LOWELL/CENTRAL STREET LOT LINE <u>Relocation</u> Subdivision Application SB #07-20 Staff Report

SITE: 73 Central Street, Map 182 Lot 218

ZONING: Business (B)

PURPOSE OF PLANS: to adjust the lot line on the corner of Central Street and Lowell Road.

PLANS UNDER REVIEW: Lot Line Adjustment Plan lands of State of New Hampshire; prepared by: Keach-Nordstrom Associates, Inc., 10 Commerce Park North, Suite 3B, Bedford, NH 03110; prepared for: State of New Hampshire, PO Box 483, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH, 03302; consisting of 1 sheet and notes 1-11 on Sheet 1, dated August 10, 2020.

ATTACHMENTS:

A. Chronological Sketch

APPLICATION TRACKING:

- March 3, 2020 Application received.
- August 11, 2020 Revised site plan received.
- August 19, 2020 Public hearing scheduled.

COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

The subject parcels are located at the intersection of Lowell Road and Central Street. In 1880, the two parcels included an "old cut-over" roadway that ran parallel with Central Street. Then in 1920, a railroad ROW was then established upon the old cut-over location. A realignment of Central Street in the last 1940s further altered the area layout and left a less than ideal lot configuration. The applicant was asked to provide a chronological sketch to illustrate the various changes, see **Attachment A**.

Lot 218 currently hosts Hammond Park, a memorial dedicated to Firefighters, named after Mr. Leon Hammond. The site allows for pedestrian access only and is mainly comprised of the memorial, a sign, landscaping, and grassy areas. This application proposes to adjust the lot line to encompass the memorial and to be deeded to the Town.

Previously, there had been discussions of relocating the memorial in the event this corner was developed. In discussion with the Board of Selectmen, the Town Planner suggested that the memorial provides a civic presence to this highly visible corner, which, in his opinion benefits pride within our community and would prefer it be preserved in its current location. With the

SB #07-20 Staff Report Page 1 of 2 Board in agreement, the Town Planner then asked the applicant to also provide a restrictive easement on Lot 218-1 that surrounds the memorial lot to further preserve the integrity of Hammond Park.

Additionally, it is recommended that a view easement be requested on the foreground of Hammond Park. Such an easement from DOT would protect the memorial from obstructions like signage and equipment.

When DOT decides to dispose of land, they are required to give the Town the first right of refusal. However, the application indicates that DOT intends to sell these lands to the owner of Lots 217 & 219.

If approved, this application has the following effects:

- 1. Preservation of Hammond Park
- Facilitates the development of Lots 217 and 219 which are under common ownership. NH DOT has indicated their intention to sell the "remnant" pieces to the owner of 217 & 219, which provides frontage on Central Street as well as additional lot area.

DEPARTMENT REVIEW

The **Zoning Administrator** reviewed the application and had concerns about the lots (218-1 and 218-2) which do not show up within Town records, files, or GIS mapping. It is also unclear as to whether or not lot 218-2 is being reduced in size or not- the lot are table should include this information. In addition, the administrator states "my underlying concern is existing non-conforming lots being 'lot line adjusted' with [the] resultant of more (qty) or increased non-conforming lot with reduced area".

The **Chief Assessor** reviewed the application and also stated a concern that assessing records and tax maps to not indicate the existence of lots 218-1 or 218-2. Additional detail would be needed so that future tax maps can be accurately reflected. Additionally, assessing records indicate that lot 2018 as being owned by the Town of Hudson, not the State of New Hampshire.

This has been reviewed by Town Counsel and it is acknowledged that the Town simply did not have record of these various ROW remnants.

DRAFT MOTIONS

ACCEPT the lot line relocation application:

I move to accept the lot line relocation application 73 Central Street, Map 182 Lots 218 & 218-1.

