

Historic District Commission Meeting  
2017-01-19  
Town Hall, Selectmen's Room

Members present: Gretchen Schuler (presiding), Margery Baston, Alice Boelter, Marji Ford

Others present: John Moynihan and Larry Kiernan

**7:00 Public Hearing: 1 Cochituate Road - Wayland Depot. Installation of wooden guard rails in parking area and wooden rail trail fencing at Depot.**

The HDC was surprised at the height and prominence of the 3-board fencing along the rail trail in the Depot property. John explained that some of the permits that were supposed to be in place were not in place when the project began. There is a wood guardrail at the back of the Depot parking lot, by the swale. There is also a 3 board fence next to the rail trail at the back of the parking lot to keep pedestrians and bikers on the trail for safety reasons. John was looking for HDC approval for both the fencing installations (guard rail along the trail by the Depot) and pavers which will continue the rail trail across the Depot parking lot to the sidewalk and pedestrian traffic light. (The flat pavers will be edged with upright pavers.)

Referring to the 3 board fencing next to the rail trail, John explained that the height of bottom rail (or board) is about where a bike pedal would be and the middle rail (board) is where bike handle bars would be. (This board keeps handle bars from being caught on the fence posts.) It was pointed out that this part of rail trail was paid for by the Town. (The height from the bottom of the lowest board to the top of the highest board is 4 feet. The difference between the top of highest board to the top of middle board is about 1 foot.) John will go back to DCR and see if the height can be reduced to the top of the middle rail (board). There was a motion and a second to continue the hearing until March 16, at 7:35 pm. This motion received a unanimous, positive vote. (4-0-0)

Minutes of the December 15 and December 27 HDC meetings were accepted with a unanimous vote. (4-0-0)

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm in order for HDC members to join the Historical Commission's hearing on a Demolition Delay Bylaw.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margery Baston