

TOWN OF GRANBY
NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF TOWN DEPARTMENT AND ALL TOWN BOARDS
AS REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 39, SECTION 23 M.G.L.

NAME OF DEPARTMENT, BOARD OR COMMISSION & GENERAL PURPOSE OF MEETING

SELECTBOARD MEETING

DATE OF MEETING:

September 20, 2010

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: 250 State Street, Kellogg Hall

ROOM: 1

FLOOR: First

DATE OF NOTICE:

9-16-10

Wayne H. Tack, Sr. Chair
CLERK OF BOARD/ OR BOARD MEMBER *(ca)*

09-16-10P01:12 RCVD

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- Keep a copy for your Records.

LISTINGS OF TOPICS

Please check if Action will be taken or Information

	<u>Action</u>	<u>Information</u>
1. CALL TO ORDER	<u>X</u>	
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	<u>X</u>	
3. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION		<u>X</u>
4. OLD BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
5. REPORT OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
6. APPOINTMENTS:	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
Granby Cultural Council Affirm Appointments		
Pole Hearing # 9145261-Kendall Street		
Evelyn Slater-Aldrich Hall		
Paul Beaulieu-Kestrel Trust		
1-Day Liquor License Application		
7. ACCEPT AND SIGN MINUTES:	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
8. NEW BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
Accept Departmental Reports		
Approve and Sign Maintenance Warrants		
Sign Special Town Meeting Warrant		
Proclamation-Constitution Week		
Public Notice: MDAR-considering Acquisition of Land	-148 Pleasant St	
Public Notice: DCR-considering Acquisition of Land-off and generally parallel to the easterly side of Route 116		
Waiver of 120-day notice- off and generally parallel to the easterly side of Route 116		
9. ADJOURNMENT	<u>X</u>	

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS



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August 17 2010

Board of Selectmen
Town of Granby
250 State Street
Granby, MA 01033

RE: Assessor Map 5A, Lots 1 and 2 – 148 Pleasant Street

Dear Council:

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 7, Section 40I requires that the Department of Agricultural Resources (DAR) notify the local City Council/Board of Selectmen of the State's intent to purchase, rent, sell or significantly change the use of one or more acres of real estate in a municipality.

Pursuant to that Section, we wish to inform you that the DAR is considering acquiring an interest in approximately 116 acres of land within the municipality of Granby for inclusion in the Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) Program as an Agricultural Preservation Restriction.

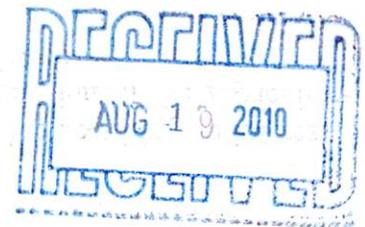
The property in question, which is currently used for agricultural purposes, is privately owned and will remain so if it becomes a participant in the APR Program. The development rights would be acquired to secure the preservation of the land for agricultural purposes as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 20, Sections 23 through 26 and Chapter 184, Sections 31, 32, and 33.

Section 40I also requires that this proposal be made public in a local forum. We request that you announce that we are considering the above purchase for the stated purpose at your next regularly scheduled City Council/Board of Selectmen meeting. The Council/Board need not take any formal action concerning the proposed acquisition as the announcement is for information purposes only. Please complete and return the enclosed form after your meeting has been held so that we may document your announcement.

If you or any resident have a questions regarding this proposed acquisition, please feel free to contact me at (617) 626-1718. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Carol A. Szocik
Legal Assistant



cc: Senator Candaras, Representative Story, Hampshire Council of Governments, Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, DCAM



September 8, 2010



Mary A. McDowell, Chair
Granby Board of Selectmen
250 State Street
Granby, MA 01033

Dear Ms. McDowell:

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is considering the acquisition of land located in the Town of Granby. The property in which DCR is currently interested is located off and generally parallel to the easterly side of Route 116, and is adjacent to or (in sections) surrounded by land owned by DCR at Mt. Holyoke Range State Park. The property was once part of an historic trolley line corridor between Amherst and Holyoke, and is now privately owned and used as a foot trail. The corridor runs from the Boy Scout Camp near Aldrich Lake to The Notch near Bare Mountain for a distance of approximately 1.3 miles, and varies in width from 25 feet to 100 feet. The location of the property is shown on a locus map enclosed with this letter as Exhibit A, which is presented for your information. If acquired by DCR, the land would be incorporated in the state park system as a part of the Mt. Holyoke Range State Park and made available for use as a public pedestrian recreation trail.

State regulations at 301 CMR 50.00, *et seq.*, require a state agency to take certain steps prior to purchasing land. One is to provide this notification to the Board of Selectmen and certain other public officials at least 120 days prior to the acquisition. Another is, at least 60 days prior to the acquisition, to have a public announcement made in the affected municipality regarding the agency's proposed action. On these two matters, the Department seeks the Board's assistance.