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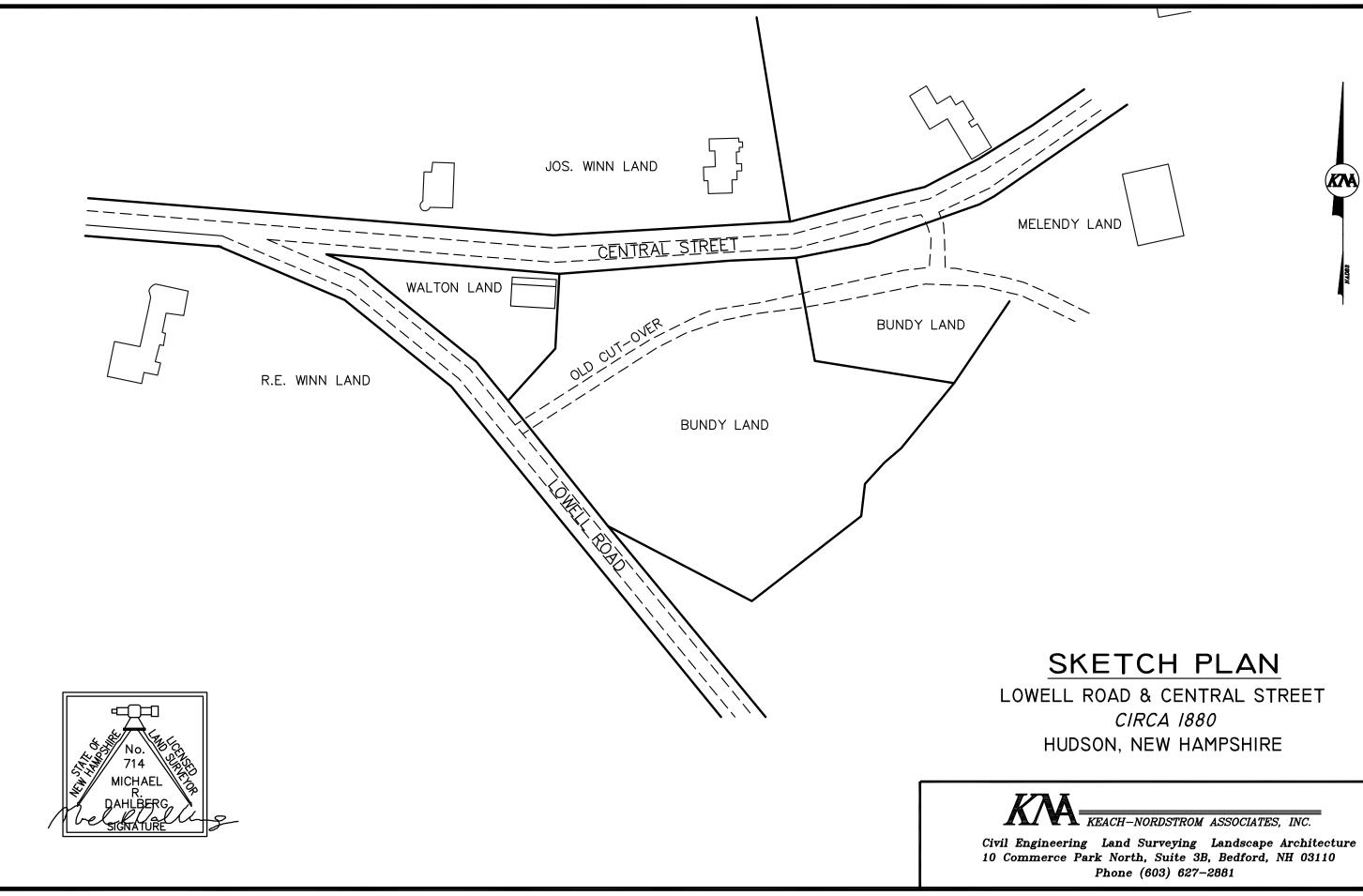
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<u>APPROVE</u> the lot line relocation application:

I move to approve the Lot Line Adjustment Plan: Lands of State of New Hampshire; prepared by: Keach-Nordstrom Associates, Inc., 10 Commerce Park North, Suite 3B, Bedford, NH 03110; prepared for: State of New Hampshire, PO Box 483, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH, 03302; consisting of 1 sheet and notes 1-11 on Sheet 1, dated August 10, 2020; subject to, and revised per, the following stipulations:

