

# Royalston Historic District Commission

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## Application for Certificate

### Instructions:

- Use separate applications for changes that are not related to each other.
- Include sketches or pictures showing design, sizes, colors, materials, etc. (a sketch is worth a thousand words).
- File five copies of the completed application at an HDC meeting; or mail, e-mail or give them to a commission member for filing at the next meeting.
- It is recommended that applicants attend the meeting or send an agent. Even well prepared applications generate questions and answering them quickly will avoid delays.
- Until the work is started, certificates expire if one year elapses or in case of sale. Once the work is started it must be completed diligently.
- If you have any questions, please contact the Commission.

Date: Aug. 18, 2021

Address of Property: 5 on the Common, Royalston, MA 01368

Owner's Name: Matthew & Teresa Vallière

Applicant's Name: Matthew Vallière

Applicant's mailing address: Street/P.O. Box: PO Box 7

City, State, Zip: Royalston, MA 01368

Please check the certificate applied for:

☒ Appropriateness

☐ Non-Applicability

☐ Hardship

Short description of the proposed changes. (Provide the details on page 2 and on additional sheets and exhibits as necessary).

This application is for a Playhouse for the children; no building permit is required, and it is to have no true foundation. It is to be 48 SF and to have similar architectural features as our actual home – proportionate wooden baseboard, frieze board, corner boards, rakes, soffits, door/window casings, and siding, all to be painted white. It is to be a 6x8' footprint, and elevations are to be 6' to the eave, 8' to the peak. The front elevation (North) will feature a 18x64" wooden door with two raised panels, to be painted the same green as our house doors; there are to be 2 steps down to ground level. Both side elevations (East and West) will feature a 27x17" wooden fixed glazed window with 6 true divided lights. The back elevation (South) will feature a 24x40" wooden 2-sash glazed window with 6 true divided lights in each sash, which was removed from our actual home. Roof is to be gray asphalt architectural shingles, similar in color to our actual home. All to sit on cinder blocks.

### For Office Use Only

Date Filed: Aug 5, 2021 Received by: Peter J. Ginn Application Number 2021-08-4

Date Accepted for consideration Aug 5, 21 Public Hearing ☐ Notices mailing date(s) Aug 25, 21

Continuation date \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Decision Approved Chairperson's signature Peter J. Ginn Date Sept 30, 2021

Comments or conditions:

## Detailed description

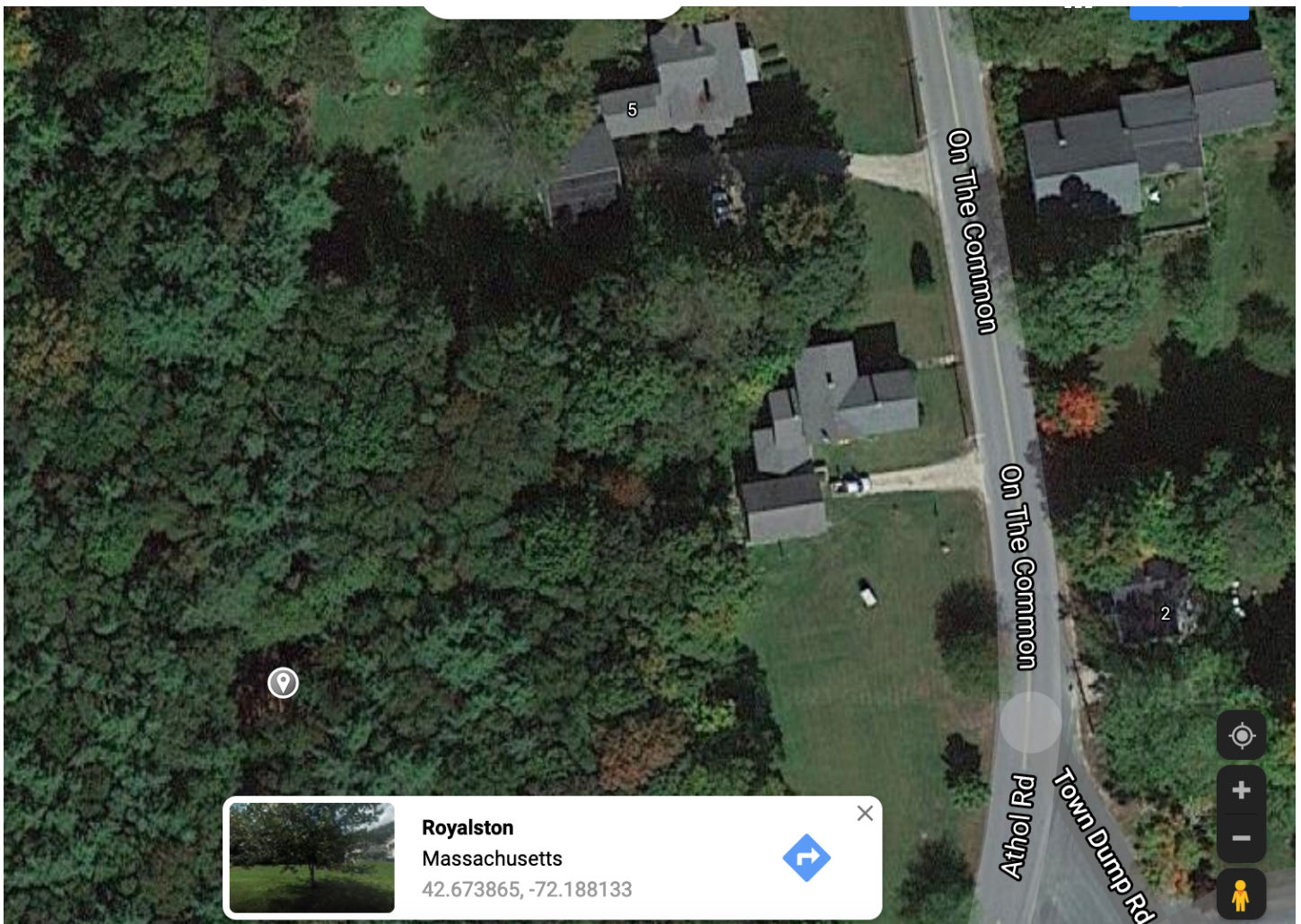
This playhouse is to be situated South West of our home (behind the Parsonage) in the forest. This location may be open to public view from vantage points that range between 300-370' from the proposed site in certain seasons and especially in the future, if we continue cleaning and thinning the forest. This location is, however, ideal for three reasons: there is a line of sight from the kitchen window for the children's safety; it is as far into the forest as we feel comfortable for the smallest children to be while being as inobtrusive as possible to the public view; much of our wooded property and back yard is very swampy for the whole Spring and whenever it rains, but this location is not; the children's swings are located nearby; and for reasons unknown, butterflies love this spot.

