

Route 3A Task Force  
Town of Hingham

Meeting Minutes  
Wed., Jan. 14, 2026

Attending: 3A TF members Deirdre Anderson, Bryce Blair, Paul Healey, Alan Perrault, and chair Judy Sneath. Joined by engineers JR Frey and Matt Mui for the Town and Eric Carlson for GM2. Also attending - HPD Sgt. Jeff Kilroy.

1. Meeting started 7:02PM with chair reading the prerequisite notice regarding the State's Open Meeting Law and its governance of remotely-held meetings.
2. VOTE to approve the minute of the Dec. 10, 2025 meeting.
3. Update from Eric Carlson on the Dec. 28, 2025 submission of 100 percent design documents to MassDOT. Task force members congratulated the engineering team on this key milestone.

Design now under 45-day review, guided by MassDOT project manager Janhavi Limaye. GM2 and Town engineers are in conversations for:

- Environmental permitting
  - Wetland mitigation
  - Right of Way plans and related takings and easements
  - Coordination with Hingham's wharfs/resiliency project
4. VOTE to support a warrant article for Annual Town Meeting 2026 allowing the Select Board to move forward with proposed Article 97 land use legislation at the State level. GM2 will work to finalize Right of Way plan by March 20<sup>th</sup> to support this effort – an essential milestone towards project construction.
  5. Discussion of a communications plan for construction affecting route 3A. Although other projects along the roadway will begin this year, the improvement project construction expected to begin August 2027 and continue for 30 months.

JR Frey would put key pieces in place by this summer; begin testing efficacy of sharing information via:

- a. Route 3A construction page on Town website (see FishersIN.gov and NaplesFL pages for example weekly updates)
  - b. My Hingham app
  - c. Town's email lists
- Alan, Judy, Deirdre will meet with JR to discuss overall plan, timing, and capacity.

6. Discussion of additional project elements:

- a. Nonparticipating expenses. MassDOT will flag these as part of the 45-day review. Options for including those in wharf resiliency project or in an application to CPC.
  - b. Concern for excessive signage along the corridor. JR and Bryce will review signs remaining at Otis/3a turn off after recent project completed – as a guide to future designs. Eric also reviewing each sign with MassDOT.
  - c. Story boards. Eric will ask Copley Wolff to produce aerial drawings/images of the project for socialization.
7. Next 3A TF meeting scheduled for Tues., February 24 at 7pm. Communications meeting will be scheduled prior to that.
8. Meeting adjourned at 8:22PM