



Victoria F. Sheehan
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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



William Cass, P.E.
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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Bureau of Rail & Transit
November 21, 2019

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 4:40 and 228:67 authorize the Department of Transportation to sell a 20,230 square foot (0.48 acre +/-) parcel of State-owned land located on the Ashuelot Railroad Corridor in the Town of Winchester to Robert Jalbert for \$6,500.00 and the one-time administrative fee of \$1,100.00, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval.

It has been determined by the Division of Finance that this parcel was originally purchased with 80% Federal Funds and 20% General Funds. Sale income and the one-time administrative fee will be credited as follows:

04-096-096-960015-0096-UUU-402156 Administrative Fee	<u>FY 2020</u> \$1,100.00
04-096-096-964010-2991-403532 Railroad Property Sale (20% of \$6,500)	<u>FY 2020</u> \$1,300.00
04-096-096-963515-3054-401771 Consolidated Federal Aid (80% of \$6,500)	<u>FY 2020</u> \$5,200.00

EXPLANATION

The Department of Transportation received an inquiry from Robert Jalbert owner of the former Ashuelot Railroad Station and whose property abuts the State-owned Ashuelot Railroad Corridor in the Town of Winchester. Mr. Jalbert requested to acquire a portion of railroad property, approximately half an acre, on which the Railroad Station is located and to manage access to his adjacent property. The Department reviewed the request and determined that the subject parcel is ancillary to the State's needs, and would not impact current trail use or future rail use on this abandoned railroad corridor, and was thus amenable to the disposition.

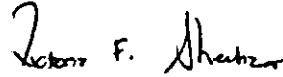
RSA 228:67 allows the Department to sell portions of a railroad corridor no longer needed by the State to political subdivisions of the State for public uses and if none want such properties, the Commissioner

may sell them in accordance with RSA 4:40. The Town of Winchester expressed no interest in the subject parcel therefore the Department proposes to sell the parcel to Robert Jalbert.

The Long Range Capital Planning and Utilization Committee approved the sale on September 10, 2019.

Authorization is requested to sell the parcel of land as described to an abutter as outlined above.

Sincerely,



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Attachments



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September 10, 2019

Shelley Winters, Administrator
Department of Transportation
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Dear Ms. Winters,

The Long Range Capital Planning and Utilization Committee, pursuant to the provisions of RSA 4:40 and RSA 228:67, on September 10, 2019, approved the request of the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Rail and Transit, to sell an approximately 0.48 acre (20,230 square feet) parcel on the State-owned Ashuelot Branch Railroad Corridor in the Town of Winchester to Robert Jalbert for a total of \$6,500 and a one-time Administrative Fee of \$1,100, of which the Department is in receipt of \$500, subject to the conditions as specified in the request dated June 25, 2019.

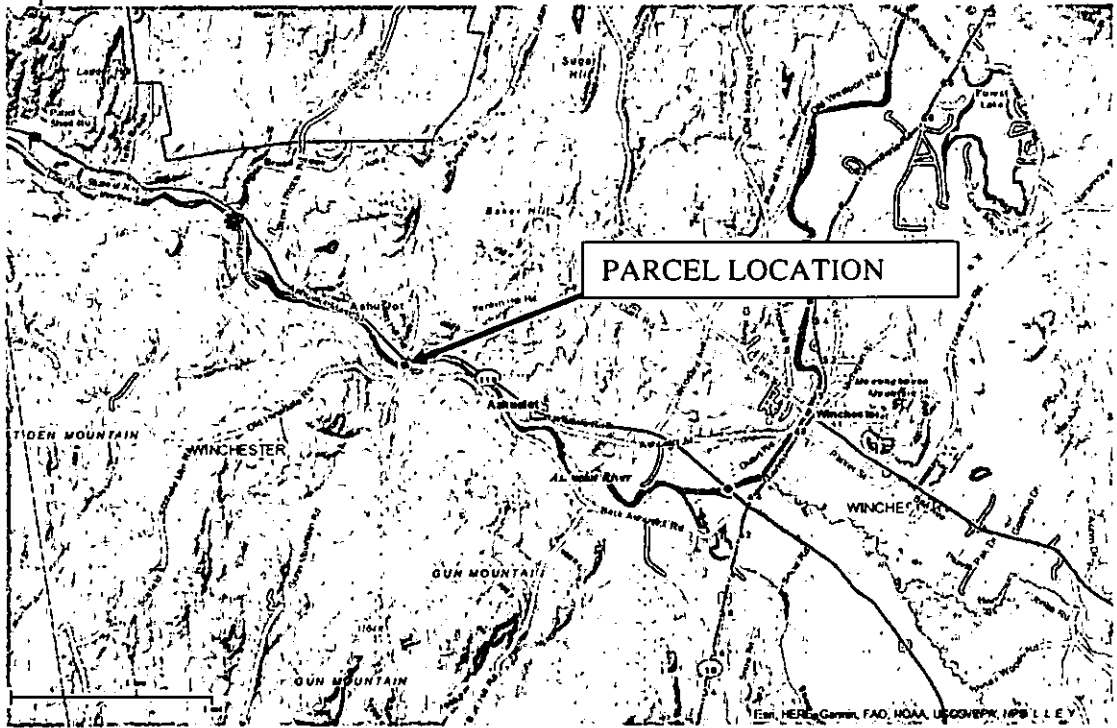
Sincerely,

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Attachment

Cc: Louis Barker, Rail and Transit, Dept. of Transportation ✓

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