Thanks very much for your time and consideration.



Applicant's Signature

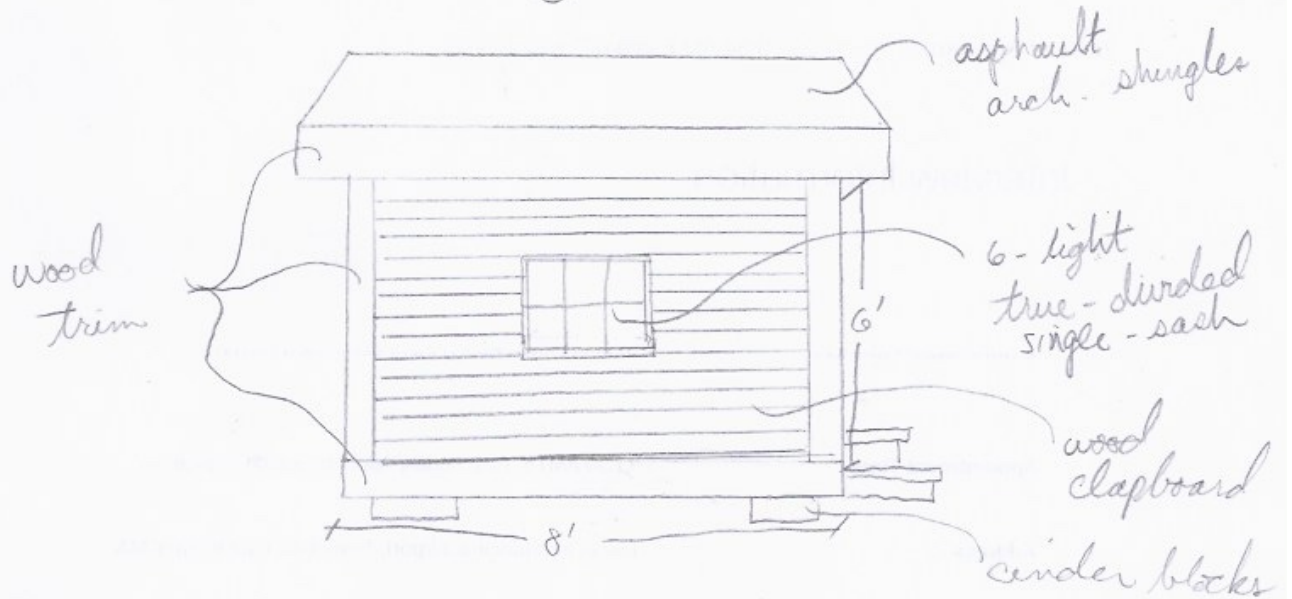
Proposed location map (gray pin):



# Detailed description

5 on the Common  
Valliere Children Playhouse

East Elevation



North Elevation

South Elevation

