TOWN OF MONSON
Certifications-Annual Town Meeting
May 12, 2014

Article 1:
The Town voted unanimously to hear reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2:
An amendment was made to change the Town Clerk's salary from $ 40, 536.00 to $ 46, 527.00 in which the Town voted unanimously to fix the salaries of the following elected officials:

Town Clerk	$ 46,527.00
Highway Surveyor	$ 75,100.00

Article 3:
The Town voted unanimously to re-authorize the existing Revolving Funds under M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ as per Attachment A, naming the programs and purposes for which said revolving fund may be expended, the receipts to be credited to the fund, the board, department or officer authorized to expend from said fund and the limit on the total amount which may be expended from said fund during the fiscal year.

Article 7:
The Town voted unanimously to transfer and appropriate the Comcast, Inc. Franchise Fee to Municipal Public Access Cable Television, Inc.

Article 8:
The Town voted unanimously to accept any funds offered to the Town Perpetual Care Cemetery Fund since the last Annual Town Meeting.

Article 9:
The Town voted unanimously to pass over this article (previous years bills)

Article 10:
The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Town Treasurer and Town Collector to enter into written agreements with banking institutions having their principal offices in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for a period not to exceed on year, pursuant to which said Town Treasurer and Town Collector agree to maintain on deposit in said institutions specified amounts of the funds of the Town in return for the provision by said institution(s) of banking services; such services that so qualify shall be prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue, as well as by other provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, et seq.

Article 11:
The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public or private sale, after first giving notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, fourteen (14) days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure; provided, however, that the Selectmen or whomsoever they authorize to hold such sale may reject any bid which they or the person so authorized may deem inadequate.

Article 12:
The Town voted unanimously to borrow a sum of money not to exceed seven hundred five thousand and five thousand dollars ($ 705,000.00) to be used for construction projects authorized through the

Chapter 90 Bond Issue, provided however that the town be reimbursed one hundred per cent (100%) of said sum upon project completion.

I, hereby certify that the Annual Town Meeting was duly called according to the Bylaws and the Warrant was properly posted. The Meeting convened at 7:02 pm and after the completion of the first three articles the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm to conduct the Special Town Meeting.

After completion of the Special Town Meeting, the Annual Meeting convened at 8:55 pm and upon completion of all the articles the meeting was dissolved at 9:44 pm. Moderator Richard Guertin reappointed the following individuals to the Finance Committee: Peter Fimognari, Robert Finnegan and J. Kurt Kaiser for a term to expire May 2017 and James Pennington for a term to expire May 2016.

A true copy: ATTEST

Mary F. Watson
Monson Asst. Town Clerk

			TOWN OF MONSON - CERTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATIONS							
	Date of Town Meeting:	12-May-14		Town Meeting Type:		Annual X	Special	FY15		
	Voters in Attendance				Prec. A - 39	Prec. B - 42	Prec. C - 41	Total: 122		
Art.		**Total Appropriations**	**From Tax Levy**	**From Free Cash**	**Transfer From Other Avail. Funds**	**Offset Entrep. Funds & CPA**	**Free Cash to Reduce Cash Rate**	**Borrowing**		
	The Town voted unanimously to appropriate the following sums of money necessary to defray the expenses for the fiscal period from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015									
	A power point presentation was given by Town Administrator Evan Brassard explaining the budget process and state aid process.									
	Comparisons were shown for this year's budget and previous years' budgets									
4	Omnibus									
	General Government	**1,184,646.00**								
	Purchase of Petroleum Prod.	200,000.00	200,000.00							
	Board of Selectmen									
	Staff Salaries	125,481.00	125,481.00							
	Expense	6,275.00	6,275.00							
	Finance Committee									
	Staff Salaries	3,540.00	3,540.00							
	Expense	200.00	200.00							
	F.C. Reserve Fund	30,000.00	30,000.00							
	Town Accountant									
	Staff Salaries	102,895.00	102,895.00							
	Expense	7,633.00	7,633.00							
	Audit	39,650.00	39,650.00							
	Board of Assessors									
	Staff Salaries	80,738.00	80,738.00							
	Expense	16,045.00	16,045.00							
	Revaluation	800.00			800.00	(Board of Assessors' Stabilization Fund)				
	Land Court	3,500.00	3,500.00							
	Bank Fees & Payroll	11,500.00	11,500.00							
	Treasurer									
	Staff Salaries	73,237.00	73,237.00							
	Expense	6,750.00	6,750.00							
	Town Collector									
	Staff Salaries	84,102.00	84,102.00							
	Expense	33,426.00	33,426.00							
	Law Dept. & Claims	60,000.00	60,000.00							
	Technology	1,450.00	1,450.00							
	Town Clerk									
	Staff Salaries	77,489.00	77,489.00							

