

**TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
NORTHBRIDGE TOWN HALL
7 MAIN STREET - WHITINSVILLE, MA 01588
April 28, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.
REVISED**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. 1) March 17, 2014 2) April 7, 2014 [Executive Session]

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

III. APPOINTMENTS

B. By the Board of Selectmen:

- 1) Annual Reappointment: Ann Riley, Board of Registrars [Republican Designee]

By the Town Manager:

- 2) Julie Harris, Asst. Treasurer/Collector

IV. CITIZENS' COMMENTS/INPUT

V. DECISIONS

C. Northbridge Veterans' Council/1) Request to hold Memorial Day Parade in Whitinsville on Monday, May 26, 2014 at 10:00 AM. 2) Request permission to use the Memorial Town Common for Memorial Day exercises.

D. National Grid [Bruce Kut] and Verizon New England/Petition for a joint pole relocation on Quaker Street to remove an old pole line in woods and relocate to the side of Quaker Street [Plan #15750245, dated 1/13/14]

E. Annual License Renewals [Junk Dealers, Pool Tables, Bowling & Billiards]/Vote to approve subject to the payment of all monies due the Town

F. Determination and Consent Pursuant to Massachusetts Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 1.7 – Representation of the Towns of Northbridge and Sutton re: Agreement for Payment-In-Lieu-of Taxes (Oakhurst Farm Solar Facility)/Vote consent to Kopelman & Paige's representation of both towns regarding the proposed Agreement

G. Spring Annual Town Meeting [May 6, 2014]/Vote position on Article 21 [PILOT Agreement– Lasell Rd.]

H. Annual Town Election [May 20, 2014]/Vote to sign election warrant

VI. DISCUSSIONS

I. RFP for Solid Waste and Recycling program/Update

J. Overview of Prop 2½ Override Question including financial impact on residents

K. Trustees of Soldiers' Memorials/Present: Thomas Farley/Renaming of the Douglas Road Bridge in honor of United States Marine L/CPL Thomas S. Perron

VII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

L. 1) Mass. Historical Commission: Recognition of the Northbridge Town Hall rehabilitation project with a 2014 Mass. Historical Commission Preservation Award

2) Annual Town Election [May 20, 2014]/Voter registration timeline

3) Sutton Street Project/Update

4) Massachusetts Education & Government Association Award

VIII. SELECTMEN'S CONCERNS

IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

X. CORRESPONDENCE

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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ADDENDUM**

V. DECISIONS

HH. Mass DOT Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program/Vote to sign contract

**Board of Selectmen's Meeting
March 17, 2014**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Approval of Minutes. February 10, 2014 – A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Melia to approve the February 10, 2014 Meeting minutes as presented with the readings omitted. Vote yes/Messrs. Ampagoomian, Melia, Athanas and Nolan. **February 24, 2014** – A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Melia to approve the February 24, 2014 Meeting minutes as presented with the readings omitted. Vote yes/Messrs. Ampagoomian, Melia, Athanas and Nolan. **February 24, 2014 [Executive Session]**. A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Athanas to approve but not release the February 24, 2014 Executive Session minutes as presented with the readings omitted. Vote yes/Messrs. Athanas, Ampagoomian and Nolan. Abstain/Mr. Melia. **March 3, 2014 [Executive Session]**. A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Melia to approve but not release the March 3, 2014 Executive Session minutes as presented with the readings omitted. Vote yes/Messrs. Ampagoomian, Melia, Athanas and Nolan.

Public Hearings. None.

Resignations. Beverly Morrissette, Council on Aging. A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Melia to accept the resignation of Beverly Morrissette from the Council on Aging and send a letter of appreciation for her service to the town. Vote yes/Messrs. Ampagoomian, Melia, Athanas and Nolan. **James Mahoney, Disability Commission.** A motion/Mr. Melia, seconded/Mr. Athanas to accept the resignation of James Mahoney from the Disability Commission and send a letter of appreciation for his service to the town. Vote yes/Messrs. Ampagoomian, Melia, Athanas and Nolan.

Citizens' Comments/Input. Mr. Phillip Simmons, 96 Fowler Road, Northbridge mentioned that he attended a previous Selectmen's Meeting to discuss a complaint he had with the Fire Department on burning brush in his backyard. He noted that he received a response from the Fire Department addressing his complaint and disagrees with what transpired that day. Chairman Nolan asked Mr. Simmons what the Board of Selectmen could do to satisfy him and Mr. Simmons stated that he asked that the Highway Department be in charge of the burning brush process. Town Manager Kozak disagreed with Mr. Simmons' comment and stated that the Northbridge Fire Department is very professional. Town Manager Kozak suggested meeting with Mr. Simmons, Gary Nestor, Fire Chief and himself to discuss the situation and come to a resolution. **Thomas Valdivia, William White and Brian Castell, Northbridge Firefighter's Union.** Members of the Northbridge Fire Department asked the Board of Selectmen for a \$350,000 public safety proposition 2 ½ override to hire four more additional firefighters. The firefighters' request, which also includes funding for an additional police officer comes on the heels of the School Committee's request for a \$3 million dollar override. Mr. Valdivia mentioned that he and other members of the Fire Department are looking for two overrides to be separate questions before voters, not a combined override question. He then advised the Board that their current staffing level is twelve full-time firefighters, all of whom are also EMT's or paramedics, and three are on duty per shift. That being said, given the high volume of ambulance calls, the station is often uncovered, in which they rely on off-duty full-time firefighters, call firefighters and EMT's to come in from home to respond to calls. He then stated by having the additional positions this would allow the Fire Department to be properly staffed twenty-four hours a day to respond to residents. He also mentioned that the Northbridge Fire Department