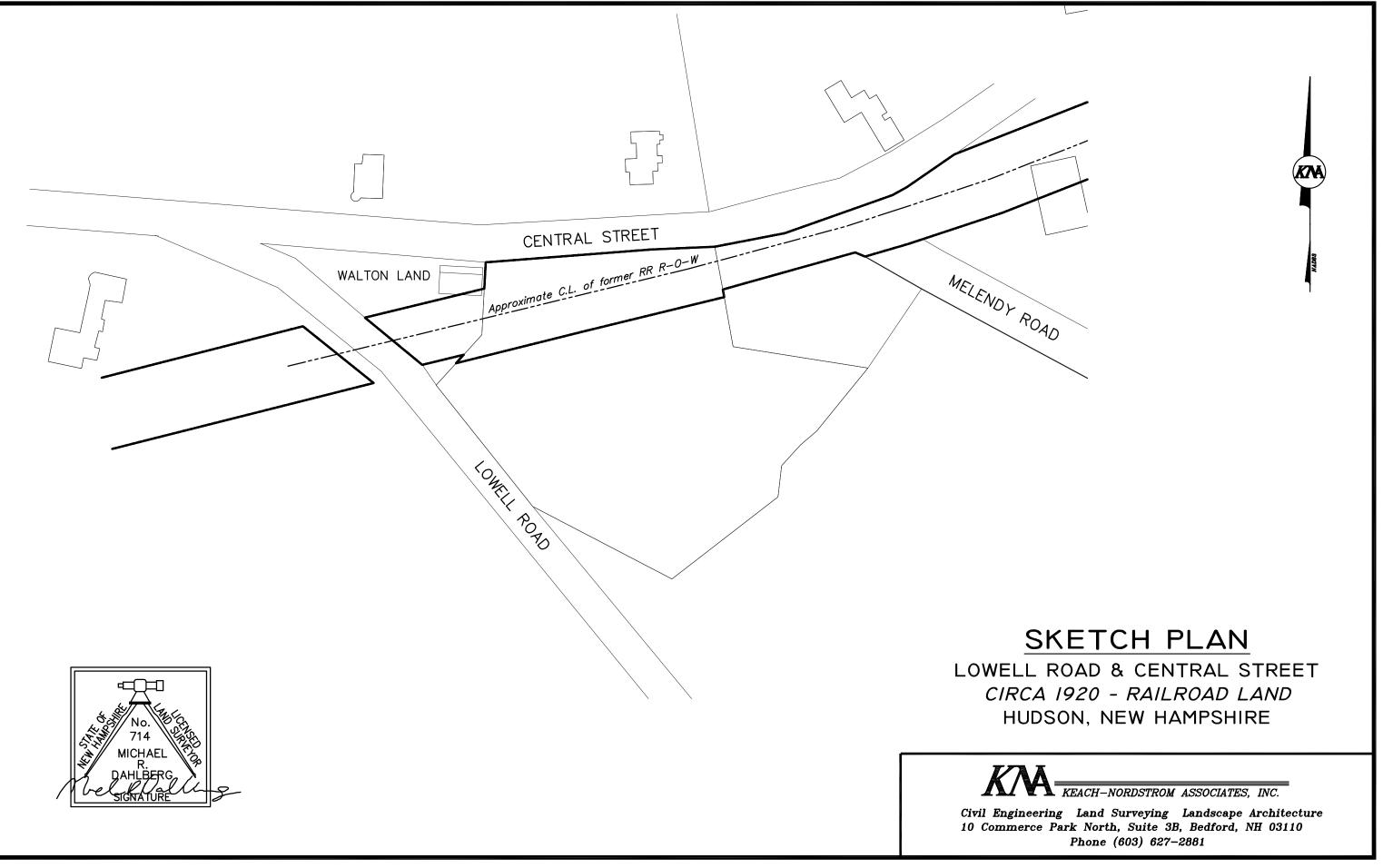
- 1. The Notice of Decision and plan shall be recorded at the HCRD.
- 2. A favorable review of the restrictive easement by Town Counsel.

