The Fall Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by the Town Clerk, Doreen A. Cedrone, at the Northbridge Middle School on Linwood Avenue, in Whitingville, in said Northbridge, Massachusetts.

The Town Clerk declared the Town Quorum of 50 present. The number of registered voters in attendance at 7:00 p.m. was 72.

The Town Clerk stated that the Moderator, Harold D. Gould, Jr., was unable to attend the Town Meeting.

Due to the Moderator's absence at this Town Meeting, per MGL, Ch. 39, Section 14, the Town Clerk held an election by ballot of a Temporary Moderator. Henry J. Lane, 39 Heritage Drive, was the only nomination. Mr. Lane received the required vote, and the Town Clerk declared that Henry J. Lane, 39 Heritage Drive, had been elected Temporary Moderator. Mr. Lane was duly sworn in by the Town Clerk.

The invocation was given by Pastor Derek Zeyl, Pleasant Street Christian Reform Church. The pledge of allegiance to the American Flag followed.

The following tellers were appointed by the Temporary Moderator and duly sworn in by the Town Clerk: Sharon Susienka, Jeanne Gniadek, Philip Cyr, Faith Lane, Richard Sasseville, and Leon Duquette.

Upon motion made and seconded and voted unanimously, the reading of the warrant and the return of service thereof were dispensed with.

Attendance at 7:12 p.m.: 76 registered voters

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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 various sums of money and authorize the payment of prior year bills; or take any other action relative thereto.

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<td>Moved and seconded that the Town vote to amend the votes taken under Article 3 of the 2016 Spring Session of the Annual Town Meeting (May 3, 2016). appropriations and transfers under the Omnibus Budget Article, as follows:</td>
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**GENERAL GOVERNMENT:**

- **TOWN MANAGER**
  - Line 2B: Town Manager Expenses
    - By raising and appropriating the additional sum of $10,000
    - Total General Government: $10,000

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

- **POLICE**
  - Line 14B: Police Expenses
    - By raising and appropriating the additional sum of $16,000
    - Total Public Safety: $38,000

**EDUCATION:**

- **SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**
  - Line 20: School District
    - By raising and appropriating the additional sum of $175,000
    - Total Education: $175,000

**HUMAN SERVICES:**

- **BOARD OF HEALTH**
  - Line 22B: Board of Health Expenses
    - By raising and appropriating the additional sum of $6,500
    - Total Human Services: $6,500

**CULTURE AND RECREATION:**

- **MEMORIALS**
  - Line 30A: Soldiers Memorials
    - By raising and appropriating the additional sum of $25,000
    - Total Memorials: $25,000
Moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $125,000 to the Stabilization Fund.

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $85,000 for the purpose of financing the purchase of a Dump Truck for use by the Highway Division of the Department of Public Works.

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to adopt a new Section 7-900 of the Town of Northbridge General Bylaws, entitled “Stretch Energy Code,” as follows, with an effective date of January 1, 2017, for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto:

§ 7-901 Definitions
International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) - The International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) is a building energy code created by the International Code Council. It is a model code adopted by many state and municipal governments in the United States for the establishment of minimum design and construction requirements for energy efficiency, and is updated on a three-year cycle. The baseline energy conservation requirements of the Massachusetts State Building Code are the IECC with Massachusetts amendments, as approved by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards.

Stretch Energy Code - Codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, the Stretch Energy Code is an appendix to the Massachusetts Building Code, based on further amendments to the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) to improve the energy efficiency of buildings built to this code.

§7-902 Purpose
The purpose of 780 CMR 115.AA is to provide a more energy efficient alternative to the Base Energy Code applicable to the relevant sections of the building code for new buildings.

§7-903 Applicability
This code applies to residential and commercial buildings. Buildings not included in this scope shall comply with 780 CMR 13, 34, 51, as applicable.

§7-904 Stretch Code
The Stretch Code, as codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA, including any future editions, amendments or modifications, is hereby made a part of the Town of Northbridge General Bylaws. The Stretch Code is enforceable by the Inspector of Buildings.

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $550,000 to purchase a 2017 Fire Department Pumper Truck and associated appurtenances and equipment, contingent upon the passage of a capital outlay expenditure exclusion under Proposition 2 1/2, so-called.

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100,000 to finance the restoration and repair of the Rockdale World War I Memorial at the Rockdale Common, located at the intersection of Providence Road and School Street, contingent upon the passage of a capital outlay expenditure exclusion under Proposition 2 1/2, so-called.

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000 for the purpose of hiring a consultant to assist the Planning Board in the preparation of a Master Plan for the Town of Northbridge pursuant to MGL CHAPTER 41, SECTION 81D [Master plan; economic development].

Moved and seconded that the Town vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Chapter 173 of the Code of Northbridge, Section 173-12 [Table of Use Regulations], to allow "Miscellaneous business offices and services" by right in the
Heritage (H) zoning district, and to designate "Office for administrative, executive, professional, sales and other similar uses" as a use allowed by-right (P) within the Heritage (H) zoning district, whereas such use is currently allowed only by special permit, as follows:

1. Amend Zoning Bylaw Chapter 173 Section 173-12 [Table of Use Regulations] as follows:

   a. Retail and Services-

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[Amend Section 173-12 by ALLOWING "Miscellaneous business offices and services" by-right (P) within the Heritage (H) Zoning District whereas such use is currently not permitted (–).]

b. Retail and Services-

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[Amend Section 173-12 by ALLOWING "Office for administrative, executive, professional, sales and other similar uses" by-right (P) within the Heritage (H) Zoning District whereas such use is currently permitted by special permit (6).]

ARTICLE 11: Voted Unanimous
Moved and seconded that the Town vote to accept as a public way, the remaining portion of Shining Rock Drive, as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen, a copy of which layout is on file with the Town Clerk, and further authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the Town, to acquire by gift, easements in said way for the purpose for which public ways are used in the Town.

Action having been completed on all of the Articles on the Warrant for the Fall Annual Town Meeting, a motion was made and seconded to dissolve the Warrant and adjourn the Town Meeting.

Voted unanimously at 3:27 p.m. to dissolve the Warrant and adjourn the Fall Annual Town Meeting.

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ATTEST: 
Doreen A. Cedrone, CMC, CMMC
Town Clerk