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A preliminary design concept for the Route 2A Improvement Project (Brooks Rd/Lexington Rd)

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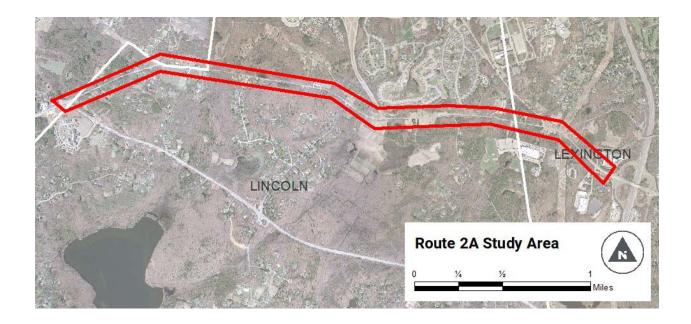
Route 2A Improvement Project - Preliminary Designs Released, MassDOT Wants our Input! (see Route 2A Project below)

North Lincoln's Bob Domnitz Elected to Planning Board (see Town Election below)

McLean Hospital Project on Bypass Road – Current Status (see McLean Hospital below)

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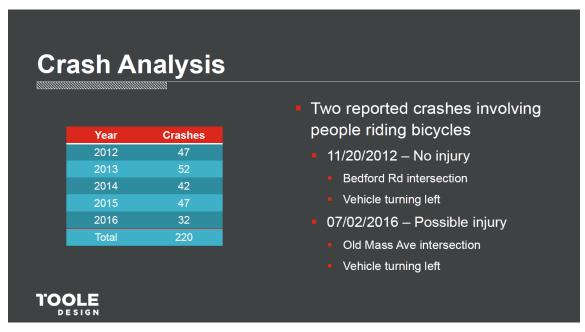
Route 2A Project



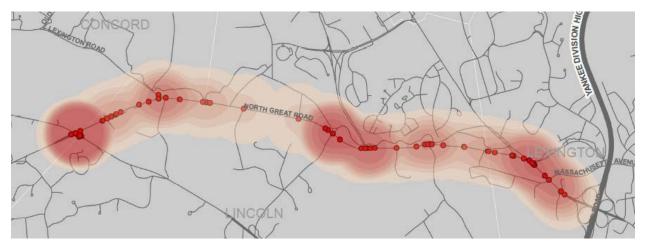
A repaving project for Route 2A has been expanded to include the potential for numerous improvements to enhance safety and convenience for residents and travelers. The MassDOT Highway Division (MHD) hosted a meeting in late October at which consultants presented preliminary concepts, including redesigned intersections, crosswalks, and islands to "calm" traffic and provide refuge for pedestrians.

Every intersection along Route 2A has been studied. Lincoln residents are encouraged to view the entire set of preliminary concepts here. MHD and their consultant would like to hear your thoughts and suggestions. Northside News editor Bob Domnitz, who is also our new Planning Member from North Lincoln, has volunteered to collect your comments and forward them to MHD. Please send your emails to northsidenewseditors@gmail.com.

The tentative schedule for the project has the designs 75% complete by September 2021, and 100% complete in 2022. Construction is slated to begin in 2023 and finish in 2024. Lincoln has several committees that will provide input to the design process: the Roadway & Traffic Committee, and the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee. Minute Man National Historical Park and the regional Battle Road Scenic Byway Committee will also be providing input to the project.

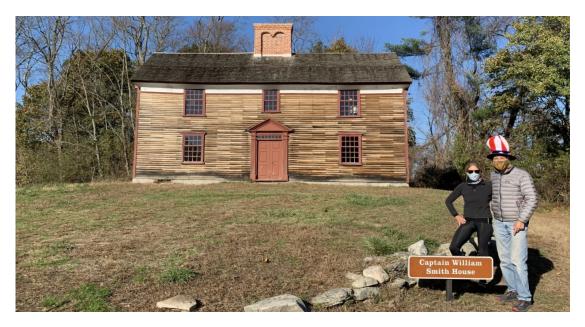


Historical accident data for Route 2A in Lincoln



Recent pattern of accidents along Route 2A in Lincoln

Town Election



Carolyn McQueen and Bob Domnitz celebrate the end of the election season, 11/4/2020

Lincoln's town election was held on June 15th after several delays related to the pandemic. Planning Board was the only contested race in the election, with two seats to be filled. Mill Street resident Bob Domnitz took on two incumbents, Lynn DeLisi and Rick Rundell who were seeking reelection. Voter turnout was, under the circumstances, extraordinary. Over 800 voters turned out, either by mail or in-person. Election campaigns in Lincoln normally heat up during the month before the election. In this case, because of the election delays, the exhausting campaigns went on for four months. The election results are shown below, with Bob and Lynn winning hard-fought victories. North Lincoln's turnout (in Precinct 2) helped propel Bob over the finish line.

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Total
Lynn Delisi	328	145	473
Bob Domnitz	273	186	459
Rick Rundell	287	125	412

McLean Hospital





Residences purchased by McLean Hospital at 16 and 22 Bypass Road

McLean Hospital Moves Toward Staffing New Facility on Bypass Road

Following a contentious process which resulted in an unfavorable <u>decision</u> from the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court for affected Lincoln residents, McLean Hospital appears to be moving forward with its plans to open a residential facility for adolescent males in North Lincoln.

Although the Lincoln Building Commissioner, Mark Robidoux, reports that he has yet to receive an application for an occupancy permit, McLean has posted at least three online job positions for the Lincoln program. The postings are for a Community Residence Counselor, a Clinical Educator Specialist and a Shift Coordinator—all are full-time roles for the Boys Adolescent Program.

Neighbors of the project who vehemently opposed siting the residential treatment project for young males in their neighborhood have yet to see any sign of activity on the property with the exception of occasional lawn maintenance. None of the required trees or fencing have been installed.

Complete history of the McLean Hospital project is available in the archives of Northside News, available at <u>lincolnnorth.org</u>.

Northside News is a community based newsletter designed to foster communication and advocacy for the residents of North Lincoln.

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