the district court to request an order of impoundment at a facility the municipality uses to shelter animals for a dog complained of as being a dangerous dog. A municipality shall not incur liability for failure to request impoundment of a dog under this subsection.

(2) A justice of a district court, upon probable cause to believe that a dog is a dangerous dog or that a dog is being kept in violation of this section or in violation of an order issued under this section by a hearing authority or a court, may issue an order: (i) of restraint; (ii) of confinement of the dog as considered necessary for the safety of other animals and the public; provided, however, that if an order of confinement is issued, the person to whom the order is issued shall confine the dog in accordance with clause (ii) of subsection (c); or (iii) of impoundment in a humane place of detention that the municipality uses to shelter animals; or (iv) any other action as the court deems necessary to protect other animals and the public from the dog.

(f) A justice of the district court shall hear, de novo, an appeal filed under subsection (d). Based upon credible evidence and testimony presented at trial, the court shall, whether the dog was initially complained of as a nuisance dog or as a dangerous dog: (i) dismiss the complaint; (ii) deem the dog a nuisance dog; or (iii) deem the dog a dangerous dog. The decision of the court shall be final and conclusive upon the parties.

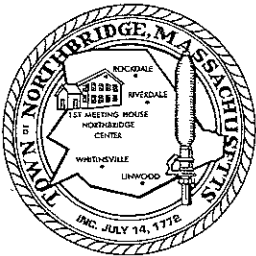
(g) If a court affirms an order of euthanasia, the owner or keeper of the dog shall reimburse the city or town for all reasonable costs incurred for the housing and care of such dog during its impoundment and throughout the appeals process, if any. Unpaid costs shall be recovered by the municipality in which the owner or keeper of the dog resides on behalf of the hearing authority by any of the following methods: (i) a lien on any property owned by the owner or keeper of the dog; (ii) an additional, earmarked charge to appear on the vehicle excise of the owner or keeper of the dog; or (iii) a direct bill sent to the owner or keeper of the dog.

All funds recovered by a municipality under this subsection shall be transferred to the organization or entity charged with the responsibility of handling dog complaints and impoundment. If the organization or entity falls under the management or direction of the municipality, costs recovered shall be distributed at the discretion of the municipality.

If the court overturns an order of euthanasia, the city or town shall pay all reasonable costs incurred for the housing and care of the dog during any period of impoundment.

(h) If an owner or keeper of a dog is found in violation of an order issued under this section, the dog shall be subject to seizure and impoundment by a law enforcement or animal control officer. If the keeper of the dog is in violation, all reasonable effort shall be made by the seizing authority to notify the owner of the dog of such seizure. Upon receipt of such notice, the owner may file a petition with the hearing authority, within 7 days, for the return of the dog to the owner. The owner or keeper shall be ordered to immediately surrender to the licensing authority the license and tags in the person's possession, if any, and the owner or keeper shall be prohibited from licensing a dog within the commonwealth for 5 years. A hearing authority that determines that a dog is dangerous or a nuisance or that a dog owner or keeper has violated an order issued under this section shall report such violations to the issuing licensing authority within 30 days.

(i) Orders issued by a hearing authority shall be valid throughout the commonwealth unless overturned under subsection (d) or (f).



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Theodore D. Kozak
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August 26, 2015

Ms. Melissa L. Gibson
Gibson Natural Pet Resort
139 Upton Street
Grafton, MA 01519

Re: Dog Hearing

Dear Ms. Gibson:

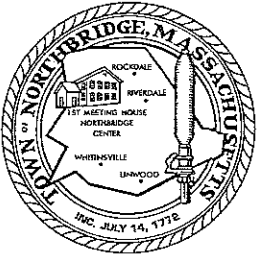
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Sincerely,

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August 26, 2015

Ms. Rochelle Thomson
239 North Main Street
Uxbridge, MA 01569

Re: Dog Hearing

Dear Ms. Thomson:

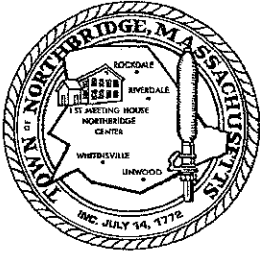
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September 9, 2015

Mr. Eugene Ploss, Animal Control Off.
Grafton Memorial Municipal Center
30 Providence Road
Grafton, MA 01519

Re: Dog Hearing re: Gibson Kennels incident on June 14, 2015

Dear Mr. Ploss:

Please be advised that a dog hearing will take place at 6:05PM on September 14, 2015, in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Northbridge Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA.

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**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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Worcester, SS

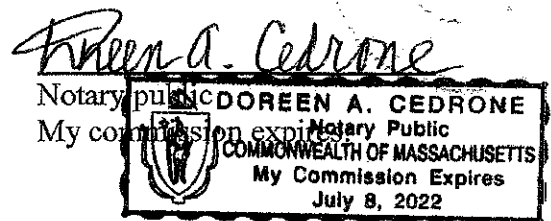
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139 Upton Street
Grafton, MA 01519

Greetings.

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Hereof fail not, as you will answer your default under the pains and penalties in the law in that behalf made and provided.

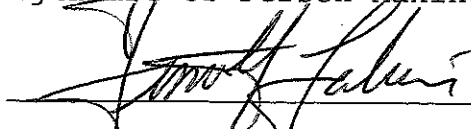
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Date of Service

9/9/15

Signature of Person Making Service


Lt. Timothy Labrie

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE**

Worcester, SS

TO: Michael Gibson
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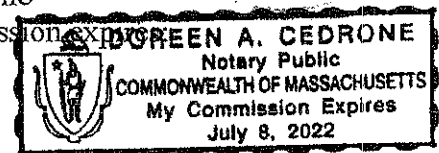
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Dated at Northbridge the 8th day of September, 2015

Brenda A. Cedrone

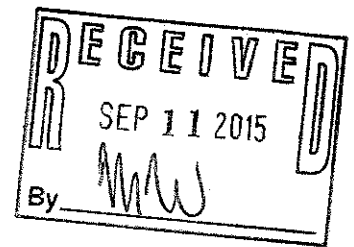
Notary public

My commission expires



LAW OFFICES of CARMINE L. GENTILE
276 Union Avenue
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CGentile33@gmail.com



September 10, 2015

Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager
Town of Northbridge
7 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588

Re: Dangerous Dog Hearing
September 14, 2015

Dear Mr. Kozak,

Please be advised that I represent Jane and Christopher Gentile regarding their dog Ticqua.

Last month I hired a professional dog trainer, Robert E. Clark, Jr., Bob Clark's Dog Training, Northbridge, MA, to examine Ticqua and am enclosing his two page report together with copies of his credentials from the United States K-9 Academy LTD. and Certificate of Achievement from Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine for the Board of Selectmen's consideration.

Thank you for your courtesy and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


Carmine L. Gentile

cc: Gregory Wheeler, Esq.
Jane and Chris Gentile

August 24, 2015

Client: Carmine L. Gentile, Esq.
276 Union Avenue
Framingham, MA 01702

Animal evaluated: Ticqua, Siberian Husky, spayed female, 9 years of age.

Reason for evaluation: Client requested Ticqua be evaluated for signs of rage or viciousness toward people or other dogs.

Evaluation: 9 AM – 5 PM on August 24, 2015 with Dog Trainer, Bob Clark. Various conditions were created with people and other dogs. Ticqua's reactions were observed.

- **Introduction:** Ticqua presents as a friendly dog. She appears healthy and well cared for. When dropped off at 9 AM, myself and other employees approached the vehicle. Ticqua was very friendly while in the vehicle and able to be patted. After being removed from the vehicle Ticqua continued to be friendly. Additionally, Ticqua walks well on a leash and will sit when given the command.

- **Isolation Test:** Ticqua was placed, alone, inside a 4-ft by 4-ft kennel for approximately two hours. Ticqua laid down and napped. She displayed no signs of isolation or separation anxiety.

- **Barrier Tests:** When placed behind a fence or leashed, some dogs will show signs of stress or aggression. This is often called 'barrier frustration'.

- Ticqua was placed in an outside 12-ft long, mesh-wire enclosure. In the field adjacent to the enclosure, several unleashed dogs roamed about freely. The number of dogs was eventually increased to eighteen. As the dogs approached the enclosure, Ticqua remained calm and friendly with no signs of stress or agitation. The dogs remained in this area for approximately 30 minutes.

- Several dogs, one by one, were placed in the mesh-wire enclosure that was beside Ticqua. The enclosures do not have isolation panels. They are separated by a chain-link fence. Therefore, the dogs can see each other. The dogs were replaced over a period of about three hours and Ticqua's response

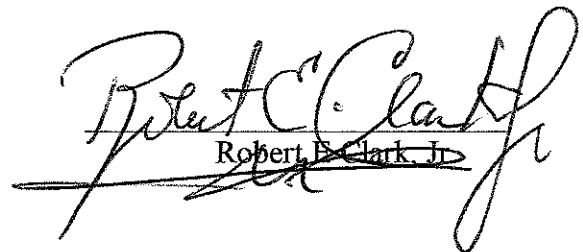
was observed. Each dog varied with respect to size, energy and level of dog aggression. Ticqua was friendly to the dogs that were not dog aggressive. She was aloof with no reaction other than to look at the dogs that were barking and aggressive.

- Ticqua was placed on a leash and led in front of and around the kennels containing dogs. Several of the dogs in the kennels reacted extremely aggressive when approached. Ticqua was unaffected by the extremely aggressive dogs. Ticqua did not display any signs of agitation or stress.

- ***Outside, with other dogs.*** Ticqua was placed on a leash then led outside to a large fenced in field. Numerous unleashed dogs roamed freely. Several dogs approached Ticqua as she was led around the field. After approximately 15 minutes Ticqua was let off the leash. Ticqua was observed as friendly and playful to all the other dogs and showed no signs of aggression.

- ***Summary:*** Throughout the eight hour evaluation Ticqua showed no signs of rage or viciousness to dogs or people. Ticqua remained calm when placed in unfamiliar environments with numerous dogs of varied size, energy and aggression levels. Although stable and well balanced during the evaluation, Ticqua, along with all pet dogs, need proper management and control to prevent any future problems. This evaluation concludes that Ticqua is not a dangerous animal.

Bob Clark
Bob Clark's Dog Training
425 School Street
Northbridge MA 01534
774-573-2959



Robert B. Clark, Jr.



