

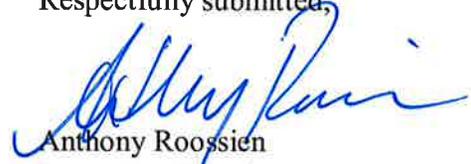
Nahant Planning Board
Minutes of Public Hearing Held March 4, 2014
Re: Sidewalk by-law

Pursuant to posted notice attached, a meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm by Mr. Hastings.

Present were: Richard Snyder, Cal Hastings, Carl Easton, Sheila Hambleton, Thom Donahue, Tony Roossien.

1. Sheila Hambleton read the Public Hearing posting (see attached).
2. William Burton of 296 Nahant Road who submitted the proposed amendment to the sidewalk by-law (see attached) explained his position in favor of a by-law that keeps sidewalks clear of vegetation.
3. Richard Snyder read letters in favor of the by-law amendment from :
 1. Helen and Mary Liz Court of 1 Maolis Road
 2. Heather and Jason Goodwin of Breezyhill Terrace & Kerry Collins
4. Vi Patek spoke in favor a by-law amendment for keeping sidewalks clear.
5. Larry Titus of 230 Nahant Road spoke in favor of an amendment.
6. Nancy Wilson of 106 Pond spoke in favor of an amendment.
7. There were none opposed to an amendment.
8. Cal Hastings asked Selectman Mike Manning if anything could be done short of a by-law amendment. Mr. Manning suggested that somethings could be done. Mr Hasting asked why hasn't anything been done? Mr. Manning said that no letters had been sent to the Board of Selectman regarding this issue.
9. Mr. Snyder read an email from Lissa Keane of Ocean Street in favor of amendment.
10. Sheila Hambleton referred to Tree Warden by-law. Mrs. Hambleton asked Mr. Manning if this person could be in charge of this issue. Mr Manning said no, the Tree Warden is a state position, not a town position.
11. The meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Anthony Roossien
Recording Secretary

February 11, 2014

Town of Nahant
Planning Board
334 Nahant Rd
Nahant, MA 01908

To:

RE: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND THE ZONING BYLAWS WITH REGARDS TO MAINTIANING CLEAR SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held by the Nahant Planning Board at the Town Hall in the Planning Room located in the basement, 334 Nahant Rd, Nahant, MA., on Tuesday evening March 4, 2014 at 8:00pm to consider amending the current zoning bylaws regarding maintenance of sidewalks and other public access areas in a clear and unobstructed manner free of various types of vegetation and to make any desired recommendations with respect thereto.

Richard J Snyder, Chairman, Planning Board

Daily Item/ Legal Notice: February 14 and February 25, 2014



Proposal for amendment to the Town of Nahant Zoning Bylaws

Proposed by: William A. Burton, 296 Nahant Rd.

Amendment to Section 5, with the addition of article 5.02K:

K. Abutters shall trim the branches of trees, hedges, bushes or other shrubbery which encroaches from the abutting property over a street or sidewalk so as to prevent such tree, hedge, bush or other shrubbery:

- (1) from interfering with pedestrian traffic on a sidewalk;**
- (2) from interfering with or affecting the sight lines of any person on a bicycle or in a motor vehicle traveling on the roadway up to a minimum height of 7 feet**

Proposed additional definitions to be added to Section 2.02

Abutter: The owner, lessee or occupier of any premises or lot in Nahant which abuts a Nahant street.

Sidewalk: A paved pedestrian path located next to a Nahant Town road.