

**Town of Barnstable**  
**Old King's Highway Historic District Committee**  
**APPROVED MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, July 12, 2018, 6:30pm**

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To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Old King's Highway Historic District Act under Section 9 of Chapter 470, Acts of 1973 as amended. Chapter 61 of the Acts of 1992; An Act Designating State Highway Route 6A as a Scenic Road, MGL Ch. 40 Section 15C, Designation and Improvement of Scenic Roads, MGL Ch. 87, Shade Tree & Barnstable Town Ordinance Ch. 180 Scenic Roads. You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held on the following application. You are hereby notified that a hearing was held at the Barnstable Town Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor hearing room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis on the following application:

Paul Richard, Chair	Present
Carrie Bearse, Clerk	Present
George Jessop, AIA	Present
David Munsell Jr.	Present
Lesley Wallace	Present
Polly Brazelton, Alternate	Absent

A quorum being met, Chair Richard called the hearing to order at 6:30 pm. The Chair explained the hearing and appeal process and invited the public to address the Committee and view the plans of interest when the application is called.

**APPLICATIONS**

**Eversource Energy**

Removal of 76 Trees within the Main Street/Route 6A right-of-way. Trees to be removed are located immediately adjacent to the following properties (one tree per address unless otherwise noted):

**4441 Main Street**, Map 356, Parcel 002(3 Trees); **4429 Main Street**, Map 356, Parcel 001(7 Trees); **4084 Main Street**, Map 336, Parcel 051; **3990 Main Street**, Map 336, Parcel 039; **3826 Main Street**, Map 335, Parcel 018(2 Trees); **3775 Main Street**, Map 335, Parcel 013-001; **3688 Main Street**, Map 317, Parcel 024(6 Trees); **3512 Main Street**, Map 317, Parcel 091-CND (10 Trees); **3400 Main Street**, Map 299, Parcel 092(2 Trees); **3135 Main Street**, Map 278, Parcel 008 (2 Trees); **2955 Main Street**, Map 279, Parcel 046; **2875 Main Street**, Map 279, Parcel 072; **2745 Main Street**, Map 258, Parcel 030; **2730 Main Street**, Map 258, Parcel 062 (2 Trees); **2724 Main Street**, Map 258, Parcel 024; **2681 Main Street**, Map 258, Parcel 042(2 Trees); **2631 Main Street**, Map 258, Parcel 045; **2615 Main Street**, Map 258, Parcel 047-001; **2509 Main Street**, Map 257, Parcel 015 (2 Trees); **40 Aunt Hatch Lane**, Map 257, Parcel 011; **2400 Main Street**, Map 237, Parcel 025; **2338 Main Street**, Map 237, Parcel 019; **2159 Main Street**, Map 237, Parcel 040 (2 Trees); **2150 Main Street**, Map 237, Parcel 007; **Between 2026 Main Street**, Map 217, Parcel 018 and **2040 Main Street**, Map 217, Parcel 019-W00; **1970 Main Street**, Map 217, Parcel 014; **1820 Main Street**, Map 217, Parcel 033(7 Trees); **741 Main Street**, Map 156, Parcel 062; **591 Main Street**, Map 133, Parcel 056(2 Trees); **0 Main Street**, Map 133, Parcel 017(3 Trees); **300 Main Street**, Map 134, Parcel 009-002; **280 Main Street**, Map 134, Parcel 009-001(2 Trees); **240 Main Street**, Map 134, Parcel 008(3 Trees); **185 Main Street**, Map 111, Parcel 026; **194 Main Street**, Map 134, Parcel 024.

Represented by: Paul Sellers, Eversource Energy & Kyle Barry, Eversource Energy

Public comment: See body of minutes

Sellers advises that The Town of Barnstable Department of Public Works contacted Eversource and advised that a resident has hired an independent arborist to review the schedule of trees to be removed. There is a plan in place for the Town of Barnstable's Tree Warden, Eversource Energy's Arborist, and the Tree committee's volunteer arborist to review the trees to be removed.



Sellers advises that Eversource Energy is asking for a continuance to go out in the field and to present a revised list to the Old King's Highway Historic District Committee.

Chair Richard confirms that the continued hearing will be held on August 29<sup>th</sup> at the regularly scheduled hearing at the West Barnstable Community Building.

**Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse seconded by Lesley Wallace to Continue the Application Rt. 6A Scenic Road Application for removal of Trees (Exhibit A) for Eversource Energy for 76 trees on in the 6A/Main Street right-of-way, to the August 29, 2018 Hearing at the regularly schedule location [2377 Meetinghouse Way, West Barnstable].**

**So Voted: Aye, Unanimous**

Chair Richard reads the list of abutters who's letters were received prior to the hearing (**Exhibit B**). He further advises that the letters are available for viewing at the 200 Main Street, Hyannis, offices.

Public Comment:

Ann Canedy reads part of her letter into record (**Exhibit C**). She advises that Certified Arborist, Ed Robinson has inspected the trees and his assessment was only regarding the health of the trees. She adds that she would like to see Eversource remove the tree stumps.

Lou Anne Conroy is opposed to the removal of all the trees on the schedule and hopes that the Committee will consider saving some of the trees. She also expresses her desire for Eversource Energy to plant trees and properly care for them.

Keith Carvounis is opposed to the removal of all 76 trees and feels that selective pruning will suffice. He is also in support of burying the lines.

Mary Ann Agresti is opposed to the removal of the trees and suggests burying the lines underground.

Abigail Bishop is opposed to the removal of the trees as doing so will change the look of the road.

Ted Houseman is in favor of maintenance though he does not feel that all 76 trees should be removed. The trees are part of the charm. He would like to see a replanting and stumping plan.

Jane Boyle is opposed to the removal of the trees as doing so will take away the beauty and protection they afford. She would like to see a plan to remove the stumps.

Town Councilor, John Flores advises that he is working on a special legislation that will expand/amend the current legislation. Said Expands OKH jurisdiction (see exhibit E). He continues by explain that there will be further review of the trees to be removed. The following entities will work together to review the trees again - Eversource arborist, Town of Barnstable arborist, State arborist, and a neutral arborist have agreed to have four arb

There is discussion between Chair Richard and John Flores regarding proceeding on this application.

Ranim Accetta is opposed to removal of all the trees.

Helen Silver is opposed to the removal of the trees; specifically the tree nearest 2875 Main. Ms. Silver provides a photo of the tree.

Jeff Beausang's property abuts the tree located at 2875 Main Street; it is his opinion that if the tree is diseased he would like it removed.

Dierdra Detjens wants to know why people are not talking about the safety. It is her opinion that the trees help minimize traffic and speed.

Ina Clayman is opposed to removing the trees.

Larry Mulaire would like to see a replanting plan.

Tom Silver is opposed to removal of the tree at 2875 Main Street. He would like to know if a determination would be made if a tree may have to come down eventually.

Chair Richard discusses future tree removal with Tom Silver.

Bearse addresses Tom Silver regarding the tree at 2875 Main Street saved.

Kate Schelter speaks to the competency of Ed Robinson. She is opposed to the removal of the trees.

Erla Beausang questions responsible for the removal of the tree at 2875 Main Street. She is in favor of removing this specific tree if it is a concern.

Kathy DiAngelis is opposed to removal of the trees.

Jessica Riley-Norton is opposed to removal of the trees.

Albert Barbour is opposed to the removal of the trees as he feels they cut down on [road] speed and noise, as well as they protect the rising of the water table.

Sarah Mezel is opposed to the trees and inquires on the cost benefit analysis of putting the lines under ground.

Bearse responds to Mezel advising the cost effectiveness is not within the purview of OKH.

Councilor Flores addresses the room and comments that cost is not economical.

Carol Rizzoli would like to see pruning and a replanting plan.

Kyla Alan is opposed to removal of the trees.

Toby Kalman is opposed to removing the trees.

Craig Schelter is in favor of Ed Robinson reviewing the trees to be removed. Mr. Schelter feels that the tree at 2885 Main Street should be removed as he feels the root system is a hazard to people.

Claire Haworth is opposed to the removal of the tree on or near 2955 Main.

Bridget Burger is opposed to the removal of all the trees though she is in support of the arborists' decisions.

David Chase inquires if OKH can recommend a replanting plan.

With no other members of the public approaching the board, Chair Richard closed the public hearing.

Chair Richard reminds the room that the August 29<sup>th</sup> hearing will be at 6:30pm at 2377 Meetinghouse Way (Rt 149), West Barnstable.

**Having no further business before this Committee, motion to adjourn is moved by Carrie Bearse, seconded by George Jessop at 7:52pm**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Erin K. Logan

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Exhibit A      Rt 6A Scenic Roads Application for Removal of Tree (s) and/or Stone Wall (s)