CERTIFICATE OF

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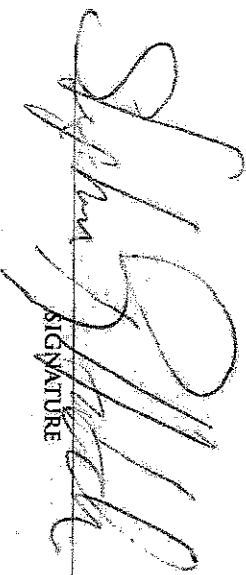
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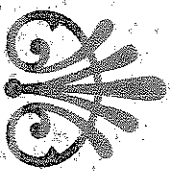
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SIGNATURE



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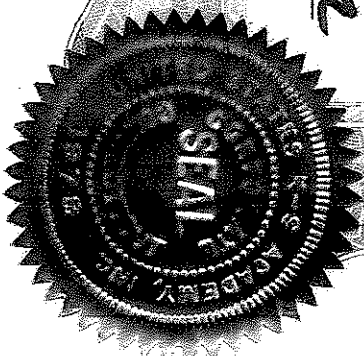
Robert E. Clark, Jr.

has been registered as a Professional Dog Trainer in our Permanent Registry File of Professional Dog Trainers, at our National Registry Office, located at: 3821 East Main St., Waterbury, CT 06705.

Date: *October 21, 1994*

Authorized Signature

James Salva



7/14/15 c: Cons Comm

TALENT BANK APPLICATION

please return to:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Northbridge Town Hall
7 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588

B.1

Pursuant to Town bylaw §4-209 (Eligibility for service),
you must be a registered voter in order to serve.

Date: 7/14/15

Name Richard C. Chiras

P. O. Box

Home Address 374 Highland St. Northbridge

Email Address RichTheFishMan@charter.net

Telephone Cell 508-341-1269

Business The Fish Man

Address 2233 Providence Rd. Tel. 508-341-1269

Current Occupation/Title Owner

Education B.V.T. Upton, Mass

Governmental, Civic & Community Activities None

Charitable & Educational Activities None

Town Committees or Offices None

I am interested in the following Committees: Conservation

Please indicate whether the applicant and/or any family members are employed by the Town of Northbridge. None

NAME: Richard C. Chiras PRECINCT# 1 TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

COMMITTEE INTEREST (Indicate Committee preference)

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| 1. Conservation <u>Conservation</u> | 4. |
| 2. | 5. |
| 3. | 6. |

Present Interest or business affiliation (dates, places)

Experience: Volunteer, social service, business (dates, places)

I have a firm grip on aquatic biology and a lg. interest in nature.
Special skills and education (be specific)

I can visualize on a microscopic level, that most people do not see
How experience relates to particular committee interest
on the surface.

looking to learn
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Mail completed form to: Northbridge Town Hall
Office of the Town Manager
7 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588

TALENT BANK APPLICATION

please return to:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
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Whitinsville, MA 01588

B.A.

Pursuant to Town bylaw §4-209 (Eligibility for service),
you must be a registered voter in order to serve.

-yes, per Town Clerk
8/25/15

Date: August 24, 2015

Name Cynthia Donati

P. O. Box

Home Address 49 Heights of Hill Street Whitinsville

Email Address Cdonati57@charter.net

Telephone 508-234-5606

Cell 508-341-8950

Business Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices - Real Estate Sales

Address 971 Providence Rd., Whitinsville Ma 01588

Tel. 508-234-6441

Current Occupation/Title Broker Associate

Education Framingham State College (APICS), New England Business School - Bookkeeping/Accounting, Lee Institute Real Estate

Governmental, Civic & Community Activities

Charitable & Educational Activities Peace of Bread, John 21 St. Patricks -

Former School Council Member, PTA Officer, Chaired Op. Grad. Taught CCD at St. Patrick's

Town Committees or Offices

I am interested in the following Committees: Zoning

Please indicate whether the applicant and/or any family members are employed by the Town of
Northbridge. None

NAME:**PRECINCT#****TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE****COMMITTEE INTEREST** (Indicate Committee preference)

1. Zoning

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Present Interest or business affiliation (dates, places)

Involvement through land development

Experience: Volunteer, social service, business (dates, places)

Special skills and education (be specific)

How experience relates to particular committee interest:

Throughout my 30 year real estate career I have been involved in many land development projects. I have learned to understand zoning for the highest and best use of land for my clients. I believe that I can make use of what I have learned to be productive member of the Zoning Board.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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- yes, per Town Clerk
8/25/15

Date:

8/25/15

Name DOUGLAS C. CURVINGP. O. Box 602 NORTHBRIDGEHome Address 1 JOHNSTON AVE Tel. 508-244-9595Business CRUSADER PROPERTIES LLCAddress PO BOX 602 NORTHBRIDGE, MA Tel. _____Current Occupation/Title TERRITORY MANAGER - VALSPAR CORP.,
REALTOR - INNOVATIVE REAL ESTATE SOLUTIONSEducation WHITINSVILLE CHRISTIAN SCHL, NORTHBRIDGE H.S. '85,
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY BS MANAGEMENT 1989,
NICHOLS COLLEGE MBA 1998Governmental, Civic & Community Activities HAMILTON RESERVOIR ASSOCIATION - MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE (PRESENT), COMMUNITY PRESERVATION INSTITUTE 2001
BLACKSTONE RIVER CLEAN-UP DAYS 2012 & 2013Charitable & Educational Activities WEBBARS ROTARY CLUB 2004-2010
WHITINSVILLE CHRISTIAN SCHL BOOSTER CLUB 2002-PRESENTTown Committees or Offices TOWN OF OXFORD, MA ALTERNATE ZBA
MEMBER 2001-2004I am interested in the following Committees: ZBA, INDUSTRIAL DEV. COMM.,
BUILDING & PLANNING/CONST COMM.

Please indicate whether the applicant and/or any family members are employed by the Town of
Northbridge. N/A

NAME: DOUGLAS CURVALLS PRECINCT# 1

TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

COMMITTEE INTEREST (Indicate Committee preference)

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| 1. | 4. |
| 2. | 5. |
| 3. | 6. |

Present Interest or business affiliation (dates, places)

Experience: Volunteer, social service, business (dates, places)

Special skills and education (be specific)

OWNED/OPERATED/FUNDED WESTBROOK PRINT & REC. INC 1997-2012
DURING THIS TIME ALSO OWNED COMM. REAL ESTATE IN DOWNTOWN
WESTBROOK, MA. PERFORMED VARIOUS PROJECTS OVER THE YEARS
INVOLVING BUILDING DEPT., PLANNING BOARD, HISTORICAL COMM.,
DOWNTOWN DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, HISTORICAL COMM & FIRE DEPT.

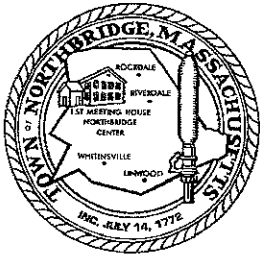
How experience relates to particular committee interest

KNOW HOW TO NETWORK, BUILD RELATIONSHIPS &
ACCOMPLISH GOALS THROUGH COMMUNITY REGULATION, LAWS
& GENERAL POLITICAL LANDSCAPES.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager

**TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER
NORTHBRIDGE TOWN HALL
7 MAIN STREET
WHITINSVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS 01588
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www.northbridgemass.org**

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September 03, 2015

Secretary Jay Ash
Exec. Office of Housing & Economic Development
1 Ashburton Place
Boston, MA 02108

RE: 2015 MASSWORKS APPLICATION
Town of Northbridge –Church Street Extension Corridor

Dear Secretary Ash:

On behalf of the Board of Selectmen, I am writing to include our support of the 2015 MassWorks Infrastructure grant application for Economic Development for a project to be known as the Church Street Extension Corridor.

The scope of work includes roadway reconstruction, sidewalk extension, drainage improvements, and intersection enhancement with the installation of a traffic signal at Church Street Extension & Quaker Street. The work will enhance safety and traffic flows, as well as, improve access to a medical/industrial commerce park located off of Church Street Extension. In addition, the project will upgrade access to the historic Blackstone River & Canal, which as you may know, was included in the National Parks recent designation of the Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park.


The infrastructure project will be done in cooperation with and in support of the Osterman Commerce Park, a private development located off Church Street Extension. V.E. Properties IX LLC, the private entity has been working with the town over the past several years in coordinating necessary construction and improvements.

The Osterman Commerce Park, approved in July 2014, is to include over 210,000 square-feet of medical/business office/industrial/warehouse space. Phase 1 includes a 24,000 square-foot medical building, home to Milford Regional Medical Center completed earlier this year. A second building (w/in Phase 1), consists of 16,000 square-feet for additional medical services is scheduled to commence construction this fall. Upon completion this new medical building will be occupied by 5 additional doctors with a staff of 10, as well as 8 dentists. This additional facility may also allow for the Milford Regional Medical Center to offer urgent care. The remaining phases of the Osterman Commerce Park are currently under construction; installation of roadway, water/sewer infrastructure and individual pad site preparation for over 150,000 square-feet of Industrial/Business/Office/Warehouse space.

The awarding of this MassWorks Infrastructure Grant will accelerate the build-out of the Osterman Commerce Park, which will both expand our tax base and provide much needed jobs and services for our residents and others residing in communities throughout Central Massachusetts and the Blackstone Valley.

For these reasons, we ask that our project "*Church Street Extension Corridor*" be approved for funding by your agency.