relies heavily on out of town mutual aid support and this is burdening the other towns with our call volume. That said, in 2012, the Northbridge Fire Department had approximately 155 ambulance calls where other out of town ambulances had to come in because the Northbridge Fire Department couldn't cover their second ambulance. In 2013, that number rose to 180. Because of the increased out of town ambulance calls, Mr. Valdivia stated that the Police Officers frequently call their dispatcher from the scene of an emergency wanting to know if an ambulance is coming from out of town or if it will be one of their own. In addition to the delay of the response, the Town is losing revenue. Revenue which could be used by the Town to help defray the cost of additional personnel. Mr. Valdivia explained that the Northbridge Fire Department is one of the busiest department's in all the surrounding towns. He then mentioned that by raising the staffing level, this would allow for them to perform other vital services in the Town such as: fire prevention inspections, safety inspections, equipment maintenance and training. Selectmen Melia said that when the merger of fire and police dispatching is complete, it will free up four firefighters who had previously been on the desk. Chairman Nolan stated that he supports the firefighter's request, but is on the fence as to whether or not it should be a separate question. Selectman Ampagoomian suggested putting it on as a separate question. Mr. Valdivia explained that the Firefighter's Union is just asking for the residents of Northbridge to consider passing their override request so that they can better serve the Town of Northbridge. The Selectmen were split on their support of the firefighters' request.

Selectman Marzec arrived.

Blackstone Valley Gardeners [Cynthia Kosciak]/Requests permission to use Memorial Park on Saturday, June 7, 2014, from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. for a public plant sale. A motion/Mr. Melia, seconded/Mr. Ampagoomian to approve the Blackstone Valley Gardeners' request to use Memorial Park on Saturday, June 7, 2014, from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. for a public plant sale. Vote yes/Unanimous.

Riverdale Cemetery Deed/Lot No. 20B [Leonard and Pamela Krygsman III] - A motion/Mr. Marzec, seconded/Mr. Melia to sign the Riverdale Cemetery Deed for Lot #20B – Leonard and Pamela Krygsman III. Vote yes/Unanimous.

Spring Annual Town Meeting May 6, 2014]. Vote to sign warrant upon completion and final review by Town Counsel. A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Marzec to sign the warrant upon completion and final review by Town Counsel. Vote yes, Unanimous.

RFP for Solid Waste Contract. Present: Irene Congdon, Regional Recycling Coordinator for Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. Town Manager Kozak mentioned that the RFP for Solid Waste Contract can now be advertised. He also mentioned that at a future Selectmen's Meeting the Board will need to appoint someone as the Representative to review the RFP. A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Athanas to approve the RFP for Solid Waste and Recycling Contract. Vote yes/Unanimous.

Young Neighbors in Action – St. Patrick's Church [Gracia Casey]/Requests permission to hold a 5K Road Race on Saturday, June 7, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. to fundraise on behalf of World Youth Day. Selectman Athanas mentioned that the Board of Selectmen approved a request at their last Selectmen's Meeting for Young Neighbors in Action – St. Patrick's Church to hold a 5K Road Race. That being said, there is another road race being held that day and the Young Neighbors in Action would like to change their road race date from May 31, 2014 to Saturday, June 7, 2014. A motion/Mr. Ampagoomian, seconded/Mr. Athanas to grant permission to Young Neighbors in Action – St. Patrick's Church [Gracia Casey] to hold a 5K Road Race on Saturday, June 7, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. to fundraise on behalf of World Youth Day. Vote yes/Unanimous.

Alternatives 29th Annual Valley Friendship Tour, Saturday, May 31, 2014/1) Request permission to hang a banner across Church Street from May 18, 2014 through June 1, 2014 to advertise the 29th Annual Valley Friendship Tour fundraiser. A motion/Mr. Marzec, seconded/Mr. Athanas to approve Alternatives' request to hang a banner across Church Street from May 18, 2014 through June 1, 2014 to advertise their 29th Annual Valley Friendship Tour fundraiser to be held Saturday, May 31, 2014. Vote yes/Unanimous. **2) Request permission to conduct the race and close Douglas Road at the start of each race beginning at 8:00 A.M., 9:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.** A motion/Mr. Marzec, seconded/Mr. Athanas to approve Alternatives' request to conduct the race and close Douglas Road at the start of each race beginning at 8:00 A.M., 9:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., and 11:00 A.M. subject to the safety requirements of the Northbridge Police Department. Vote yes/Unanimous.