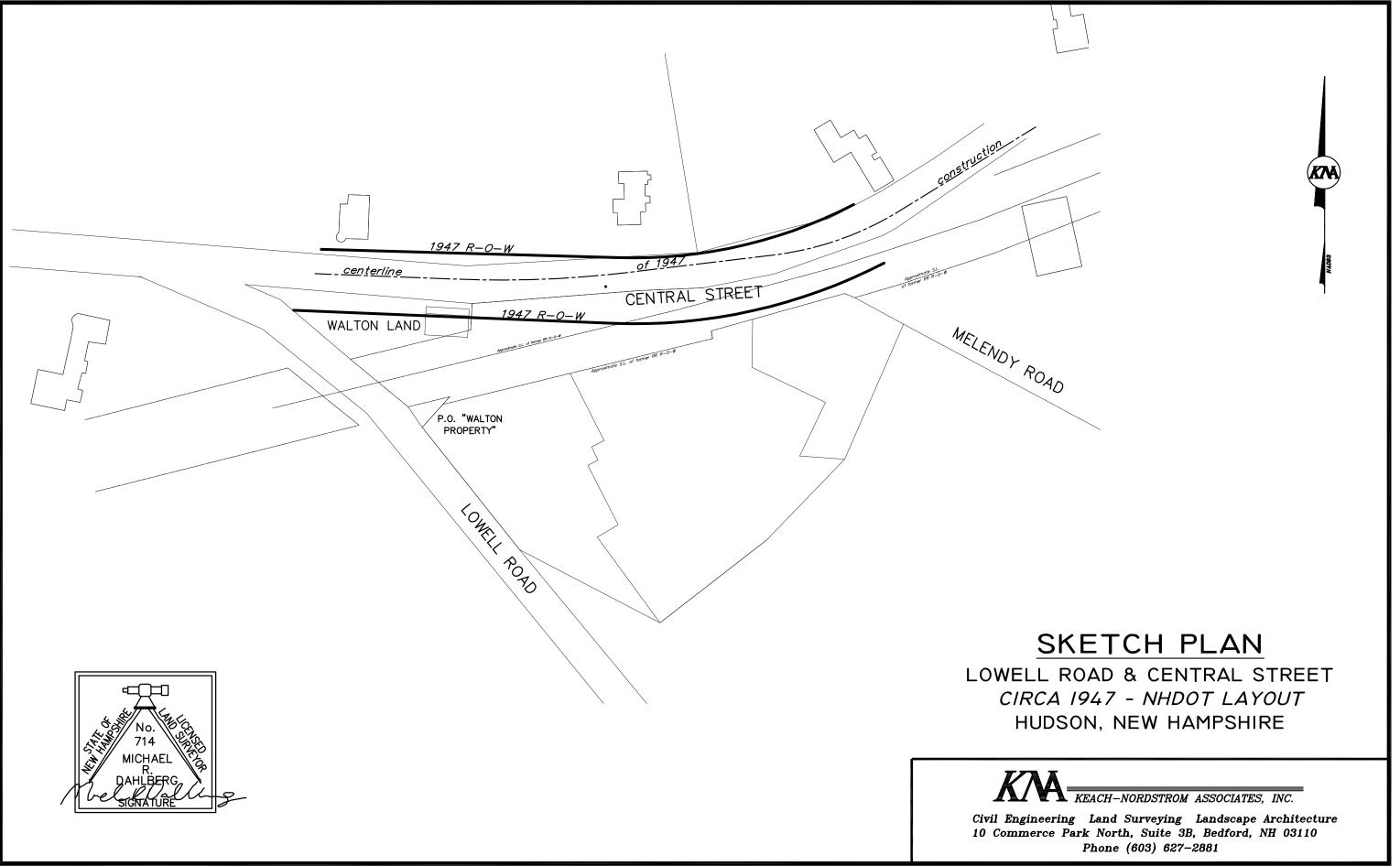
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