Very truly yours,


Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager

2015 MASSWORKS INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

"CHURCH STREET EXTENSION CORRIDOR PROJECT"

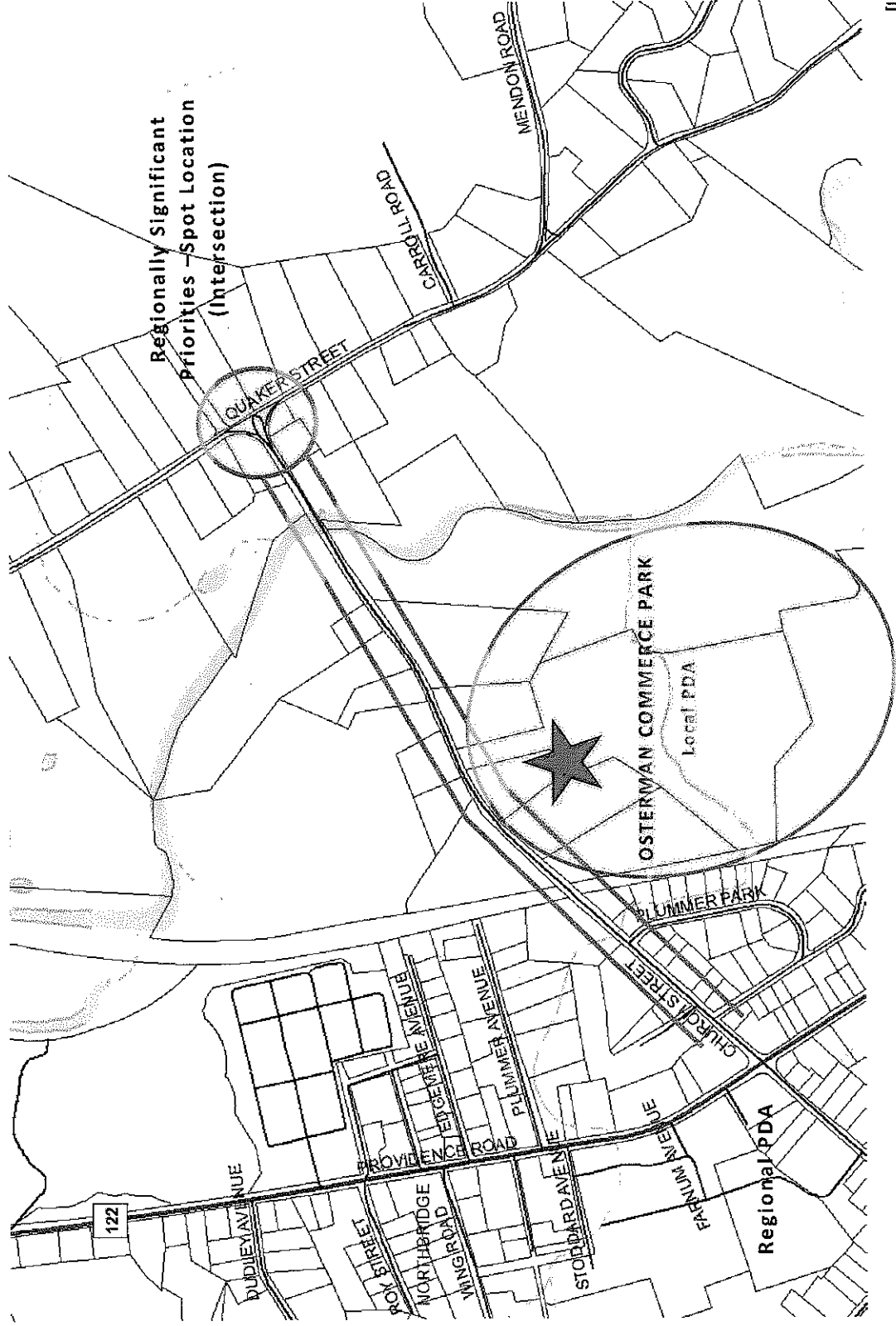
-includes pavement reconstruction, drainage improvements & associated roadway geometry enhancements to address safety and traffic impact concerns along Church Street Extension and the intersection of Quaker Street (signalization)

Completion of the project will help accelerate projected build-out of the Osterman Commerce Park (Phase 3 & Phase 4). Phase 1 & 2 consisting of a 24,000 square-foot medical office building (Milford Regional Medical Center) and another 16,000 square-foot medical facility.

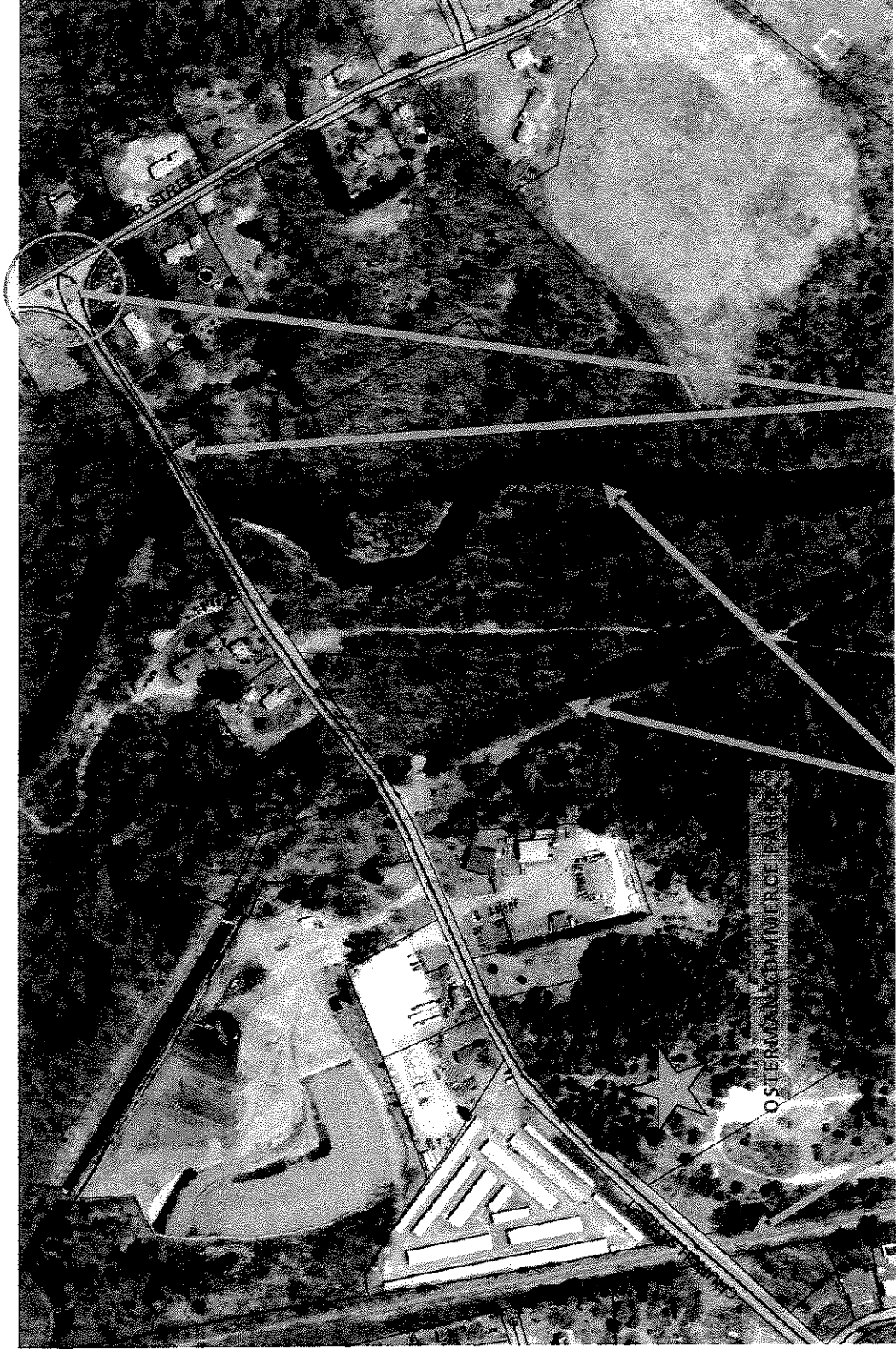
As part of the local permitting for the Osterman Commerce Park a number of off-site traffic mitigation measures were identified and required of the Developer (V.E. Properties IX LLC /Osterman Management LLC); the scope of work included in the MassWorks application will address the traffic improvements required for the build-out of the remaining 2 phases (Phases 3 & 4). The Developer is currently working on roadway construction (private drive), utility installation and site preparations for the remaining PAD sites.

The town (DPW Director, Town Manager & Town Planner) have been working with the Developer in preparation of the MassWorks grant application (submitted same in 2014) since local approval of the Commerce Park. The town has engaged the services of CHA –Clough Harboir & Associates LLP to prepare a 25% Design and Construction Estimate for the public infrastructure project (estimated at \$1,719,500.00). Final design will commence upon confirmation of award with an anticipated construction start of next spring (2016). The town has earmarked \$296,000.00 for this project; to include design, construction, and administration. The Developer has also committed an additional \$200,000.00 for roadway improvements. To date approximately \$11 million has been expended by the Developer on the development and construction of Osterman Commerce Park; it is anticipated at full build-out the cost associated will approach \$35-40 million dollars and the Park will help retain/employ approximately 300 people

Church Street Extension Corridor Project



Church Street Extension Corridor Project



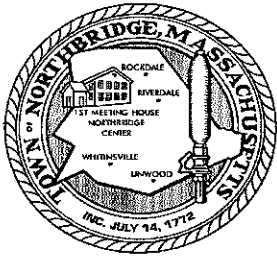
Church Street Extension Corridor Project



[Church Street Extension/Quaker Street Intersection]

9/14/15 - BOS Agenda

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TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

R. Gary Bechtholdt II, Town Planner

7 Main Street Whitinsville, MA 01588

Phone: (508) 234.2447 Fax: (508) 234.0814

gbechtholdt@northbridgema.org

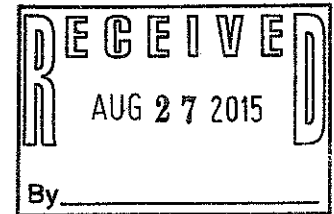
MEMORANDUM

Date: August 27, 2015

To: Mr. Theodore D. Kozak, Town Manager
NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

From: R. Gary Bechtholdt II, Town Planner

RE: DEANE WAY - LAYOUT / STREET ACCEPTANCE
2015 FATM Warrant Article



As we discussed, please include the following on the Monday, September 14, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting agenda:

[DECISION] -Vote Intent to Layout Deane Way (Hillside Garden Estates)

In taking such action the Selectmen shall refer the matter to the Planning Board for review and recommendation.

Arrangements have been made for the Planning Board to review the street acceptance consideration (Layout of Deane Way) at its meeting of Tuesday, September 22, 2015. The Planning Board shall provide the Selectmen with its recommendation on the Layout of Deane Way based upon its review and corresponded received (DPW, etc.).

As you will recall Deane Way is a single-access drive located off Thurston Avenue terminating in a cul-de-sac. The subdivision development known as "Hillside Garden Estates" was originally approved in May 2005 and modified in January 2010, providing service to nine (9) single-family house lots and one (1) proposed Retreat (includes water/sewer).