Ballot Question to consider a possible Proposition 2 ½ override. Present: Walter Warchol, Chief of Police, Gary Nestor, Fire Chief, and Dr. Nancy Spitulnik, Superintendent of Schools. Town Manager Kozak mentioned that the School Department and Finance Committee have been discussing the need for considering a possible proposition 2 ½ override. He then mentioned that there will be two ballot questions: 1) with omnibus with a normal budget, and 2) omnibus with an override. Walter Warchol, Chief of Police announced that in 2005, the Northbridge Police Department had 22 full-time officers and currently the Northbridge Police Department has 19 full-time officers. Chief Warchol then mentioned that on April 7th one of his officers will be the School Resource Officer, however, he noted that should his department lose an officer, he would then need to remove the officer from the School to maintain and protect the community at large. Chief Warchol mentioned that he provided the Select Board members with a comparison study of all the surrounding communities that are contiguous to Northbridge or with a similar size to Northbridge for their review. Dr. Nancy Spitulnik, Superintendent of Schools said that while she sympathized with the needs of other departments, the school override request was spread over five years, and was to maintain current funding. Even if the override passes, the schools will have to make cuts, just not as drastic as the cuts to be made if it fails. Gary Nestor, Fire Chief mentioned that the last time his department added multiple members to the personnel staff was back in 1986. The department currently has 12 full-time firefighters and 28 call firefighters. He then mentioned that in 1986 the Fire Department attended 1,960 calls and in 2013 they attended over 3,000 calls. Chief Nestor mentioned that by adding the additional personnel to his staff this would allow for his department to improve service and provide safety to the residents of the Town. Chairman Nolan mentioned that this item would be placed under decisions at their next Board of Selectmen's meeting.

Sal D'Amato, Chairman of the Finance Committee spoke briefly to say that his committee is responsible for sponsoring one article on the warrant, which is the omnibus budget. He then mentioned that somehow his committee is now responsible for sponsoring the override question and stated that this isn't right and not the way it should be. Mr. D'Amato explained how displeased he and his committer are with having to sponsor the override question and stated that it should have been the Board of Selectmen or School Department's responsibility, not the Finance Committee. That being said, Mr. D'Amato informed the Board of Selectmen that this will be the last time the Finance Committee sponsors more than one article. Town Manager Kozak explained that he asked the Finance Committee to sponsor the omnibus article with and without the override because he thought it was their responsibility. Town Manager Kozak said that because the Finance Committee always sponsors the omnibus budget that is why he thought the override question fell under the Finance Committee's jurisdiction. He then apologized to Mr. D'Amato and stated that there was no time left and if the Finance Committee didn't sponsor the override article(s) then the Town would have to call a Special Town Meeting. Walter Warchol, Chief of Police announced that he requested an additional police officer under the public safety override but after listening to the Superintendent of Schools this evening, withdrew his request, saying he could not justify adding additional personnel when the school department was simply fighting to maintain personnel. He said, I live in town and we are a team.

Town Manager's Report. 1) WRTA Bus Route Changes: Reported the WRTA new bus route schedule has finally been activated. We have information on the Town's homepage and pamphlets are available at Town Hall and the Library. **2) Groundbreaking Ceremony & Reception [Osterman Management, LLC, Milford Regional Medical Center & Tri-County Medical Associates]:** Attended the ceremony and reception with Selectman Melia and Walter Warchol, Chief of Police for the new medical facility on Church Street Extension. The event was very well attended. **3) Tax Title Property Auction Results:** - Announced the results of the Tax Title Auction that took place Friday, March 14, 2014 at Noontime. He reported that 84 Border Street sold for \$26,000.00, C Street Garages sold for \$18,000.00 and the property on Quaker Street sold for \$171,970.00.

Selectmen's Concerns. Selectman Melia/Mentioned that he attended the Groundbreaking Ceremony and reception for Osterman Management, LLC, Milford Regional Medical Center & Tri-County Medical Associates and noted that the Town will be receiving about \$70,000.00 in additional revenue (taxes). **Selectman Ampagoomian/1)** Asked Town Manager Kozak if he knew the status of the China Pacific Restaurant and Town Manager Kozak replied that he hasn't heard anything. **2)** Asked Town Manager Kozak to see if the Highway Department could go out to Pollard Road and fix a couple potholes. **Selectman Marzec 1)** Asked if there were any interested businesses/people who would like to get together to discuss the need to increase business in the Town of Northbridge. **2)** Mentioned that people aren't stopping at the Douglas Road Bridge. **3)** Asked if signs (keep to the right) could be placed near Cross Street and Church Street [near St. Patrick's Church] so that people know to jet to the right hand side. **Selectman Athanas/Asked** when the Sutton Street Project was starting and Town Manager Kozak mentioned that the State was waiting for the weather to break, which should be shortly. **Selectman Melia/Asked** the status of Pine Grove Cemetery. Town Manager Kozak replied that Town Counsel is waiting for information from the Attorney General's Office to make sure the proper steps are being followed with the transfer of the property. He also noted that the Trustees for Pine Grove Cemetery hired an Accountant to finalize the books and haven't received the final results yet.

