



**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
Design Review Board  
41 Highland Avenue  
Cohasset, MA 02025**

**Meeting Minutes 9/26/17**

***Present:***

*Robert Skolnick  
Susan Hoadley  
John Cavanaro  
Martha Gjestebj  
Martha Gangemi*

**Discussion: Cunningham Bridge Railing Design**

Hoadley began discussions with a brief history of the bridge dating back to 1851, showing illustrations and providing design elements.

Each member in attendance then provided both pros and cons for each design presented. Design A-Concrete and Design B-Steel. The consensus for Option A-concrete rail was it is a sturdy structure and it was an upgrade from the present bridge design. The lack of sidewalks on both sides proved to be a design flaw. Option B-steel rail provides transparency for bikes and pedestrians, double rail acts as a safety mechanism for pedestrians, it provides a more residential feel, and the fact that the color can be chosen were all pros to this design.

Hoadley asked if the abutments under the bridge can run in an ashlar pattern vs. bond masonry. Leary will ask the question on behalf of the DRB.

In conclusion, the Board asked to highlight the following:

- The base pattern to be Ashlar pattern
- The railing and guard footing to be in a lighter color such as graphite
- The industrial guardrails at the beginning of the bridge to be replaced with the same railing and guard footing as the bridge. The end of this fencing to taper down to create a residential feel
- Include crosswalk(s) to access both sidewalks

Without a formal vote, the opinion of the Board was Option B-steel rail.