In conjunction with these proceedings please include the following on the Monday, September 28, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting agenda:

[DECISION] -Vote to Layout Deane Way (Hillside Garden Estates)

Arrangements shall be made for Planning Board members to attend the September 28th BOS meeting to present its recommendation on the layout. As the Community Planning & Development Office has done in the past, we will prepare the necessary notifications and distribute proper notice.

Reference is made to Planning Board record of vote dated August 26, 2015 to sponsor Deane Way Street Acceptance for the 2015 Fall Annual Town Meeting (copy attached). The Planning office has provided Town Counsel with the proposed conveyance documents in anticipation of Town Meeting action. Should you have any questions or require any additional information please contact the Planning office.

Cc: Planning Board
J. Shuris, DPW Director
/File



TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
PLANNING BOARD
7 MAIN STREET
WHITINSVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS 01588

PHONE: (508) 234-2447

FAX: (508) 234-0814

August 26, 2015

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

RE: 2015 FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Deane Way Hillside Garden Estates

COPY

Dear Mrs. Cedrone:

Please be advised at its meeting of Tuesday, August 25, 2015 the Planning Board upon motion duly made (Murray) and seconded (Key) voted (4-0) to SPONSOR the following warrant article for consideration at the 2015 Fall Annual Town Meeting:

Deane Way—Street Acceptance

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way, Deane Way [Hillside Garden Estates] as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen, a copy of which layout is on file with the Office of the Town Clerk, and further authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the Town, to acquire by purchase, eminent domain, gift or otherwise, easements in said way for the purpose for which public ways are used in the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Planning Board has scheduled a public meeting for Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at which time the Board shall review with the Developer any remaining outstanding issues and offer its recommendation to the Board of Selectmen concerning its vote to layout Deane Way [Hillside Garden Estates].

Arrangements have been made with the Board of Selectmen to vote their Intent to Layout Deane Way at its meeting of Monday, September 14, 2015 and vote to Layout Deane Way at its meeting scheduled for Monday, September 28, 2015.

Please find attached for your records copy of the Layout (Acceptance plan) & As-Built plan prepared by Guerriere & Halnon Inc. and related legal descriptions. Should you have any questions at this time please contact the Planning office.

Sincerely,

R. Gary Bechthold II
Northbridge Town Planner

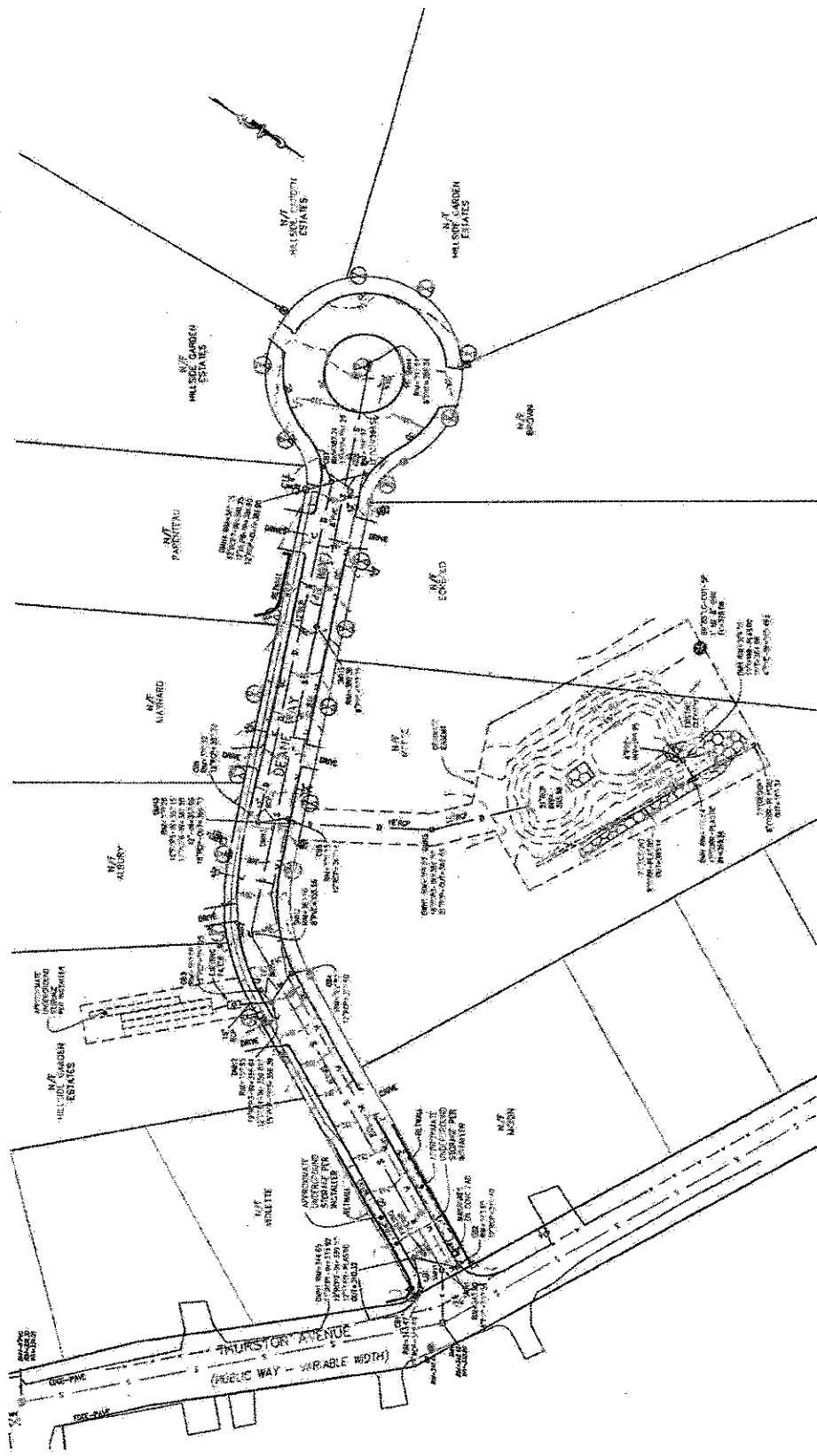
Cc: Town Manager/BOS
FinCom

Town Moderator
Fire Dept.

DPW
Applicant/Engineer

WWC
/File

-W/Enclosure(s)



AS-BUILT PLAN OF
DEANE WAY
 IN
NORTHBRIDGE, MASS.
 BY: BOARD OF SELECTMEN
 DATE: JANUARY 21, 2015
 SCALE: 30 FEET TO AN INCH

Guerriere & Halnon, Inc.
 1000 Providence Road, Northbridge, MA 01532
 (508) 238-6834 FAX: (508) 234-1223

ELEVATIONS REFER TO THE NATIONAL DATUM
 THIS PLAN IS BASED ON AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE EXISTING
 VERTICAL CURVE OF 100'

NOTE: UNLESS SHOWN OTHERWISE, SEWER MAIN IS 8"
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**DESCRIPTION OF
DEANE WAY**

A certain parcel of land located on the westerly sideline of Thurston Avenue, a public way, in the Town of Northbridge, County of Worcester, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and is more particularly shown and described as "Lincoln Circle" on a plan entitled: "Layout Plan of Deane Way in Northbridge, MA", Date: February 2, 2015, Scale 1"= 30', Prepared by: Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., said "Deane Way" being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a drill hole in a concrete bound, at the northeasterly corner of the land herein described, said point also being at the northwesterly corner of land now or formerly of Hurley.

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| Thence | S 28°04'58" W 205.25 feet by land now or formerly of said Hurley and land now or formerly of Hillside Garden Estates to a drill hole at a point of curvature; |
| Thence | Southwesterly along an arc of a curve to the right having a radius of 140.00 feet, a length of 98.50 feet and a delta of 40°18'46" by land N/F of said Hillside Garden Estates and land N/F of Albury to a drill hole in a concrete bound at a point of tangency; |
| Thence | S 68°23'44" W 229.98 feet by land N/F of said Albury, N/F of Maynard and N/F of Parenteau to a point of curvature; |
| Thence | Southwesterly along an arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 35.00 feet, a length of 33.37 feet and a delta of 54°37'42" by land N/F of said Parenteau and N/F of Hillside Garden Estates to a drill hole in a concrete bound at a point of reverse curvature; |
| Thence | Westerly, Northerly and Northeasterly an arc of a curve to the right having a radius of 60.00 feet, a length of 302.90 feet and a delta of 289°14'49" by land N/F of said Hillside Garden Estates and land N/F of Brown to a drill hole in a concrete bound at a point of reverse; |
| Thence | Easterly along an arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 35.00 feet, a length of 33.37 feet and a delta of 54°37'42" by land N/F of said Brown to a drill hole in a concrete bound at a point of tangency at land N/F of Eckbold; |
| Thence | N 68°23'44" E 229.98 feet by land N/F of said Eckbold and land N/F of Morse to a drill hole in a concrete bound at a point of curvature; |
| Thence | Northeasterly along an arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 100.00 feet, a length of 70.36 feet and a delta of 40°18'46" by land N/F of said Morse to a drill hole in a concrete bound at a point of tangency; |
| Thence | N 28°04'58" E a distance of 205.33 feet by land N/F of said Morse and land N/F of Morin to a drill hole in a concrete bound on the Westerly sideline of Thurston Avenue; |

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**DESCRIPTION OF
LOTS 1 DRAINAGE EASEMENT**

A certain parcel of land located on the southerly sideline of Deane Way in the Town of Northbridge, County of Worcester, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and is more particularly shown and described as "Drainage Easement" on a plan entitled: "Layout Plan of Deane Way in Northbridge, MA", Date: February 2, 2015, Scale 1"= 30', Prepared by: Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., said "Drainage Easement" being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly sideline of said Deane Way, at the southeasterly corner of the land herein described. Said point being S 68°23'44" W a distance of 15.90 feet from a drill hole in a concrete bound.

Thence N 30°14'34" W 81.64 feet to a point;

Thence N 46°38'01" W 39.45 feet to a point;

Thence N 27°50'14" E 42.81 feet to a point;

Thence N 06°45'54" W 166.64 feet to a point;

The last 4 courses all being within the boundaries of land N/F of Morse.