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

Meeting Adjourned: 8:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

James Athanas, Clerk

/dmg

LIST OF DOCUMENTATION

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING – OPEN SESSION

March 17, 2014

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. 1) Copy of February 10, 2014 minutes. **2)** Copy of February 24, 2014 minutes. **3)** Copy of February 24, 2014 Executive Session minutes. [Removed from backup documentation as they have not been released by Board of Selectmen]. **4)** Copy of March 3, 2014 Executive Session minutes. [Removed from backup documentation as they have not been released by Board of Selectmen].

II. PUBLIC HEARING

III. RESIGNATIONS

B. 1) Copy of Beverly Morrissette's Resignation Letter. **2)** Copy of James Mahoney's Resignation Letter.

IV. CITIZENS' COMMENTS/INPUT

V. DECISIONS

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

E. Copy of Riverdale Cemetery Deed/Lot No. 20B for Leonard and Pamela Krygsman III.

F. Copy of draft warrant for the Spring Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, May 6, 2014.

G. Copy of RFP for Solid Waste and Recycling Contract.

GG. Copy of request to change Young Neighbors in Action's 5K Road Race date from May 31, 2014 to June 7, 2014.

GGG. Alternatives 29th Annual Valley Friendship Tour, Saturday, May 31, 2014 – 1) Copy of letter requesting permission to hang a banner over Church Street; 2) Copy of letter requesting to close down Douglas Road; 3) Copy of email from Walter Warchol, Chief of Police regarding their event.

VI. DISCUSSIONS

H. Copy of override expenses needed for Public Safety.

VII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

I. 1) WRTA Bus Route Changes – **Copy of flyer with bus route changes.**

2) Groundbreaking Ceremony & Reception [Osterman Management, LLC, Milford Regional Medical Center & Tri-County Medical Associates – **No documentation.**

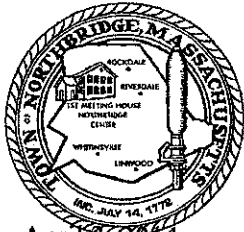
3) Tax Title Property Auction Results – **No documentation.**

VIII. SELECTMEN'S CONCERNS - No documentation.

IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA- No documentation.

X. CORRESPONDENCE- No documentation.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None.



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April 3, 2014
Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager
Ms. Ann Riley
Hill Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588

Dear Ms. Riley:

The Board of Selectmen and I are in the process of considering appointments to various Town Boards and Commissions who, under the Town Charter, fall under our appointive authority. Your term of office on the Board of Registrars expired March 31, 2014, and this letter seeks your decision on continuing to serve the Town of Northbridge in this endeavor.

Please complete and return the form below and submit it to my office at your earliest convenience, advising us whether you are or you are not interested in serving another term.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your service to the Town of Northbridge. Your efforts are very much appreciated and gratefully acknowledged.

Sincerely,

Theodore D. Kozak / sls
Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager

TDK/sls

Please fill out this section and return this form to:

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

Please check one:

YES, I AM seeking reappointment to the Board of Registrars for a 3-yr. Term to expire 3/31/2017

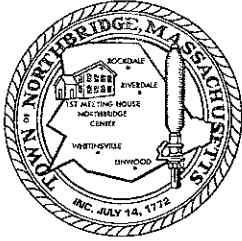
NO, I AM NOT seeking reappointment

Signature

Ann Riley
1077 Hill St, Whitinsville
Address

508-234-9378
Phone:

B.2.



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Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager

April 24, 2014

Ms. Julie Harris
23 Forest Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588

Dear Ms. Harris:

I am very pleased to inform you that you are hereby being promoted from Payroll Coordinator to Assistant Treasurer/Collector effective April 29, 2014.

This position is full-time (35 hours per week), Grade 7, Step 3, with a salary of \$24.83 per hour and is governed by the Town of Northbridge Personnel Policy Manual.

Pursuant to Article 4, Section 4-2 of the Town Charter, such appointment shall become effective on the fifteenth day following the day on which notice of the appointment is filed with the Board of Selectmen, unless the Board of Selectmen shall within that period by a majority of all its members vote to reject such appointment, or has voted sooner to affirm it.

Congratulations on this achievement and I wish you all the very best in the coming years.

Sincerely,

Theodore D. Kozak
Town Manager

c: Board of Selectmen
Doreen Cedrone, Town Clerk

C.

Donna Gosselin

From: jmarzec@charter.net
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 3:20 PM
To: dgosselin@northbridgemass.org; tkozak@northbridgemass.org;
ssusienka@northbridgemass.org; Dan Nolan
Cc: Dan Beneway; Jim Marzec
Subject: Agenda Item for Next Meeting-Memorial Day

All-

I am formally inviting the members of the BOS & requesting the use of Memorial Common for the Memorial Day services. I will have a more formal letter to present prior to the BOS meeting, but I wanted to make sure it made it on the agenda. We stage at 9:30 AM at Pine Grove Cemetery & the services begin at 10 AM, with the parade to follow.

If any of the selectmen (or others) want to drive one of Mr. Knott's vehicles in the parade, please tell me & I'll see if that can happen.

