

CONTOOCOOK RIVERWAY ASSOCIATION

*Historic Boston & Maine
Railroad Depot & Museum*



WHO WE ARE

501(c)3 Non-Profit established in 1999

\$400k restoration project

Railroad Depot, Covered Bridge, Riverway Park

1907 Passenger Coach

Contoocook & Hopkinton Visitor Center

OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Brian Erickson, President - Joined 2014

Mark Winzeler, Vice President - Founding member, 1999

Keith Wallace, Treasurer - Joined 2009

Dottie Brown, Secretary - Joined 2014

Steve Lux, Jr. - Joined 2010

Jake Martin - Joined 2016

Fred Nystrom - Joined 2017

Linda Ogden - Joined 2014

Our Mission

The mission of the Contoocook Riverway Association is to restore and maintain the Contoocook train depot and its property for the education and enjoyment of the community and its visitors.

THE SECTION HOUSE



- Likely built in 1890's
- Track Maintenance Building
- Served Boston & Maine Railroad until 1962



- One of several section houses that existed
- Last remaining railroad building available for acquisition in Hopkinton

OVERALL PLAN



- Acquire from TDS
 - Ready to move due to subdivision of property
- Move to Favorable Location
 - Local company willing to move the building
- Restore and maintain
 - Match color scheme of depot, roofing in near future
- Utilize as workshop & museum expansion
 - Tool storage, workshop items, and serve as additional museum space with ability to “show” track work being done

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

- Focused on 3 location options:
 - On CRA property (parking lot)
 - Behind TD Bank near Houston Farm
 - Behind passenger car in park



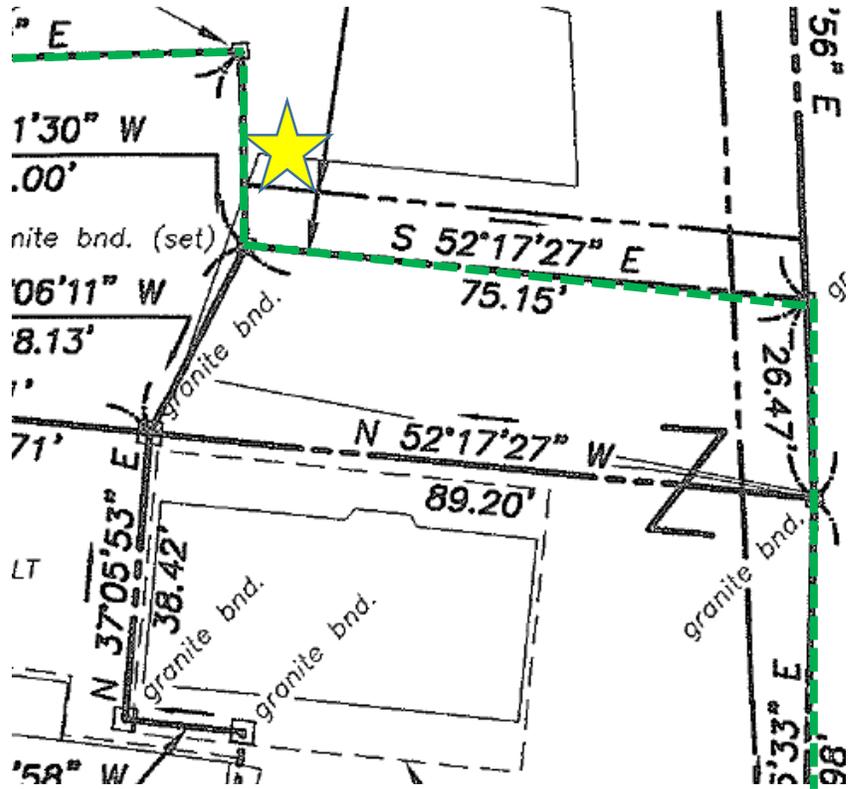
LOCATION CONSIDERATIONS

- Current location
 - Pros: Original location, historically accurate
 - Cons: TDS needs removed
- Depot Parking Lot
 - Pros: Functional, somewhat historically accurate
 - Cons: Lost parking, sewer lines, lost sightline of coach
- Behind TD Bank
 - Pros: Historically accurate, will not affect parking, serves minimal functionality
 - Cons: Out of sight, not functional for museum, lacks public awareness, higher cost to land prep, possibility of vandalism, no way to add security monitoring

FAVORED LOCATION

- Behind Passenger Coach in Riverway Park
 - Cons: ??
 - Pros: Historically accurate, visually appealing, maximum functionality, tighten right-of-way, clean-up park during project, no interference with proposed boat launch, better definition of parking area, no elimination to parking, enhance railroad theme of area, ability to securely monitor





NEXT STEPS

- Establish exact location with Select Board, Town Administrator
- Prepare property – regrade slightly to make level, set wooden bridge timbers
- Building to be lifted by contractor and transported to new location
- Set building on timbers and secured via lag bolts
- Painting to match depot, passenger coach, and bridge
- Park area work to begin – loam, seeding, barriers for ROW, parking

BELOW THE STATION. CONTDODOOK, N.H.
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WHAT WE NEED



- Signed agreement with Select Board on location, timeframe, scope
- Provide stone barriers for placement along right-of-way - Highway Dept.
- Guidance on park work to be done – Rec Dept, Town Admin, SB