Thence S 27°50'14" W 45.65 feet through land N/F of Morse to a point at land N/F of Eckbold;

Thence S 26°49'24" E 103.62 feet by land N/F of said Eckbold to a point;

Thence S 60°45'54" E 53.84 feet to a point;

Thence N 68°23'44" E 50.10 feet to a point;

Thence S 26°38'01" E 26.51 feet to a point;

Thence S 30°14'34" E 75.72 feet to a point on the northerly sideline of Deane Way;

Thence N 68°23'44" E 20.23 feet by said Deane Way to the point of beginning.

The above described Easement contains an area of 16,617± S.F.

Subject to and benefit of any easements, rights-of-way, restrictions, reservations, or other limitations of record.

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**DESCRIPTION OF
LOT 10 DRAINAGE EASEMENT**

A certain parcel of land located on the southerly sideline of Deane Way in the Town of Northbridge, County of Worcester, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and is more particularly shown and described as "Drainage Easement" on a plan entitled: "Layout Plan of Deane Way in Northbridge, MA", Date: February 2, 2015, Scale 1"= 30', Prepared by: Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., said "Deane Way" being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly sideline of said Deane Way, at the northeasterly corner of the land herein described. Said point being N 28°04'58" E a distance of 5.46 feet from a drill hole in a concrete bound.

Thence S 43°01'23" E 105.78 feet to a point;

Thence S 46°58'37" E 24.00 feet to a point;

Thence N 43°01'23" E 99.00 feet to a point on the southerly sideline of Deane Way;

Thence Northeasterly by the southerly sideline of said Deane Way along an arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 140.00 feet, a length of 19.51 feet to a drill hole in a concrete bound at a point of tangency;

Thence N 28°04'58" E 5.46 feet to the point of beginning.

The above described Easement contains an area of 2,449± S.F.

Subject to and benefit of any easements, rights-of-way, restrictions, reservations, or other limitations of record.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WARRANT FOR FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
TRANSACTION OF TOWN BUSINESS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.**

DRAFT #4 – SEPTEMBER 9, 2015

WORCESTER, ss:

To any Constable of the Town of Northbridge in said County,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Northbridge, qualified to vote in Town elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Northbridge Middle School Auditorium on Linwood Avenue, in Whitinsville, in said Northbridge, Massachusetts, on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 7:00 o'clock P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: (Board of Selectmen)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury and/or transfer from the unexpended appropriated funds of one or more of the departments of the Town the following sums of money and authorize the payment of prior year bills; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2: (Board of Selectmen)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the votes taken under Article 3 of the 2015 Spring Session of the Annual Town Meeting (May 5, 2015), appropriations and transfers under the Omnibus Budget Article, to raise and appropriate, and/or to transfer a sum or sums of money from the undesignated fund balance (free cash) and/or the Health Insurance Stabilization Fund to supplement appropriations under the Omnibus Budget Article; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3: (Board of Selectmen)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury and/or transfer from the unexpended appropriated funds of one or more of the departments of the Town, a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4: (Board of Selectmen)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer a sum of money from the Town Building Maintenance Fund, established pursuant to Chapter 438 of the Acts of 2012, for maintenance of Town-owned buildings and facilities in Fiscal Year 2016; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5: (Board of Selectmen)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Fund 8210, Health Insurance Trust Fund, to the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund, for the purpose of initial funding of such benefits as they become due in the future; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6: (Board of Assessors)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury a sum of money for the Triennial Revaluation analysis of properties of the Town of Northbridge in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40 section 56 and Chapter 58 sections 1, 1A, and 3; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7: (Council on Aging)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a 2015 14-passenger Minibus for use by the Northbridge Senior Center of the Council on Aging; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8: (Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to accept, as a donation, parcel(s) of land located off Highland Street, containing approximately 50.0 acres, being Assessors' Map parcels 15-86, 15-634, 15-635 and 15-636, said parcels also being shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Lots Highland Street Northbridge, Massachusetts" prepared by Heritage Design Group dated July 14, 2015, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, and Assessors' Map parcel 15-83; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all actions and execute all documents necessary and appropriate for such acceptance and acquisition; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9: (Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way, Deane Way [Hillside Garden Estates] as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen, a copy of which layout is on file with the Office of the Town Clerk, and further authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the Town, to acquire by purchase, eminent domain, gift or otherwise, easements in said way for the purpose for which public ways are used in the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10: (Building, Planning and Construction Committee)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury and/or transfer from the unexpended appropriated funds of one or more of the departments of the Town a sum of money for the purpose of financing the design and construction of a DPW Building at 11 Fletcher Street, including renovation of the current administration building and garage, permitting, site improvements and soil remediation, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Building, Planning and Construction Committee, and that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer/Collector, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 7(3) and 3(A), as amended, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; and to authorize the Building, Planning and Construction Committee to take any action necessary to carry out this construction and renovation project provided, however, that no debt shall be incurred hereunder unless and until the Town first votes to exempt from the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2½, so-called), the amounts required to pay the principal and interest of said debt; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11: (Petition Article)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its general bylaws by addition of the following: **6-119. Whitinsville Social Library.** The building located at 17 Church Street in the village of Whitinsville shown on Assessor's map 15A parcel 135 shall be known only as the "Whitinsville Social Library"; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12: (Petition Article)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its general bylaws by addition of the following:

9-901. Sex Offender Residency

FINDINGS AND INTENT

A. It is the intent of this by-law to serve and to protect the Town's compelling interest to promote, protect and improve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town by creating areas around locations where children, or the elderly regularly congregate in concentrated numbers wherein certain registered sex offenders are prohibited from loitering and establishing temporary or permanent residence.

B. After careful consideration, the Town finds that this by-law is the most narrowly tailored means of limiting, to the fullest extent possible, the opportunity for registered sex offenders to approach or otherwise come in contact with children, or the elderly in places where children, or the elderly would naturally congregate, and that the protection of the health and safety of our children, and elderly is a compelling governmental interest.

C. By the enactment of this or any other by-law, the Town understands that it cannot remove the threat posed to or guarantee the safety of children, or the elderly, or assure the public that registered sex offenders will comply with the mandates of this statute. This by-law is intended to create a civil, non-punitive regulatory scheme in order to protect children, and the elderly to the extent possible under the circumstances and not as a punitive measure of any kind.

D. Registered sex offenders pose a clear threat to the children, and the elderly residing or visiting in the community. Because registered sex offenders are more likely than any other type of offender to reoffend for another sexual offense, the Town desires to impose safety precautions in furtherance of the goal of protecting the children and elderly. The purpose of this by-law is to reduce the potential risk of harm to children and the elderly the community by impacting the ability for registered sex offenders to be in contact with unsuspecting children and the elderly in locations that are primarily designed for use by or are primarily used by children and the elderly, the grounds of a public or private school for children, a center or facility that provides day care or children's services, a park, other public recreational facility, elderly housing facilities or the Senior Citizens Center. The Town desires to add location restrictions to such offenders to the extent state law is silent.

DEFINITIONS

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this by-law, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this by-law, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

CHILD or CHILDREN: Person or persons under 18 years of age.

DAY-CARE CENTER: Any establishment, whether public, private or parochial, which provides care for children and is registered with and licensed pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the Department of Early Education and Care.

ELDER or ELDERLY: Person or persons over 60 years of age.

ELDERLY HOUSING FACILITY/SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER/OVER 55 COMMUNITY: Includes any building or buildings which provides a group residence for the elderly or a location where the elderly gather and/or reside and is located within the Town of Northbridge.

ESTABLISHING A RESIDENCE: To set up or bring into being a dwelling place or an abode where a person sleeps, which may include more than one location, and may be mobile or transitory, by means of purchasing real property or entering into a lease or rental agreement for real property (including a renewal or extension of a prior agreement whether through written execution or automatic renewal).

LOITERING: To remain for more than fifteen (15) minutes within a five hundred (500) foot distance of the location in question.

PARK: Includes active and passive public land designated for recreational or athletic use by the Town of Northbridge and located within the Town of Northbridge.

PERMANENT RESIDENCE: A place where a person lives, abides, lodges or resides for 14 or more consecutive days.

RECREATIONAL FACILITY: Includes, but is not limited to, a playground, a forest preserve, conservation area, jogging trail or running track, hiking trail, beach, wading pool, soccer field, baseball field, football field, or basketball court, whether publicly or privately owned, to which the public has a right of access as an invitee and which is located within the Town of Northbridge.

REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER: For the purposes of this by-law shall mean: a) any person who is designated as a sexually violent predator pursuant to Chapter 6, § 178K(2)(c), of the Massachusetts General Laws and who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board; b) any person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Chapter 6, § 178C of the Massachusetts General Laws and for so long as such person is finally classified as a Level 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board; and c) any person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Chapter 6, § 178C of the Massachusetts General Laws, for so long as such person is finally classified as a Level 2 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board, and who has committed a sex offense against a child, an elder and/or a mentally retarded person.

Level 1 Sex Offenders: Where the Sex Offender Registry Board determines that the risk of re-offense by an offender is low and the degree of dangerousness posed to the public by that offender is not such that a public safety interest is served by public availability, the Sex Offender Registry Board shall give that offender a Level 1 designation. Information on Level 1 offenders will not be available to the public. Neither the police nor the Sex Offender Registry Board has authority to disseminate information to the general public identifying a Level 1 offender. Information identifying Level 1 offenders may only be given to the Department of Correction, any county correctional facility, the Department of Youth Services, the Department of Social Services, the Parole Board, the Department of Probation and the Department of Mental Health, all city and town police departments and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for law enforcement purposes.

Level 2 Sex Offenders: Where the Sex Offender Registry Board determines that the risk of re-offense is moderate and the degree of dangerousness posed to the public is such that a public safety interest is served by public availability of registration information, it shall give a Level 2 designation to the sex offender. The public shall have access to the information regarding a Level 2 offender through the Local Police Department and through the Sex Offender Registry Board.

Level 3 Sex Offenders: Where the Sex Offender Registry Board determines that the risk of re-offense is high and the degree of dangerousness posed to the public is such that a substantial public safety interest is served by active dissemination, it shall give a level 3 designation to the sex offender. The public shall have access to the information regarding a Level 3 offender through the Local Police Departments and through the Sex Offender Registry Board.

SCHOOL: Any public or private educational facility that provides educational instruction to children in grades pre-K through 12.

SCHOOL BUS STOP: Any area designated by the public school district or by a private or parochial school within the Town of Northbridge as a school bus stop.