The Department would like to purchase the land prior to the end of the calendar year, which would be possible but for the 120 day prior notice requirement. The Department therefore asks the Board of Selectmen to agree to shorten the 120 day waiting period so that DCR can proceed to a closing as soon as possible. (Pursuant to the regulations, DCR cannot close less than 60 days after the public announcement.) The Department also requests that the Board announce that the Department is considering this acquisition, for the above-stated purposes, at the Board's next regularly scheduled meeting. On the assumption that the Board will agree to the Department's requests, we have enclosed forms to document your approval of the waiver and the announcement, as well as a self-addressed envelope for your convenience in returning the forms to us.

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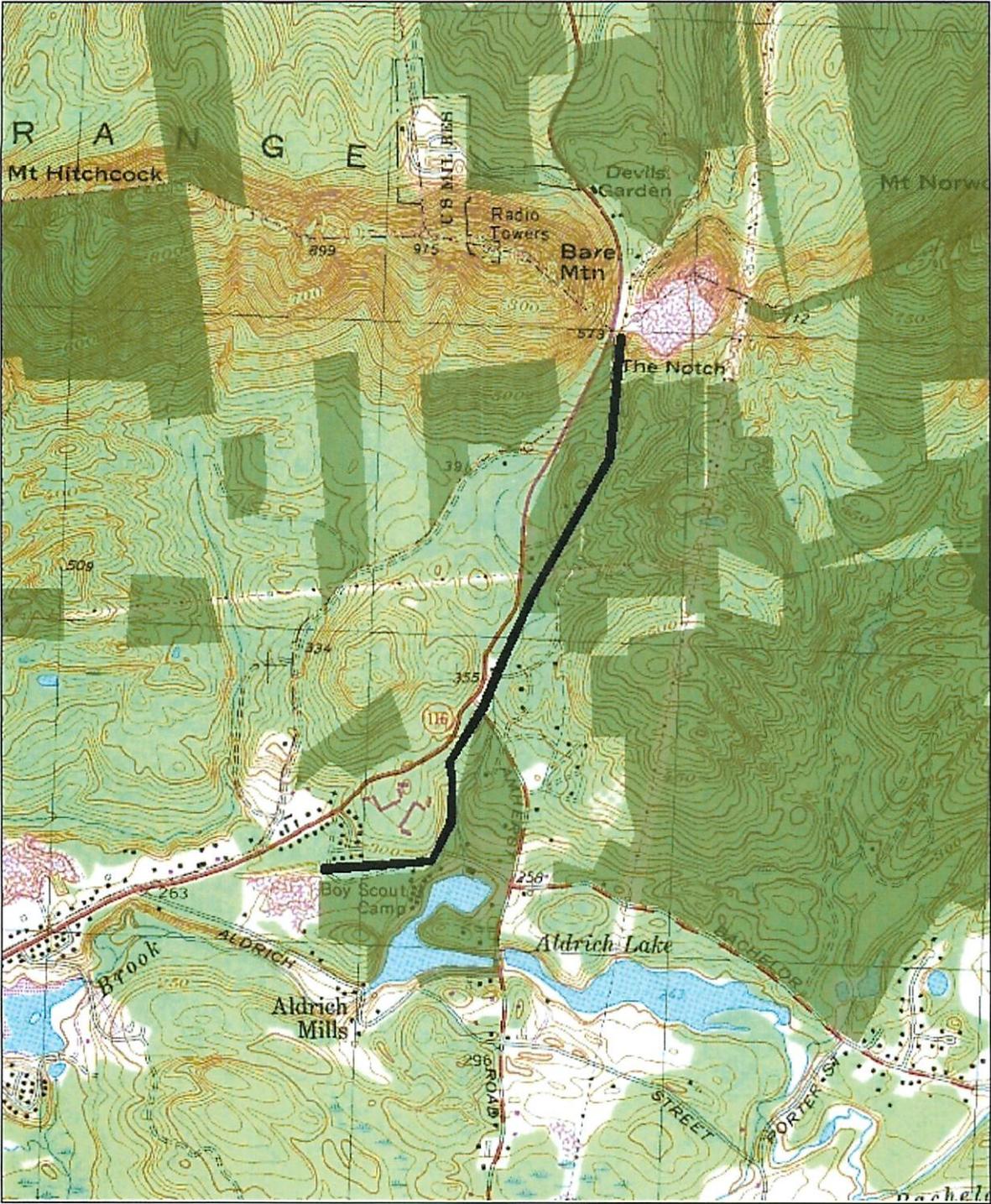
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Department of Conservation & Recreation

Exhibit A



Boundary Lines Approximate



Subject Parcel



DCR State Park

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