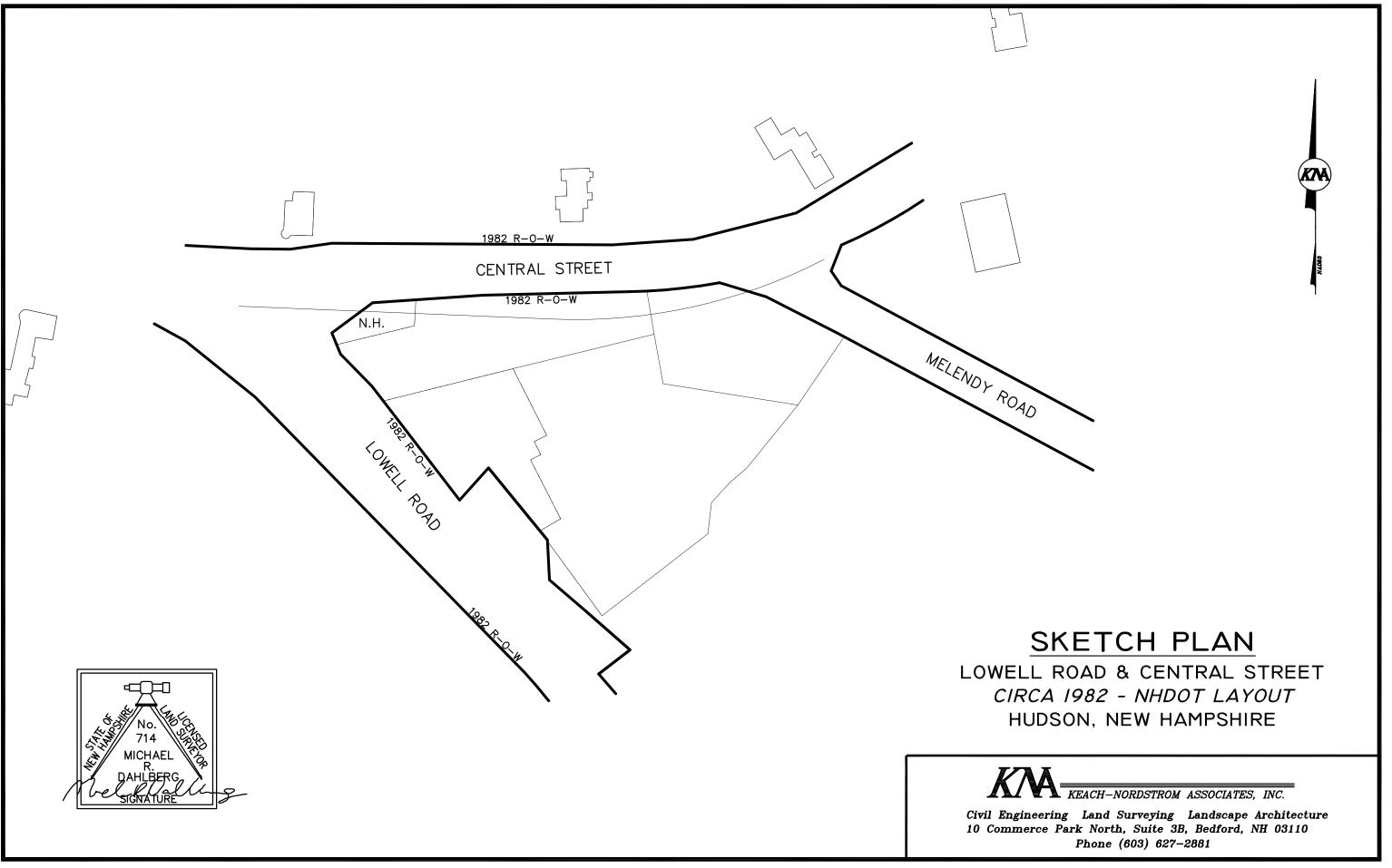