SEX OFFENDER and SEX OFFENSE: The same meanings as provided for in MGL c. 6, § 178C.

TEMPORARY RESIDENCE: A place where a person lives, abides, lodges or resides for a period of less than 14 consecutive days or 14 days in the aggregate during any calendar year, which is not the person's permanent address or place where the person routinely lives, abides, lodges or resides and which is not the person's permanent residence; but "temporary residence," shall not include residence at a hospital or other health care or medical facility for less than 14 consecutive days or 14 days in the aggregate during any calendar year.

RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS

A. Prohibition. A registered sex offender is prohibited from establishing a permanent residence or temporary residence within 1,000 feet of any school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center; provided, however, that the prohibition contained in this by-law shall not apply to any level 3 offender, to the extent and in the manner such Level 3 offender is already governed by MGL c. 6, § 178K(2)(e).

B. Evidentiary matters; measurements. For purposes of determining the minimum distance separation under this section, the distance shall be measured by following a straight line from the outer property line of the permanent or temporary residence to the nearest outer property line of any school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center.

C. Exceptions. A registered sex offender residing within 1,000 feet of any school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center does not commit a violation of this by-law if any of the following apply:

(1) The registered sex offender established the permanent residence prior to the effective date of this by-law, and:

(a) Permanent residence was established by purchasing the real property where the residence is established, as long as the registered sex offender continues to reside in and does not move to another restricted location in Northbridge different from the permanent residence established prior to the effective date of this bylaw;

(b) Permanent residence was established through a valid, fixed-term, written lease or rental agreement, executed prior to the effective date of this by-law, as long as the registered sex offender continues to reside within and does not move to another restricted

location in Northbridge different from the permanent residence established prior to the effective date of this by-law; or

(c) Permanent residence was established through a verbal lease or rental agreement at the will of the landlord, as long as the registered sex offender continues to reside within and does not move to another restricted location in Northbridge different from the permanent residence established prior to the effective date of this by-law.

(2) The registered sex offender is a minor living with his or her parent(s) or legal guardian(s), which parent(s) or legal guardian(s) has (have) established a permanent residence.

(3) The school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center within 1,000 feet of the registered sex offender's permanent residence was opened after the registered sex offender established the permanent residence.

D. Forfeiture of exception. If, either after the effective date of this by-law or after a new school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center opens, a complaint or an indictment is issued by a court against a registered sex offender otherwise enjoying an exception under Subsection C that such sex offender has committed another sex offense, he/she will immediately forfeit that exception and be required to comply with this by-law.

E. Notice to move. A registered sex offender who resides on a permanent or temporary basis within 1,000 feet of any new school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center shall be in violation of this by-law and shall, within 30 days of receipt of written notice of the registered sex offender's noncompliance with this by-law, move from said location to a new location, but said location may not be within 1,000 feet of any new school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center. It shall constitute a separate violation for each day beyond the 30 days the registered sex offender continues to reside within 1,000 feet of any new school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center. Furthermore, it shall be a separate violation each day that a registered sex offender shall move from one location in the Town to another that is within 1,000 feet of any new school, day-care center, park, recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center.

F. Penalties. Any violation of this section shall be enforced by noncriminal disposition pursuant to MGL c. 40, § 21D, as follows:

(1) First offense by registered sex offender: noncriminal fine of \$150 and notification to offender that he/she has 30 days to move.

(2) Subsequent offense by registered sex offender: noncriminal fine of \$300 and notification to offender's parole officer and/or probation officer, and the commonwealth's Sex Offender Registry Board, that the sex offender has violated a municipal by-law.

SAFETY ZONES

A. Prohibitions.

(1) A registered sex offender is prohibited from entering upon the premises of a school or day-care center unless previously authorized specifically in writing by the school administration or day-care center owner.

(2) A registered sex offender is prohibited from entering upon the premises of an elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center, unless previously authorized in writing by the on-site manager of the elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center.

(3) A registered sex offender is prohibited from entering upon the premises of a park or any recreational facility.

(4) A registered sex offender, after having received notice from the Northbridge Police Department that he/she is loitering by having remained for more than fifteen (15) minutes within five hundred (500) feet of a school, a day care center, a park, any recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizen Center, is prohibited from continuing to so loiter. For purposes of determining the minimum distance separation under this section, the distance shall be measured by following a straight line from the registered sex offender to the outer property line of the school, a day-care center, a park, any recreational facility, elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center.

(5) A registered sex offender, after having received notice from the Northbridge Police Department that he/she is loitering by having remained for more than fifteen (15) minutes within five hundred (500) feet of a school bus stop, is prohibited from continuing to so loiter; provided, however, that this prohibition shall not apply on days when the schools within the Town of Northbridge are not in session.

B. Exceptions.

(1) The prohibitions defined in this by-law shall not be construed or enforced so as to prohibit a registered sex offender from exercising his or her right to vote in any federal, state or municipal election, conducting town and/or police business or from attending any religious service.

(2) The prohibitions defined in this by-law do not apply to a registered sex offender's place of residence when such residence is accepted under this by-law.

C. Penalties.

(1) Any violation of this section may be enforced by noncriminal disposition pursuant to MGL c. 40, § 21D, resulting in a noncriminal fine of \$150 for a first violation and a noncriminal fine of \$300 for each additional violation of this section. A registered sex offender commits a separate offense for each and every violation of this section.

EXEMPTIONS

The provisions of this by-law shall not be applicable to registered sex offenders incarcerated in any facilities owned, maintained and/or operated by the Town Of Northbridge and/or the State of Massachusetts.

ENFORCEMENT

A. The Northbridge Police Department shall be charged with the enforcement of this by-law.

B. A written list describing the prohibited areas defined in this by-law inclusive of school bus stops, as well as a map depicting the residency restriction areas and a map depicting the safety zones exclusive of school bus stops, shall be created by the Town Planner and maintained by the Northbridge Police Department. As to school bus stops, the list and not the map depicting the safety zones shall govern. The Board of Selectmen shall review both the list and the maps no less than every October for changes, and upon said review shall vote to accept the list and the maps, including changes if any. The list, the maps and a copy of this by-law will be available to the public at the Northbridge Police Department and Northbridge Town Clerk's office, and on the Town of Northbridge's website;

Or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Whitinsville Post Office and the Salvation Army, in Whitinsville, all in Precinct 1; Gary's Variety and the Northbridge Post Office in Northbridge, all in Precinct 2; Town Clerk's Office and 1Quickstop in Whitinsville, all in Precinct 3; and the VFW Hall [875 Hill Street] and Town Hall Annex in Whitinsville, all in Precinct 4; twenty-eight (28) days at least before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

WHEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of the warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting. GIVEN under our hand this 14th day of September in the year Two Thousand Fifteen.

SELECTMEN OF NORTHBRIDGE

Thomas J. Melia, Chairman

James R. Marzec

Daniel J. Nolan

Charles Ampagoomian, Jr.

James J. Athanas

WORCESTER, SS Northbridge

Date:

By virtue of this warrant I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Northbridge qualified to vote in town elections and town affairs to meet at the time and place and for the purpose stated in said warrant by posting attested copies thereof as within directed.

Constable, Town of Northbridge

Sharon Susienka

F.

From: Peter Bedigian <pbedigian@omnicontroltech.com>
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2015 8:36 AM
To: ssusienka@northbridgemass.org
Cc: der.mikaeldk@gmail.com; jkhoury
Subject: 2016 Banner Request

BOA Agenda 9/14/15

Good morning Sharon,

From what I am hearing, it is not too early to put in a request for 2016 banners.

In looking at the 2016 Armenian Church calendar, I see we will be requesting 2 banners and 1 community bulletin board postings this year as follows:

- ① Martyr's Day Banner {event commemorated on April 24th} so a week or two before would be great.
- ② Annual Picnic Banner 2nd 2 weeks in August with event being held on August 21st
3. Church Christmas Bazaar Christmas Reformed Church on December 3rd – would like bulletin Board posting after Thanksgiving up until event if possible. **-ALL SET.**

Let me know.

Thanks.

Hope all is well - enjoy the rest of the summer!!

Pete Bedigian, CEO
OMNI Control Technology, Inc
1 Main St – PO BOX 444
Whitinsville, MA 01588

Ofc: 508.234.9121 ext. 102

#1) 4/10/16 - 4/24/16
#2) 8/7/16 - 8/21/16

No conflict
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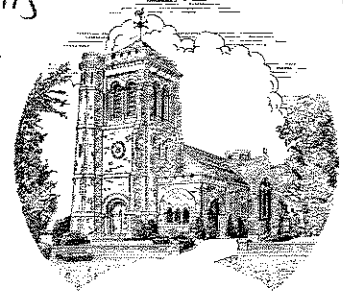
Sharon



THE VILLAGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
5 CHURCH STREET, P.O. BOX 217
WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588
508.234.7901
REV. ROBERT G. SHERWOOD, PASTOR

Bos Agenda
9/14/15

No conflict



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September 1, 2015

Town of Northbridge
7 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588

Dear Town Manager,

The Village Congregational Church would like to request your approval to hold a worship service on the town common in Whitinsville on Sunday, October 11, 2015. The hours would be from approximately 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Robert G. Sherwood
Pastor

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Know all Men by These Presents,

That the Town of Northbridge, in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in consideration of Three Thousand Two Hundred Dollars, paid by **Peter A. Hogan**, of **36 Bishop Road, Fitchburg, MA 01420**, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does sell and convey to said Peter A. Hogan, that certain cemetery Lot No. **85 and 87**, 2 graves, situated on the way called **Fir Ave South**, in the Pine Grove Cemetery, and the sole and exclusive right of burial of the dead therein, subject to the following rules and restrictions for the regulation and government of said Cemetery; viz:

1st. That the said Lot shall not be used for any other purpose than as a place of burial for the dead, and proper Cemetery uses, such as the Town may approve; and no trees within the Lot or the Cemetery shall be cut down or destroyed without consent of the Town.

2nd. That if any trees or shrubs in said Lot shall become in any way detrimental to the adjacent lots or avenues, or dangerous or inconvenient, the Town shall have the right to enter into said Lot and remove said trees or shrubs, or such parts thereof as are dangerous, detrimental or inconvenient.

3rd. That if any monument or other structure whatever, or any inscription, be placed in the said Lot which shall be determined by the Town to be offensive, the Town shall have the right to enter upon said Lot and remove said offensive or improper object or objects.