Jim Marzec

nationalgrid

1/23/14 E.J. Shuris
A.D.
RECEIVED

JAN 21 2014

Northbridge Town Manager

January 13, 2014

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

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a petition of NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON, covering joint NATIONAL GRID-VERIZON pole locations

If you have any questions regarding this permit please contact:

Angela Birch 401-784-7726

Please notify National Grid's Angela Birch of the hearing date / time at 401-784-7726 or angela.birch@us.ngrid.com

If this petition meets with your approval, please return an executed copy to each of the above named Companies.

National Grid Contact: Angela Birch; 280 Melrose Street; Providence, RI 02907

Very truly yours,

Chris Montalto *CM*

Chris Montalto, Engineering
Supervisor, Distribution Design

Enclosures

PETITION FOR JOINT POLE RE-LOCATIONS

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Copy

Hopedale, MA 01747

To the Board of Selectmen
of the Town of Northbridge, Massachusetts

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

request permission to relocate poles, wires, cables and fixtures, including anchors, guys and other such necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way or ways:-

Quaker Street

Nationa Grid to remove old pole line in woods and relocoate to the side of Quaker Street.

Wherefore they ask that they be granted a joint relocation for and permission to erect and maintain poles, wires, cables and fixtures to be placed thereon, together with anchors, guys and other such sustaining and protecting fixtures as they must find necessary, said poles to be located substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked: Plan No. 15750245 Dated: 01/13/2014

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground cables conduits, wires and necessary equipment in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one cross arm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, police, telephone and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

By: Chris Montalto
Manager of Distribution Design

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

By: [Signature]
Manager, R.O.W.

ORDER FOR JOINT POLE RELOCATION

Hopedale, MA 01747

January 20, 2014

By the Board of Selectmen
of the Town of Northbridge, Massachusetts

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

that **MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.**
be and they are hereby granted a joint relocation for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires
to be replaced thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem
necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Companies dated
the **13th day of January, 2014**

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:-
Poles shall be sound and timber, and reasonably straight, and shall be set substantially at the points
indicated upon the plan marked:

Plan No. **15750245** Dated: **01/13/2014** filed with said petition.

There may be attached to said poles by said **MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY** necessary wires,
cables and fixtures and by said **VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.** not to exceed **40** wires and **4** cables and
all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than **18** feet from the ground at highway
crossings, and not less than **16** feet from the ground elsewhere.

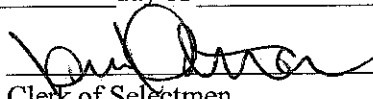
The following are the public ways or parts of ways along which the poles above referred to may be erected,
and the number of poles which may be erected thereon under this order:-

Quaker Street

**Nationa Grid to remove old pole line in woods and relcoate to the side
of Quaker Street.**

Also that permission be and herby is granted to each of said Companies to lay and maintain underground
cables, conduits, wires and necessary equipment in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose
of making connections with such poles and buildings as each may desire for distributing purposes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen
of the Town of Northbridge, Massachusetts held on the _____ day of _____ 2014


Clerk of Selectmen

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen
of the Town of Northbridge, Massachusetts held on the _____ day of _____ 2014

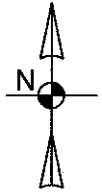
recorded with the records of location orders of said Town,

Book _____, Page _____.

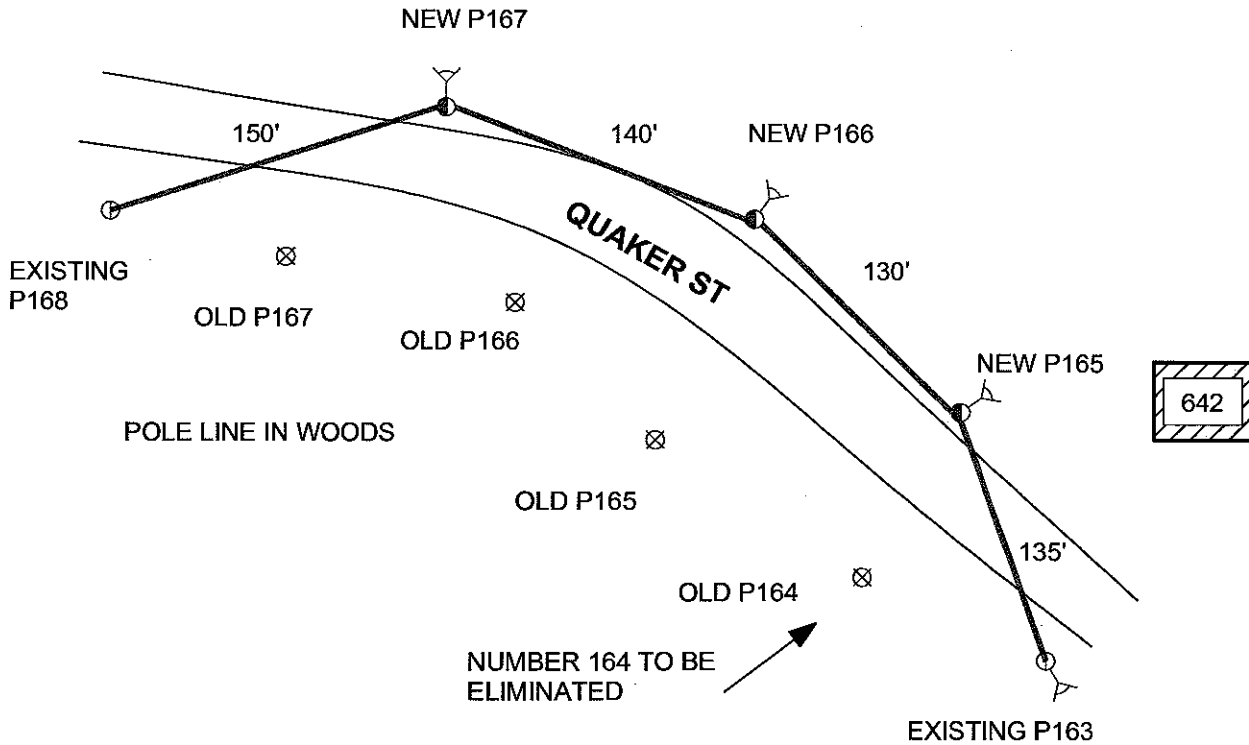
This certified copy is made under the provisions of Chapter 166 of General Laws and any additions thereto
or amendments thereof.