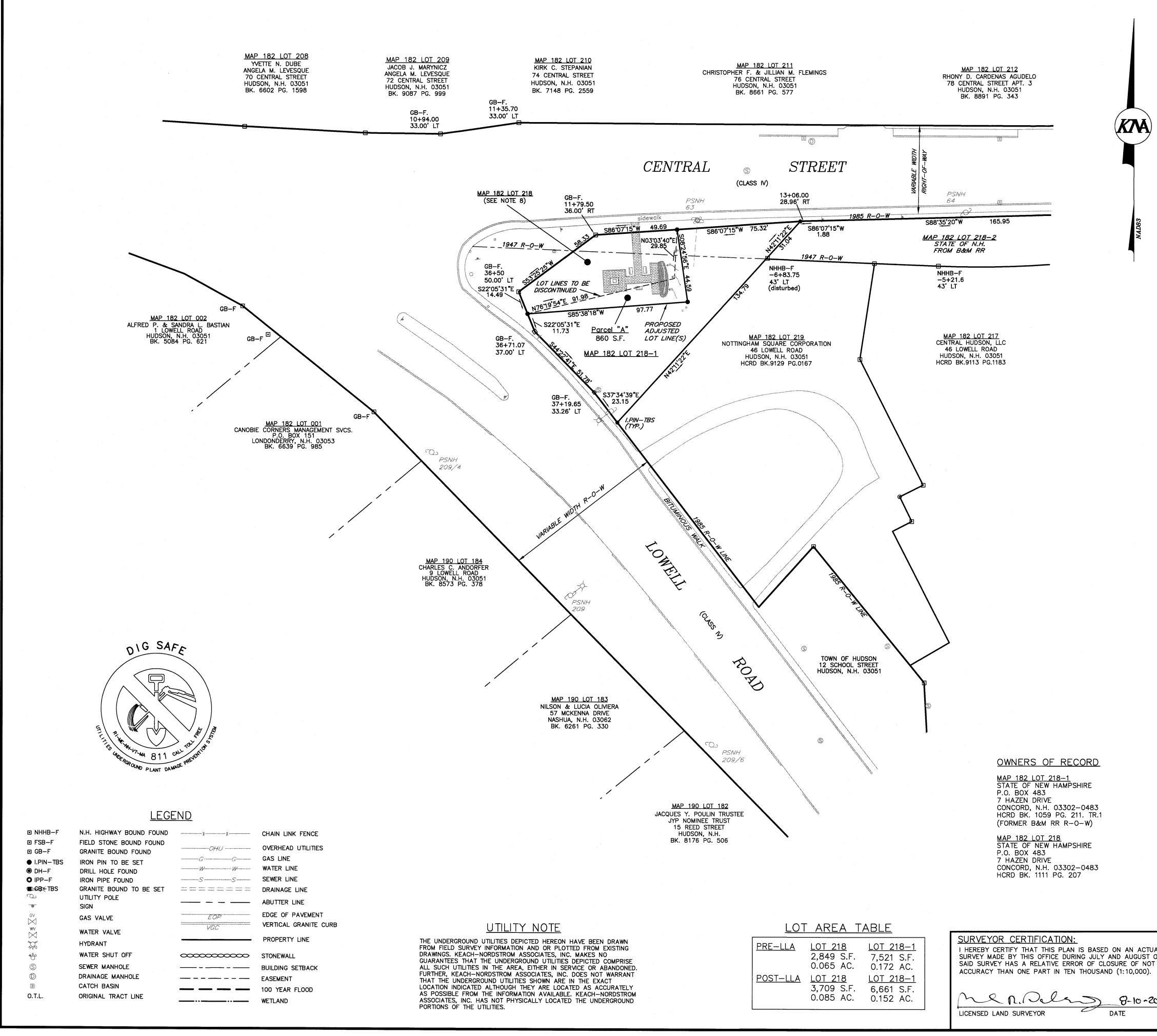


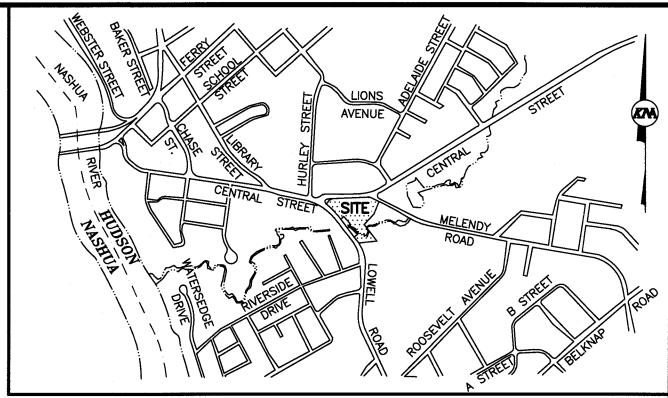
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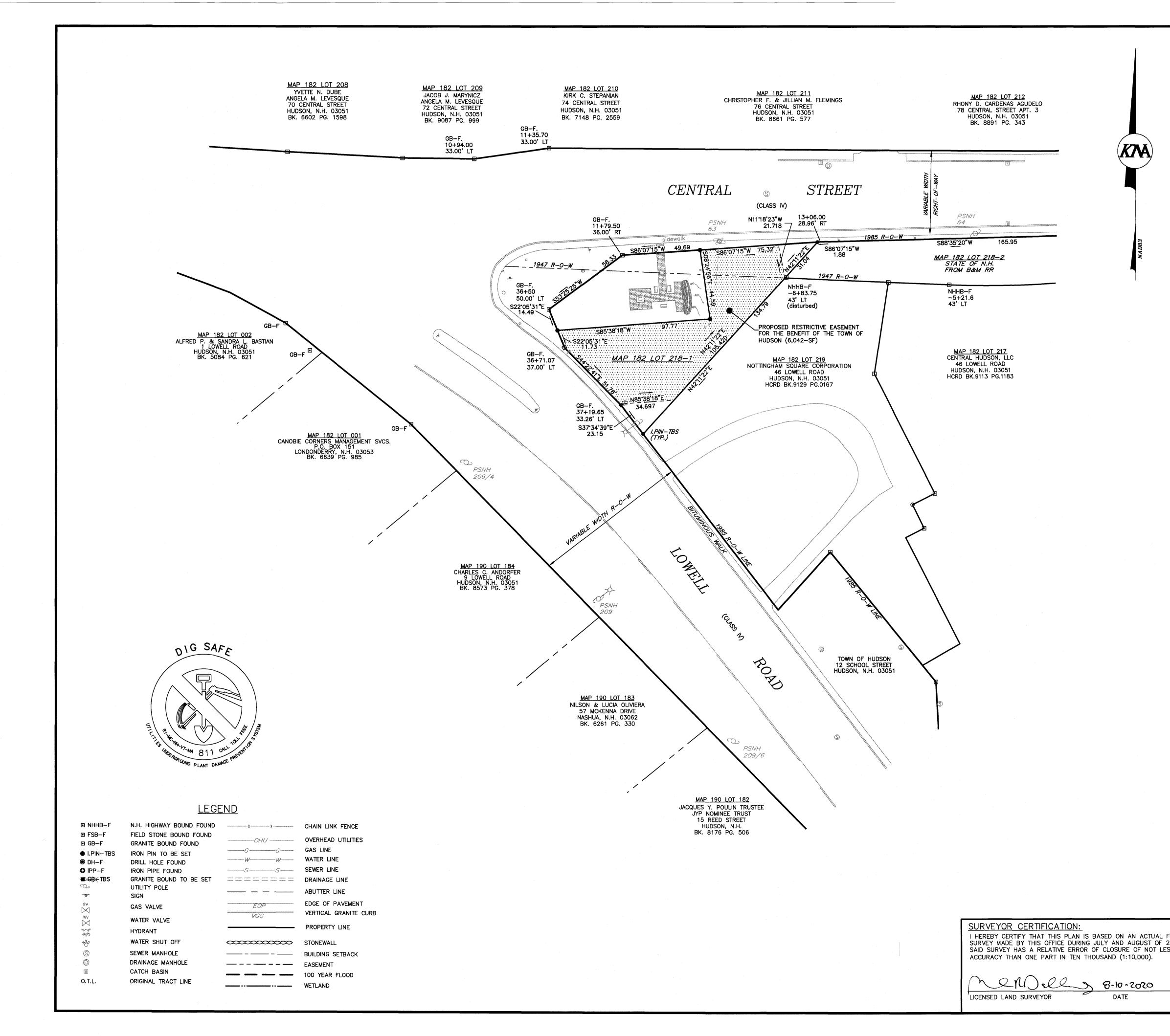
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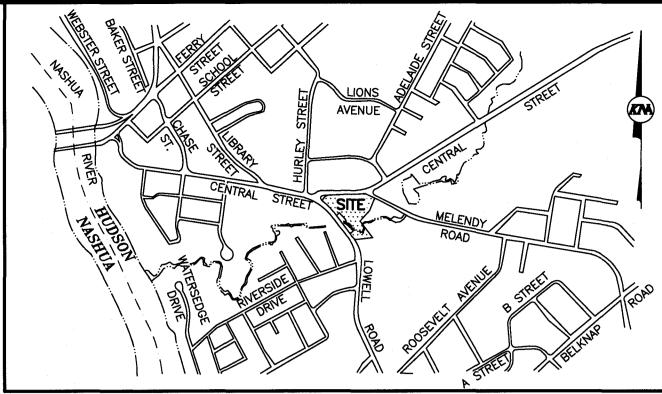
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- CONSIDERED A SEPARATE LOT.
- 3. BOUNDARY INFORMATION SHOWN HEREON IS BASED ON A FIELD SURVEY PERFORMED BY THIS OFFICE DURING JUNE THROUGH OCTOBER OF 2018. 4. HORIZONTAL DATUM IS NAD83. VERTICAL DATUM IS NAVD88 FROM GPS SURVEY
- METHODS POST PROCESSED THROUGH NOAA-OPUS. 5. EXAMINATION OF THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FLOOD
- INSURANCE RATE MAPS (FIRM) FOR THE TOWN OF HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE, HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, MAP NUMBER 33011C0518D, PANEL NUMBER 518 OF 701, EFFECTIVE DATE SEPTEMBER 25, 2009, INDICATES THAT A PORTION OF THE SUBJECT PARCEL IS LOCATED IN A ZONE A, AREA OF 1% ANNUAL CHANCE OF FLOOD WITH NO BASE FLOOD ELEVATIONS DETERMINED. 6. THE LOCATION OF ANY UNDERGROUND UTILITY INFORMATION SHOWN ON THIS PLAN IS