4th. If a fence shall at any time be erected or placed in or around said Lot, the materials or design of which shall not be approved by the Town, it must be forthwith removed upon direction of the Town, and if not so removed the Town shall have the right to enter upon said Lot and remove said fence.

5th. The said lot shall be holden subject to all by-laws, rules and regulations made and to be made by the Town.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Town of Northbridge has caused these presents to be signed and sealed by its Board of Selectmen, this 14th day of September in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen.

9/4/15 { C: Chief Warchol
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Sharon Susienka

To: Alex Rogozenski
Subject: RE: MRA Multisport races in 2015

From: Alex Rogozenski [mailto:arogozenski@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 3:43 PM
To: ssusienka@northbridgemass.org; dgosselin@northbridgemass.org
Subject: Re: MRA Multisport races in 2015

hi! I'd like to get in front of the Selectmen soon to seek approval for our 4th annual 1st Day 5k road race, to benefit the Northbridge Middle School Boosters (on 1/1/2016, 11am, with Linwood Ave closed as in prior years). when is the next available one?

Thanks,
Alex Rogo
MRA Multisport
www.MRAMultisport.com
(c) 774-272-1767

Sharon Susienka

From: Timothy Labrie <tlabrie@northbridgemass.org>
Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 1:29 PM
To: ssusienka@northbridgemass.org; wwarchol@northbridgemass.org; 'Alex Rogozenski'
Cc: Melissa Wetherbee
Subject: RE: MRA Multisport races in 2015

I believe he has done this race for the last few years, so no issues. I will check the schedule from last year and set up his traffic needs.

Tim

From: Sharon Susienka [mailto:ssusienka@northbridgemass.org]
Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 9:55 AM
To: wwarchol@northbridgemass.org; tlabrie@northbridgemass.org
Cc: Melissa Wetherbee <mwetherbee@northbridgemass.org>
Subject: FW: MRA Multisport races in 2015

Chief/Tim:

I know you were cc'd on the email from Alex Rogozenski but the Lt. wasn't. Will one of you let me know if you have any issues with Alex's request because we have to finalize the agenda today. Thank you!

*Sharon L. Susienka
Exec. Asst. to the Town Manager
Town of Northbridge
Phone: 508-234-2095
Fax: 508-234-7640*

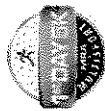
From: Alex Rogozenski [mailto:arogozenski@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2015 4:28 PM
To: ssusienka@northbridgemass.org
Cc: wwarchol@northbridgemass.org
Subject: Re: MRA Multisport races in 2015

i can make that time, great. here is the map. I haven't reached out to Chief Warchol yet, but I expect to work with Lt. Labrie for all the necessary detail assignments.

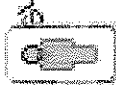
we start up the hill from the WCC, go through Memorial Square out Linwood, head around the HS parking circle, turn around at the Mills, and then head back to Memorial Square on Linwood. We'd shut down Memorial Square for 5-10 minutes at the start of the race to get everyone through it, then shut down all of Linwood until about 11:45.

On Wed, Sep 9, 2015 at 4:19 PM, Sharon Susienka <ssusienka@northbridgemass.org> wrote:

Hi Alex:



1st Day 5k Run Route



Map Options



Church St

Pine Grove Cemetery

Lasell Field

Whitinsville Christian School

Riley Pond

Clover Hill Rd

Sutton St

500 m
2000 ft
Usbridge Youth

Sunset St

Usbridge High School

Linwood Pond

Keeler Rd

Linwood

Providence Rd

122

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ELEVATION (ft)

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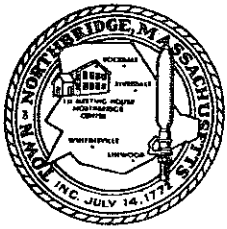
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Gary A. Nestor
Fire Chief

Town of Northbridge

Safety Committee Meeting May 20, 2015

Fire Department

193 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588
(508) 234-8448

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August 17, 2015

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

Rumonoski Drive-pole #22 lights

Site Line-Douglas Rd @ Hastings Drive

SPEED LIMIT-LINWOOD AVENUE

School Transportation changes

Sign request Main @ Prescott

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

School Street/Upton Street-improvement

Goldthwaite Rd speed

Douglas Rd Bridge Safety

Shining Rock Sidewalks/driveways

Dear Board Members:

The Northbridge Safety Committee met on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 2015** in the Police Station Conference Room. The following members were present: Chairman Gary Nestor, James Shuris, Jamie Luchini, Chief Walter Warchol, Peter Bedigian, George Murray, Gary Bechtholdt, Randi Zanca, Officer Thomas Dejordy, NPS represented by: Patty Paine, Melissa Walker, Catherine Stickney, and Paul Halacy; Stacy Wilkes (3 Cliffe Rd), Paul Hutnak (378 Douglas Rd), Diane Covino (Hastings Drive), Peter Bernard (Rockdale Commons), Tammi Yiakowmatos (Shining Rock Drive) and Michael Zayman (197 Goldthwaite RD).

Chairman Chief Gary Nestor called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Upon motion duly made () and seconded () the Safety Committee voted to ACCEPT the meeting minutes of the October 15, 2014.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chief Nestor noted receipt of memorandum dated November 24, 2014 from Sharon L. Susienka, Exec. Asst. to the Town Manager regarding the Board of Selectmen vote to accept recommendations of the Safety Committee as outlined in meeting minutes of October 15, 2014.

The following items were discussed on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 and are being forwarded to the Board of Selectmen as recommendations of the Northbridge Safety Committee:

Street Light Request, Pole #22,
(John Mandrachia, 386 Rumonoski Drive)

Mr. Mandrachia stated the street light on Pole #22 has been turned off and he is requesting it be turned back on. The board determined that it does not meet safety concerns for this area as it is located on a straightaway and it is not at an intersection. A motion was made by Chief Warchol and seconded by George Murray **not to approve** this request. A letter will be send to Mr. Mandrachia with the findings.

Site Line-Douglas Road & Hastings Drive:
(Paul Hutnak-Andrews Surveying)

Paul Hutank spoke about the short sight distance coming out of Hastings Drive onto Douglas Road due to overgrowth of vegetation and an incline slope in the roadway. The DPW has cleared the 40 ft. right of way in this area already. Mr. Hutnak is requesting a mirror be placed across the street from Hastings Drive on Douglas Road to assist motorists coming out of this street. Other options were discussed such as contacting the homeowner regarding further clearing and earth work to adjust the slope but would require a retaining wall and may cause drainage issues. Chief Warchol made a motion to install a large mirror placed on an independent pole (not a tree) and see if it helps to resolve the site problem. It will be reevaluated in the future. Jim Shuris seconded the motion. **All in favor.**

Safety Concerns-Douglas Road:
(Michael Wilkes-3 Cliffe Road)

Mr. Michael Wilkes inquired about the possibility of sidewalks and lights being installed on Douglas Rd. mainly due to the school transportation changes. There are concerns about the safety of kids walking to school on Douglas Road. This development will no longer qualify for busing. Paul Hutnak also expressed concern on this issue and requests busing to this area continue for safety reasons, even if a fee were involved.

Melissa Walker advised that open seating registration is currently taking place. This will assist the school department to find out how many people are interested in busing and how they can be accommodated. This does not guarantee a seat which is of concern to Mr. Wilkes. Peter Bedigian advises the safety committee is not in charge of busing or bus routes and that it is the responsibility of the school department. Gary Bechtholdt supports this decision however, all are in agreement that safety is a big concern and that the school needs to make it a priority. **All in favor** to make safety a priority.

Speed Limit along Linwood Ave:
(Chief Warchol)

Traffic studies have been done:

East bound-3000 cars per day, avg speed 34 mph, 85th%-39

Westbound-2700 cars per day, ave speed 32 mpg, 85th %-36

MA sets speed based on 85th % speed. In order for a change in speed to be made it must be approved by MA DOT and RMV.

Chief Warchol requests reduction of speed from 40mph to 35mph. The Board of Selectman will need to write a letter to Jonathan Guliver, District Highway Director, MASS DOT, 403 Belmont Street, Worcester, MA 01604 requesting that the speed limit be changed from 40 to 35 MPH from 315 Linwood Ave to Court Street (Depot Car Wash). Peter Bedigian seconded.

Chief Warchol advises he will check with MA DOT to see if in school zone we keep lights on during the day to stay at 20mph. **All in favor.**

Safety Concerns Due to Transportation Changes:

(Supt Catherine Stickney, Paul Halacy, and Melissa Walker)

The School Department is in the process of rewriting the policy, public hearings are being held and they are looking into MGL requirements for transportation as well as the best ways to serve the public. Safety is the number one priority and they are trying to find a happy medium for all. The school administration is currently working with Officer Dejordy, Paul Halacy, Melissa Walker and Patty Paine to develop plans and deal with concerns. Specific school concerns are as follows:

NHS- Reinforcement of student safety, speed limit on Linwood Ave.

Whitinsville Christian- Should they be using parent volunteers at the entrance to the school? Is that legal?

NMS- Pilot of different traffic patterns, (drop off at far driveway not stopping at front). Traffic back up is an issue during the start and end of each day due to parent pick up/drop off. Suggestions of repainting the traffic line in parking lot to allow for better flow and to take some traffic off Linwood Ave. Upgrade lighting in the area.

Balmer- Biggest concern with bus safety is Balmer. Crosswalks are misplaced. There should only be one. Currently there are two, one crossing in front of the school and another crossing the school driveway. Traffic is backing up onto Crescent St. by 8:15 a.m. (approx 7-10 min delay). Busses are unable to pull in and out at the same time, causing further delays. Parent drop off back-ups and early drop offs need to be addressed. Teachers are not required to be there early and the expense would cut into the savings of the transportation changes if additional revenue is needed to compensate teachers. The school administration is looking into the possibility of a path between the fields.

With the transportation changes, more parents will be driving the students to school compounding the problems further for all schools.

Motion made by Chief Warchol for the safety committee to have site visits, Seconded by Peter Bedigian. **All in favor.** Site visits are planned for May 28 @ 7:40am for Balmer School and June 9th @ 7:15am for NMS.