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	Expense	9,050.00	9,050.00							
	Elections & Registrations									
	Staff Salaries	8,400.00	8,400.00							
	Expense	5,130.00	5,130.00							
	Conservation Comm.	3,713.00	3,713.00							
	Planning Board	2,400.00	2,400.00							
	Board of Appeals	2,675.00	2,675.00							
	Town Planner									
	Staff Salaries	47,130.00	47,130.00							
	Expense	1,050.00	1,050.00							
	Municipal Buildings									
	Staff Salaries	39,827.00	39,827.00							
	Expense	100,560.00	100,560.00							
	Public Safety	**2,125,622.00**								
	Police Department									
	Salaries	968,188.00	968,188.00							
	Operating Expenses	90,990.00	90,990.00							
	Cruiser Purchase	41,000.00	41,000.00							
	Medical Bills	500.00	500.00							
	Emergency Dispatch									
	Salaries	202,250.00	202,250.00							
	Fire Department									
	Salaries	163,819.00	163,819.00							
	Housing Operating Ex.	24,720.00	24,720.00							
	Truck Operating Ex.	21,150.00	21,150.00							
	Special Services	2,150.00	2,150.00							
	Ambulance									
	Salaries	425,759.00	77,432.00		405,035.00	Ambulance Receipts	Reserved for			
	Expenses	56,708.00					Appropriation Acct.)			
	Building Inspector									
	Salaries	76,040.00	76,040.00							
	Expense	6,580.00	6,580.00							
	Sealer of Wts & Measures	871.00	871.00							
	Emergency Management	9,373.00	9,373.00							
	Animal Control									
	Salaries	11,774.00	11,774.00							
	Expense	4,550.00	4,550.00							
	Tree Warden									
	Salaries	4,700.00	4,700.00							
	Expense	9,000.00	9,000.00							
	Forest Fire									
	Salaries	0.00	0.00							
	Expense	5,500.00	5,500.00							

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	Education	**11,474,162.00**								
	School Department	10,537,630.00	10,537,630.00							
	School Transp.	936,532.00	936,532.00							
	School Technology	0	0							
	Public Works	**1,037,536.00**								
	Highway dept.									
	Salaries	389,252.00	389,252.00							
	Private Road Acct.	2,000.00	2,000.00							
	Administration	31,165.00	31,165.00							
	Gen. Roads & Bridges	244,550.00	244,550.00							
	Down Town Streets	0.00	0.00							
	Snow & Ice	200,000.00	200,000.00							
	Emergency Repairs	10,000.00	10,000.00							
	Road Machinery Acct.	54,100.00	54,100.00							
	Street Lighting	24,500.00	24,500.00							
	Cemetery Department									
	Salaries	74,535.00	74,535.00							
	Expense	7,434.00	7,434.00							
	Human Services	**183,078.00**								
	Board of Health									
	Salaries	21,423.00	21,423.00							
	Expense	1,280.00	1,280.00							
	Council on Aging									
	Staff Salaries	119,355.00	119,355.00							
	Expense	21,020.00	21,020.00							
	Veterans Benefits	20,000.00	20,000.00							
	Library & Recreation	**406,932.00**								
	Monson Free Library	226,748.00	226,748.00							
	and Reading Room Assn.									
	An amendment was brought to the floor to change the amount of the Monson Free Library and Reading Room Assn. ammount from 226,748.00 to 279,000.00									
	The amendment failed by standing vote: YES-33 NO-71									
	Park & Recreation									
	Salaries	122,931.00	122,931.00							
	Expense	19,543.00	19,543.00							
	P&R Pool									
	Staff Salaries	9,270.00	9,270.00							
	Expense	28,000.00	28,000.00							
	Historical Commission	440.00	440.00							

