

Statement Regarding Postponed Hearing in Land Court, 11/3/2020:

In response to a request from the Defendants, the Town of Hopedale agreed to postpone the hearing on Hopedale's Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction in the Land Court to a later date. Counsel for the Defendants, Don Keavany, Esq., was recently retained by the One Hundred Forty Realty Trust and the Grafton & Upton Railroad Company and has requested additional time to prepare for the hearing. As a condition of the request to postpone the hearing, the Defendants agreed they would not remove any trees or act in violation of the forest management plan for the land at 364 West Street that has been classified as forest land under Chapter 61, and would not perform any acts that would transfer title to the land from the One Hundred Forty Realty Trust. The Land Court agreed to postpone the hearing. It is now scheduled for Monday, November 23, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.