Attest: _____
Town Clerk

NATIONAL GRID TO REMOVE OLD POLE LINE IN WOODS AND RELOCATE TO THE SIDE OF QUAKER STREET



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JOINT OWNED POLE PETITION	nationalgrid And Verizon New England, Inc.
● Proposed NGRID Pole Locations	Date:
○ Existing NGRID Pole Locations	Plan Number: 15750245
● Proposed J.O. Pole Locations	To Accompany Petition Dated:
⊕ Existing J.O. Pole Locations	To The: TOWN Of NORTHBRIDGE
⊕ Existing Telephone Co. Pole Locations	For Proposed: 4 Pole: JO Location: QUAKER ST
⊙ Existing NGRID Pole Location To Be Made J.O.	Date Of Original Grant:
⊗ Existing Pole Locations To Be Removed	
DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE	

The \$Price\$ is Right	Mr. Maurice Bisceglia	178 Church Street	Whitinsville, MA 01588	Junk Dealer's License
Mantown Consignment	Mr. Brian Provencal	2679 Providence Road	Whitinsville, MA 01588	Junk Dealer's License
Past & Present Etc.	Mr. Richard Clark	670 Linwood Ave.	Whitinsville, MA 01588	Junk Dealer's License
Chatsworth Antiques	Ms. Renee Jewel	44 New Boston Road	Sturbridge, MA 01566	Junk Dealer's License
Blings & Things	Ms. Robert Burrows	5D Colonial Drive	Whitinsville, MA 01588	Junk Dealer's License
Remember When Antiques	Ms. Laura Caruso	1697 Providence Road	Northbridge, MA 01534	Junk Dealer's License
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Sparetime Recreation	Mr. Kenneth Couture	426 Hill Street	Whitinsville, MA 01588	Bowling License
Sparetime Recreation	Mr. Kenneth Couture	426 Hill Street	Whitinsville, MA 01588	Billiards License (8) \$30.00 ea.

E.

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April 18, 2014

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Hon. Daniel Nolan and
Members of the Board of Selectmen
Northbridge Town Hall
7 Main Street
Whitinsville, MA 01588

APR 22 2013

Re: Determination and Consent Pursuant to Massachusetts Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 1.7 - Representation of the Towns of Northbridge and Sutton Agreement for Payment-In-Lieu-of-Taxes (Oakhurst Farm Solar Facility)

Dear Members of the Board of Selectmen:

We have been requested to advise the Towns of Northbridge and Sutton, which we represent as Town Counsel, concerning a proposed payment-in-lieu-of-tax agreement for a solar facility to be developed by Nexamp on land located in both Northbridge and Sutton known as the Oakhurst Farm property ("the Agreement").

Our relationship with Northbridge and Sutton creates interests that require disclosure pursuant to the Rules of Professional Conduct of the Massachusetts Bar that require us to obtain the express permission of the Appointing Authority of each Town before we can represent the other Town. The purpose of this letter is to make such disclosure and to request that you determine whether you will permit such representation. In addition, while the State Ethics Commission has determined that Kopelman and Paige, P.C. and its individual attorneys are not "municipal employees" pursuant to the Conflict of Interest Law, we provide this letter to dispel any appearance of a conflict on the firm's behalf in this matter.

MULTIPLE REPRESENTATION DISCLOSURE

The representation of multiple clients is regulated under the Massachusetts Rules of Professional Conduct. The relevant provision, Rule 1.7, states that an attorney may not represent multiple clients if the interests of one client are directly adverse to those of another client, or if his representation of one client may be materially limited by his responsibilities to another client or his own interests. If, however, the attorney reasonably believes that the representation of either client will not be adversely affected, and each of the clients consents after consultation, the attorney may represent the client in such a situation. Where representation of multiple clients in a single matter is undertaken, we are also required to disclose and explain the implications of the common representation and the advantages and risks involved.

