

# *Royalston Historic District Commission*

*Royalston, Massachusetts, 01368*

Date: May 17, 2001

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Patience Bundschuh, Rick Carrier, John Divoll, Brenda Putney, and Andy West, acting secretary. Bob Casinghino joined the meeting at 8:15. Dick Corser joined the meeting at 8:35. All were active voters.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 PM

## Applications

Stephen Chase submitted an application for a playhouse across the road from his house on Northeast Fitzwilliam Road. It will be positioned approximately 200 feet from the road. The rear of the structure will be partially visible from the road in the winter. The application contained two options for the design. He described the details of construction. He stated that the building would have a limited life, approximately 20 years.

Brenda Putney moved that both options in the application be accepted for consideration. Andy West seconded. The application was accepted unanimously for consideration. John Divoll made a motion to waive a public hearing because the structure is a playhouse. Brenda seconded. Mr. Chase will make a final decision on the design before the application is voted on at the next meeting.

Brenda Putney read the minutes from the March 15, 2001 meeting. Minutes were approved.

Andy West read the minutes from the special May 3, 2001 meeting. A recommendation for historic district exclusions to a cell tower bylaw amendment was discussed and given to the Planning Board.

## Old business

John Divoll mentioned that he thought that there was a street light in front of Fortunato's house. The matter will be researched. Andy said that Clarence Rabideau did a survey to count and note the placement of the streetlights.

Patience nominated Brenda Putney to be secretary. Andy West made the motion Dick Corser seconded. Approval was unanimous.

Patience mentioned the result of the town meeting vote of the bylaw. The new bylaw amendment prohibits cell towers and transmission devices in a historic district unless housed within an existing structure. It also prohibits them from within 1000 feet from the boundary of a historic district.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew J. West,  
Acting Secretary