Safety Concerns- Linwood Ave near NMS:

(Lisa Gomez)

Ms. Gomez presents concerns with the traffic/speed and crosswalks at the Middle School on Linwood Ave. Raised questions as to whether the crosswalks are properly marked and if more signage is required for safety. Better visibility is needed near the football gate and main entrance. Concerns over speed have already been addressed at this meeting. Jamie Luchini gave an option of solar lighted "Crosswalk Ahead" sign. There is no law indicating how many signs need to be in place but recommends one before and at the end of the crosswalks. Crosswalks are painted once per year. In addition, parking close to the crosswalks reduces visibility for drivers who may be unable to see if someone is in the crosswalk. Chief Warchol recommends a site visit by the safety committee. George Murray seconded. Time TBD.

Request for sign(s) on Main Street near Prescott Road:

(Janice Bardon)

Request of a sign; "School Bus Stop Ahead" to be placed on Main Street near Prescott Road. Concerns with speed on this road especially near a bus stop. Chief Warchol made a motion to monitor the speed in this area. Seconded by George Murray. **All in favor.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on Rt. 122/ School Street Intersection:

Jim Shuris met with MASS DOT and had new layout drafted by them. The drawing did not include moving the stop sign further down so that visibility for the vehicles coming onto 122 can be better. Also, concerns were raised about vehicles parked on 122 adding to the visibility problem. Possible for "No Parking Signs" in the area. Gary Bechtholdt requested Jim Shuris reconfigure the plan for the next meeting.

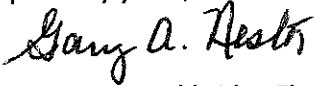
NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Michael Zayman, 197 Goldthwaite Rd. requests radar enforcement on Goldthwaite Rd. and N. Main Street. Would like signs that say radar enforced. Chief Warchol advised Mr. Zayman that signs do not deter speeding. Chief Warchol made a motion that the police department monitor this area and put up the speed indicator sign more often on this street. Seconded by George Murray. **All in favor.** Mr. Zayman advised if these measures do not help, he should return to the safety committee.
- 2) George Warren, 9 Cottage St. Party spoke with George Murray over concerns he had while witnessing a family on bikes on the Douglas Rd. Bridge. He stated kids were up on the Granite steps and climbing up on the railings. Parents were present. There was no conclusion to this concern as the bridge is up to all safety standards. No vote taken.
- 3) Barry Gallant, 38 Kingsnorth Street. The Safety committee is in receipt of correspondence from Mr. Gallant outlining concerns with the new Smart water meters and new radio controlled microwave antenna for the Benson Rd. water tank. Letter did not make it to the committee in time to be placed on the agenda but the issue will be referred to the Board of Selectman as it is not an issue for the safety committee.
- 4) Tammi Yiakowmatos, (Shining Rock Community). Reports that driveway aprons and sidewalks have elevation discrepancies due to weather and frost heaves. They are in poor condition and she is concerned for elderly residents walking on these sidewalks. The issue was brought to Tobar who has done nothing to resolve the problems. Questions whether we have jurisdiction to make them fix it and whether we hold a bond. Peter Bedigian made a motion to have it looked at. Seconded by Jim Shuris. **All in favor.**

ADJOURNMENT:

Having no further business the Safety Committee adjourned its meeting at or about 11:55AM.

Respectfully yours,

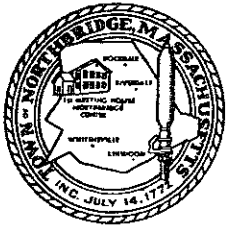
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Gary Nestor, Northbridge Fire Chief
Chairman Northbridge Safety Committee

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CC: Northbridge Town Clerk
Northbridge Town Manager
Northbridge Planning Board
Lt. Timothy Labrie

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Town of Northbridge

Safety Committee Meeting August 19, 2015

Fire Department

193 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588
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Gary A. Nestor
Fire Chief

August 25, 2015

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

No Parking-Cross St

No Parking-Crescent St

Overnight Parking Exemption-Park St

Request to remove divider and stop sign-Eisenhower & Jefferson

Sign request East St @ Johnston Ave

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Decorative lighting-Linwood Ave, Church St, Rockdale
Heritage Design-proposed commercial property-Main St @ Water St
Speed Concerns-Douglas Rd

Dear Board Members:

The Northbridge Safety Committee met on **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2015** in the Police Station Conference Room. The following members were present: Chairman Gary Nestor, James Shuris, Jamie Luchini, Chief Walter Warchol, Peter Bedigian, George Murray, Gary Bechtholdt, Melissa Walker, Catherine Stickney,

Chairman Chief Gary Nestor called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Upon motion duly made () and seconded () the Safety Committee voted to ACCEPT the meeting minutes of May 20, 2015.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following items were discussed on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 and are being forwarded to the Board of Selectmen as recommendations of the Northbridge Safety Committee:

No Parking during school hours-Cross St
(Northbridge School Department):

Requests for no parking on either side of Cross Street from 7:00am to 3:00pm, when school is in session. Staff will park in rear of the church parking lot. Parents can park in church lot or the St Patrick's lot on the right side of NES. The school is also in discussion with Saint Patrick's to pave more of that lot.

George Murray made a motion to make Pleasant Street to Linwood Ave a no parking zone during school hours on both sides of the street. Signage will be needed. Seconded by Gary Bechtholdt. **All in Favor.**

No Parking during school hours-Crescent Street:
(Northbridge School Department)

School requests the no parking area be extended so that buses can adequately make turns in and out of Balmer School and to help alleviate the back up in traffic. George Murray made a motion for both sides of the street from Arcade Street to Lake Street become no parking zones during school hours. Signage will be needed. Gary Bechtholdt seconded. **All in Favor.**

Overnight Parking Ban exception-Park Street:
(Diane Moriarty-Mumford Fall, LLC)

Diane Moriarty requests an exemption to the parking ban on Park Street to ease parking issues. Chief Warchol denied request. Seconded by George Murray. **All in Favor.**

Removal of stop sign and concrete divider-Eisenhower & Jefferson:
(Ronald Garabedian-96 Jefferson Ave)

Stop sign and rumble strip were put into place to slow traffic. It is a shorter access to Sutton Street and forces slow driving and stop at the intersection. Jim Shuris feels a stop sign is sufficient here. Jim Shuris made a motion to remove the concrete barrier. Seconded by Peter Bedigian. **All in favor.**

Request for signage-East Street and Johnston Ave:
(Michael Downing-11 Brook St)

Mr. Downing cites concerns due to multiple accidents at this intersection. He would like additional large road painting. Committee discussed options. George Murray made a motion to make this intersection a four way stop, by adding stop signs on Johnston as well as East St. Jim Shuris seconded. **All in favor.**

NEW BUSINESS

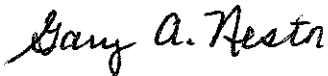
- 1) Karen Gagner - expressed concern that almost all decorative lights on Church St. and Linwood Ave. as well as Providence Rd. in Rockdale are out, especially in the area of crosswalks and near the parks. Jim Shuris recommends that all the decorative light poles be numbered and tagged to make it easier to identify when needed. It was discussed again that the Board of Selectman need to adopt a Street Light policy. George Murray made a motion to have these lights returned to working order. Seconded by Chief Warchol. **All in Favor.**
- 2) Eric Bazzett - Heritage Design Group-Advising the Committee of a proposed 4,000 square foot retail store and gas station. Lot will connect with Coremark for ease of use for them but will be gated to everyone else. Traffic study is not yet completed. Concerns raised about the entrance/exit being that close to Lake Street, which is where all Balmer School busses will be routed to. Gary Bechtholdt recommends a site walk. Will be done, Wednesday September 09, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.

- 3) Dennis Rice, Alternatives Unlimited on Douglas Road - has concerns over the speed limit due to road improvements. Speed limit is 40mph. Jim Shuris will look into whether this area can be classified as thickly settled. If so, possibly reduce speed limit to 30 mph. Item to be placed on the next agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

Having no further business the Safety Committee adjourned it meeting at or about 11:00AM.

Respectfully yours,



Gary Nestor, Northbridge Fire Chief
Chairman Northbridge Safety Committee

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For Chairman Melia to read

National Pow-Mia Recognition Day

September 18th is officially National Pow-Mia Recognition Day as declared by the President. On Friday, September 18th, the nation will be remembering the Pow-Mia's of all of our nation's conflicts. The day is meant to pay special recognition to all those U.S. men and women who have been held as prisoners of war and especially those who remain unaccounted for.

This year, the Blackstone Valley Veterans' Association, formally known as the Blackstone Valley Nam Vets, will be celebrating their 30th anniversary as a Veteran's organization. We, the Blackstone Valley Veterans' Association, will be hosting our 30th Pow-Mia Vigil to remember our Prisoners of War and those Missing in Action. The Vigil will begin on Friday, September 18th and continue on until Sunday, September 20th. On Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M., there will be a candlelight ceremony to remember those heroes that never returned from the Vietnam War. As a hero's name is called a candle will be lit in their memory. Following the ceremony, there will be a rifle salute followed by Taps. The entire Vigil is open to the public including the Saturday evening ceremony.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – September 14, 2015

1. **Stormwater Seminar:** The Regional Stormwater Coalition held a seminar on the upcoming EPA permit to discuss some of the requirements that will be needed to be in compliance as well as possible funding sources, which communities can use to implement this new permit requirement.
2. **Good Energy Aggregation Project:** Attended a public hearing in Boston at the DPU. The hearing appeared to go well; utility companies attended and had no issues with our application. It is hopeful a positive decision will be determined shortly.
3. **Quinsigamond Community College Update :** A meeting will be held on Monday, September 14th, after which I will be able to update the board on the potential location for a satellite campus in Northbridge.
4. **Lieutenant Governor's Meeting on Local Issues:** Representative Muradian invited the communities he represents to meet with Lieutenant Governor Polito to discuss the Baker administration's plan on working with local communities on their needs. A compact between the Governor's Office and local communities is part of this process.
5. **Central Mass Regional Planning Commission [Regional Managers Workshop]:** Attended a regional management meeting with the new Executive Director of the CMRPC, Janet Pierce. Discussion focused on various services that they can provide to communities as well as regional efforts that the town can provide both through the commission and with each of our communities together.
6. **School Based Behavioral Health Update/Anti-Drug Seminar/Workshop:** The Northbridge Coalition will be hosting an evening to raise support and awareness for addiction. A presentation will take place at the Northbridge Middle School Auditorium, Thursday, October 8th, from 7-9 PM. The public is invited to attend.