In our opinion, our position as Town Counsel to the Town of Sutton will not adversely affect the representation we will provide to Northbridge with respect to the Agreement. It is our further opinion that this joint representation provides the advantage of cost effectiveness (i.e., the cost of our

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time spent on preparing the Agreement will be split between the communities) and efficiency. The only risk I would note would be the unlikely event in which negotiations or performance of the Agreement breaks down between the parties, to the point where one municipality seeks legal redress from the other. Under these circumstances, Kopelman and Paige, P.C. would likely have to cease representing both Towns with regard to the Agreement. You must consider whether our representation of Sutton as described above will be likely to adversely affect our ability to exercise independent professional judgment on behalf of Northbridge.

DETERMINATION

It is our belief that our representation of Sutton, for the purposes and under the conditions described in this letter, will not affect the exercise of our independent professional judgment on behalf of Northbridge with regard to the Agreement or any other matter. It is your determination as Appointing Authority, however, as to whether the representation described herein will not impair the integrity of this firm's services to Northbridge.

Accordingly, I request that you, as Appointing Authority, consent to our representation of the Towns of Northbridge and Sutton regarding the proposed Agreement. Should you so consent, I ask that you sign the enclosed determination as required by the Rules of Professional Conduct. Please sign the two originals provided, return one copy to this office, and retain one copy for your records.

Thank you for your consideration. Of course, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



David J. Doneski

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SPRING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT - 5/6/14 - 7:00 PM

Presenter	Selectmen	Finance Committee	Town Meeting
Article 1. Selectmen Bill(s) of a prior year	Support	_____	_____
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	x	x
Article 2. Selectmen FY'14 Budget Transfers	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____
Article 3. Finance Committee FY'15 Omnibus Budget Article	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____
Article 4. Finance Committee Override Article	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____
Article 5. Selectmen FY'15 Sewer Enterprise	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____
Article 6. Selectmen FY'15 Water Enterprise	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____
Article 7. Selectmen Chapter 90	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____
Article 8. Selectmen FY'15 Treas/Coll. compensating balance agreement	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____
Article 9. Play & Rec FY'15 Play & Rec reauthorization of the revolving account for \$20,000	Support	x	x
	Non-support	_____	_____
	No Position	_____	_____
	Pass Over	_____	_____

Article 10. Selectmen	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x 3-2 </u>	<u> </u>
Transfer money from lot receipts and burial charges [from Pine Grove Cemetery] to fund cemetery operation costs of the DPW	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 11. Selectmen	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Transfer money from Town Building Maintenance Fund to maintain town-owned Buildings/facilities	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 12. Selectmen	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
\$250,000 from Sewer Enterprise Fund to finance the maintenance, repair and expansion of the Town's sanitary sewer and wastewater treatment plant	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 13. Selectmen	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
\$250,000 from Sewer Enterprise Fund to improve the existing sludge gravity thickeners at the Wastewater Treatment Plant	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 14. Selectmen	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Purchase of an Asphalt Hot Box for DPW	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 15. Blackstone Valley Tech. School Comm.	Support	<u> x 4-1 </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Approve \$2.9 million debt of BV Tech for costs of adding, equipping, reconstructing and making repairs to the school	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 16. Assessors	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
\$24,000 for temp assistance to the Board of Assessors to measure and list all properties, interim year revaluation and software upgrades	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 17. Assessors	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x 4-1 </u>	<u> </u>
MGL C.59, S.5, Clause 41C adjust the age limit to persons 65 or older and/or raise the exemption amount	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 18. Planning Board	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Amend Zoning Bylaw – Delete Section 173-18.4 [Temporary Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers]. Replace with new Section 173-18.4 [Registered Marijuana Dispensary]	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Article 19. Planning Board	Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Amend Zoning Bylaw 173-12 [Table of Use Regulations] by adding "Registered Marijuana Dispensary]"	Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Article 20. Selectmen
Authorize BOS to release any right(s) of the
Town to any gravel/gravel banks in or on
property known as Oakhurst Farm

Support	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Article 21. Selectmen
PILOT agreement on land located on Lasell
Road [Oakhurst Farm] Map 1, Parcel 97 and
and Map 1, Parcel 98

Support	<u> </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Non-support	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
No Position	<u> x 2/17/14 </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Article 22. Petition
Amend general bylaws to add "9-408
Residential Waste Collection and Disposal
Contracts" to make any contract for the
Collection, transportation, receipt, processing or
disposal of residential and solid waste shall be
subject to and awarded pursuant to, the provisions of Chapter 30B

Support	<u> </u>	<u> x 3-2 </u>	<u> </u>
Non-support	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
No Position	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Pass Over	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014

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WORCESTER, SS.
To any Constable of the TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northbridge, who are qualified to vote in the ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION to vote at:

Northbridge High School
427 Linwood Avenue
For Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4

on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the Annual Town Election for candidates for the following offices and question:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN.....	TWO SEATS / THREE-YEAR TERMS
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.....	ONE SEAT / THREE-YEAR TERM
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.....	ONE SEAT / TWO-YEAR TERM
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.....	ONE SEAT / ONE-YEAR TERM
PLANNING BOARD.....	TWO SEATS / THREE-YEAR TERMS
TRUSTEES OF SOLDIERS' MEMORIALS - VETERAN.....	ONE SEAT / THREE-YEAR TERM
TRUSTEES OF SOLDIERS' MEMORIALS - NON-VETERAN.....	ONE SEAT / THREE-YEAR TERM
TRUSTEES OF SOLDIERS' MEMORIALS - NON-VETERAN.....	ONE SEAT / TWO-YEAR TERM
NORTHBRIDGE HOUSING AUTHORITY.....	ONE SEAT / FIVE-YEAR TERM
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.....	ONE SEAT / FOUR-YEAR TERM
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.....	ONE SEAT / THREE-YEAR TERM
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.....	ONE SEAT / TWO-YEAR TERM
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.....	ONE SEAT / ONE-YEAR TERM

QUESTION:

Shall the Town of Northbridge be allowed to assess an additional \$3,265,800 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the School Department operating budget, and personnel and employee benefit costs of the Fire Department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014?

YES _____ NO _____

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the following places seven (7) days at least before the time and place of election aforesaid:

- Whitinsville Post Office (Precinct 1)
- Brian's Restaurant (Precinct 1)
- Office of Polyfoam Corp. (Precinct 2)
- Gary's Variety and Spirits (Precinct 2)
- Northbridge Post Office (Precinct 2)
- Town Clerk's Office (Precinct 3)
- 1Quickstop (Precinct 3)
- VFW Hall, 875 Hill Street (Precinct 4)
- Town Hall Annex (Precinct 4)

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

GIVEN under our hands this 28th day of April, 2014

SELECTMEN OF NORTHBRIDGE

Daniel J. Nolan, Chairman

Charles Ampagoomian, Jr.

James R. Marzec

Thomas J. Melia

James J. Athanas

WORCESTER, SS

Northbridge

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 vote at the time and place and for the purpose stated in warrant by posting attested copies thereof as within directed.

Constable, Town of Northbridge

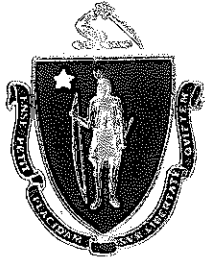
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TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – APRIL 28, 2014

- 1) **Mass. Historical Commission:** Recognition of the Northbridge Town Hall rehabilitation project with a 2014 Mass. Historical Commission Preservation Award. Announced the Northbridge Town Hall will be honored this year at the Mass. Historical Commission's 36th Annual Preservation Award ceremony on May 16, 2014. Details about the ceremony will be forthcoming.
- 2) **Annual Town Election [May 20, 2014]/Voter registration timeline:** Announced the deadline for the May Election is Wednesday, April 30, 2014 and the Town Clerk's Office will be open until 8:00 P.M. that evening.
- 3) **Sutton Street Project/Update:** The Sutton Project is now underway and the DPW Director is coordinating with the State Project Manager on when the roads might be closed and when alternative routes are necessary. The DPW Director will be providing weekly updates online or as necessary.
- 4) **Massachusetts Education & Government Association Award [MEGA]:** Announced that the Town received an award from MEGA for their improvements in loss control for Town and School employees.

4/23/14 C: Gary Bechtoldt
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Secretary of the Commonwealth
State House, Boston, Massachusetts 02133

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William Francis Galvin
Secretary of the Commonwealth

April 17, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Kozak:

The Massachusetts Historical Commission is pleased to recognize the rehabilitation of the Northbridge Town Hall with a 2014 Massachusetts Historical Commission Preservation Award. Kenneth Warchol of the Northbridge Historical Commission nominated this project for an award.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission sincerely appreciates all efforts to preserve the Commonwealth's valuable historic properties. The careful restoration of the Northbridge Town Hall demonstrates a strong commitment to historic preservation that goes well beyond what is normally expected. It is for this significant achievement that the Northbridge Town Hall has been selected to be honored this year at the Massachusetts Historical Commission's 36th Annual Preservation Awards ceremony on May 16, 2014.

On behalf of the Massachusetts Historical Commission, I applaud this outstanding contribution to historic preservation. Details about the ceremony on May 16, 2014 at the Massachusetts Archives Building will be forthcoming.

Once again, congratulations.

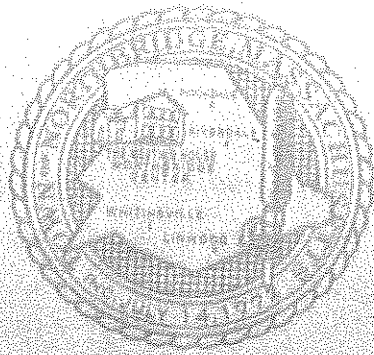
Sincerely,

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
Secretary of the Commonwealth
Chairman, Massachusetts Historical Commission

cc: Kenneth Warchol, Chair, Northbridge Historical Commission

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Town of Northbridge
2013 - 2014



*In Recognition of
Making a Positive Change*

