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Letter

Work begins on Lynnfield rail trail

To the editor:

Engineering and design preliminary paperwork has been completed so the wetland flagging and soil stability boring is commencing along the abandoned railbed. The engineering team is starting by accessing the tracks from Foster's Lane and continuing under Route 128/95 and on into Reedy Meadow.

This is the start of work on the proposed rail trail. It has taken a decade to get here and will be more years in the making. But for those of us who have been waiting for this project to get underway this is a big step in the right direction. There will be

more public meetings called by the engineering team as an integral part of the process towards completion of the engineering and design phase. The meetings will be posted in the newspaper because community feedback is needed to complete the design of the trail. Please attend these meetings when they are announced. We need your input.

You can also check things out on the Facebook page Wakefield/Lynnfield MA - Rail Trail Initiative.

*Dot Halpin
Wakefield Rail to Trail Committee*

Resident concerned about rail trail

To the Editor,

I have been a resident here in Lynnfield for more than thirty years. In her recent letter to this paper, Jill Giugliano brought up important concerns about the Lynnfield Rail Trail proposal that would convert the old railroad tracks running through the town into a bike and walking trail. Many residents share these concerns. Many residents worry that the trail will increase crime and lead to higher taxes.

I care very much about Lynnfield and I hope that before we make up our minds about this proposal, we all think carefully about both its costs and benefits. This is an important decision.

If it is going to have a particularly negative impact on residents living close to the paths, then we have to consider their concerns in particular. Let's think about all of our residents and about how our decisions will change Lynnfield.

*Tony Addonizio
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