

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL

re: follow-up to Bridge Advisory Committee studies

I - Pursue an *Improvements Plan for the Railroad Street Corridor* and determine a process for its development

A - The Goal of such a plan would be to enhance the identity and integrity of this significant border area and the traditional entrance of the Town

B - The plan should include the length of Railroad Street from the Diamond Avenue Intersection to Aitcheson Crossing, with special attention to the Train Station area and its history

C - Elements of such a plan have been conceptualized by the Bridge Advisory Committee. We recommend these be a starting point for further concepts for a plan's development and eventual implementation

II - As follow-up to issues raised at the October 2013 Special Town Meeting:

A - Implement a study on train noise within the next 12 months as Town developed base data for future use as double stack trains become fully operational through this corridor

B - Request a time-table from CSX for repair and/or rebuilding of the grade crossing

C - Review current safety concerns along Railroad Street. Consider solutions such as changes to entrance/exit patterns at the Post Office, Hickory and Grove and possible effects on Oak, Center and McCauley Streets