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	Debt Service	**1,405,985.00**								
	Interest on Short Term Debt	15,000.00	15,000.00							
	Principal & Interest on Long Term Debt									
	Various Cap. Acquisitions	0.00	0.00							
	2013 Infrastructure & Vehicles	111,055.00	111,055.00							
	S.Main St. Brownfield	2,464.00	2,464.00							
	Ambulance Purchase	37,727.00	20,727.00		17,000.00	Ambulance Subscription Fees				
						Reserved for Appropriation Acct.)				
	Fire & Highway Vehicles	13,000.00	13,000.00							
	October 2011 Storm									
	Middle School Construction	893,475.00	78,765.00		14,710.00	(Fund BalanceReserv. For Expenditure-				
						Middle School Dept.)				
	High School Construction	227,450.00	177,077.00		50,373.00	(Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditure-				
						High School Debt)				
	Sewer Bonds	0.00	0.00							
	Water SRF Capital Projects	105,814.00	0.00			105,814.00	(Water Enterprise Revenue)			
	Unclassified	**3,954,420.00**								
	Pioneer Valley Planning									
	Commission	1,284.00	1,284.00							
	Vet's Dist. Assessments	12,851.00	12,851.00							
	Hampd. Cty Pensions	1,136,630.00	1,136,630.00							
	Health Insurance	2,170,000.00	2,170,000.00							
	Life Insurance	7,600.00	7,600.00							
	Medicare, Town Share	194,000.00	194,000.00							
	Medicaid Reimbursement	8,700.00	8,700.00							
	Annual Capital	90,000.00	55,000.00	35,000.00						
	Blanket Insurance	333,355.00	333,355.00							
	Omnibus Total:	**21,772,381.00**	**21,143,649.00**	**35,000.00**	**487,918.00**	**105,814.00**	**0.00**			
5	Stabilization Fund	50,000.00		50,000.00						
6	Pathfinder Regional	975,856.00	975,856.00							
	Vocation High School									
13	Trash Enterprise Fund									
	Staff Salaries	16,940.00				20,000.00	(Trash Enterprise Free Cash)			
	Expense	699,125.00				696,065.00	(Trash Enterprise Revenue)			
14	Sewer Enterprise Trash									
	Staff Salaries	115,798.00				485,563.00	(Sewer Enterprise Revenues)			
	Expense	36,765.00				37,000.00	(Sewer Enterprise Free Cash)			
	Maint. Of Jt. Treatment	350,000.00								

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	Plant with Palmer									
	Emergency Reserve	20,000.00								
14	Estimate Indirect Costs		<49,000.00>			49,000.00	(Sewer Enterprise Revenues)			
	for the Sewer Enterprise									
	appropriated with									
	Omnibus									
15	Water Enterprise Fund									
	Staff Salaries	171,673.00				304,743.00	(Water Enterprise Revenues)			
	Expense	170,070.00				57,000.00	(Water Enterprise Free Cash)			
	Emergency Reserve	20,000.00								
15	Estimated Indirect Costs		<75,000.00>			75,000.00	(Water Enterprise Fund)			
	for the Water Enterprise									
	appropriated within									
	Omnibus									
16	Community Preservation									
	Adminstration Expense	15,000.00				15,000.00	(FY2015 Comm. Pres. Fund)			
	Historic Resources Reserve	30,000.00				30,000.00	(FY2015 Comm. Pres. Fund)			
	Comm. Housing Reserve	30,000.00				30,000.00	(FY2015 Comm. Pres. Fund)			
	Open Space Reserve	30,000.00				30,000.00	(FY2015 Comm. Pres. Fund)			
	Budgeted Reserve	210,000.00				210,000.00	(FY2015 Comm. Pres. Fund)			
17	Purchase of Fire Engine and							400,000		
	backhoe loader									
18	October 2011 Storm Alfred	80,000.00	80,000.00							
19	Memorial Hall Repair Acct.	50,000.00				30,000.00	(CPA Historic Preservation Fund)			
						20,000.00	(CPA Budgeted Reserve Account)			
20	Hillside Cemetery Stone Wall	78,000.00				78,000.00	(CPA Budgeted Reserve Account)			
	Repair Acct.									
21	Historic Methodist Church	58,975.00				58,975.00	(CPA Budgeted Reserve Acct)			
	Acct.									
22	Water & Sewer Storage Bldg	58,500.00				58,500.00	(Sewer Enterprise Free Cash)			
	Capital Acct.									
	Grand Total:	**25,039,083.00**	**22,075,505.00**	**85,000.00**	**487,918.00**	**2,390,660.00**	**0.00**	**400,000.00**		

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	I hereby ceritify that the Annual Town Meeting held at the Granite Valley Middle School on May 12, 2014 was held in compliance with the bylaws									
	and that the warrant was properly posted. The meeting convened at 7:03 pm and upon completion of the articles, the meeting dissolved at 9:44 pm									
	A True Copy ATTEST:									
	Mary F. Watson									
	Asst. Town Clerk									