- APPROXIMATE. KEACH-NORDSTROM ASSOCIATES, INC. MAKES NO CLAIM TO THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF UTILITIES SHOWN. PRIOR TO ANY EXCAVATION ON SITE THE CONTRACTOR OR OWNER SHALL CONTACT DIG SAFE AT 811. 7. EASEMENTS, RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS SHOWN OR IDENTIFIED HEREON ARE THOSE
- FOUND DURING RESEARCH AT THE HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS. OTHER EASEMENTS, RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS MAY EXIST WHICH A TITLE EXAMINATION OF THE SUBJECT PREMISES MAY DETERMINE.
- 8. THE TOWN OF HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE PARTICIPATED IN THE PURCHASE OF THE "WALTON PROPERTY" IN IT'S ENTIRETY PER LETTER DATED JANUARY 27, 1947 FROM W.J. PHILLIPS, PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT. THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS WAS THE PRICE AGREED TO BY THE SELECTMEN OF HUDSON WITH THE STATE OF N.H., THE STATE OF N.H. THEN PAID THE WALTON ESTATE (MINUS BACK TAXES) A CHECK TOTALING \$224.64. A DEED WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE STATE OF N.H. IN BOOK 1111 PAGE 207. A DEED FROM THE STATE OF N.H. TO THE TOWN OF HUDSON HAS NOT BEEN FOUND ON RECORD.
- 9. PER REFERENCE PLAN #1 THE 1947 ALIGNMENT WAS STAKED-OUT AND CONSTRUCTED ALONG THE CENTERLINE INDICATED. CONFIRMATION WAS MADE PER NHDOT SURVEY FIELD BOOK #3025, PAGES 61-68, DATED 4-23-47 THROUGH 9-10-47. 10. THE RESEARCH CONTACT AT THE BUREAU OF RIGHT-OF-WAY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
- ASSISTING KNA IS MR. GREGORY SMITH. 11. A RESTRICTIVE EASEMENT ON MAP 182 LOT 218-1 WILL BE GRANTED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF HUDSON. FOR MORE INFORMATION, REFER TO "RESTRICTIVE EASEMENT PLAN, LANDS OF STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, PREPARED BY KEACH-NORDSTROM ASSOCIATES, INC. DATED AUGUST 10, 2020."

REFERENCE PLANS

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- 2. N.H. STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PLAN OF IMPROVEMENT CENTRAL STREET, HUDSON, N.H. SCALE: 1"=50', DATED: SEPTEMBER 1947. NHDOT PLAN #31229 ON FILE AT BUREAU OF RIGHT OF WAY.
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